

École Barrie Wilson School Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 @ 6:00pm

École Barrie Wilson School Gathering Area

Attendance: Ashley Phillips, Colette Pedde, Tara, Crystal Kozak, Kevin Shilling, Meagan Parisian, Amity Sponholz, Beena Kotak, Chantal Mangan, Lou-Anne Robertson, Amy Archambault, Kaitlyn Heaton, Cherdel Tarney

Call to Order at 6:05pm

1. Welcome and Introduction to Parent Council (What do we do here?)
 - a. Meagan reviewed the document "What is a School Council?" (Adapted from the ASCA School Council Resource Guide).
2. Approval of Previous Minutes (June 2022)

Motion: Cherdal approved the June 2022 meeting minutes and this was seconded by Crystal.
3. Approval of Agenda- Crystal requested discussion of School Newsletter
Motion: Amity motioned to approve the amended agenda, Crystal seconded the motion.
4. Executive Elections
 - a. Chair- Meagan was nominated by Crystal. Meagan accepted the nomination and no other candidates came forward. Meagan voted in as Chair.
 - b. Vice-Chair- Meagan made a motion for Crystal to be vice-chair. No other candidates. Crystal voted in as vice-chair.
 - c. Treasurer- Meagan nominated Amity for Treasurer. Amity accepted. No other nominations. Amity voted in for Treasurer.
 - d. Secretary- Meagan made a motion for Chantal Mangan to be secretary. Chantal accepted. No other candidates. Chantal voted in.
5. Welcome from the District - Trustee Buchanan
 - a. Smile cookie week is currently underway for RDPSD- \$1 for each cookie and 100% of proceeds go to support Reading College at RDP. For students finishing gr. 2 and going into gr. 3. Highest indicator for high school completion is being able to read at grade level at the end of gr. 3.
 - b. Nicole Buchanan's contact information is available on EBWS or the RDPSD website.
 - c. Amity had a question re: what was being implemented of the new curriculum. K-3: Phys Ed., Math and ELA. Collette reported that some

teachers are piloting the new curriculum for science and FLA for grades 4 and 5. Piloting the curriculum is optional for each individual school and teacher. Parents requested to know which classes/teachers are piloting some of the new curriculum, once Admin (Collette) is aware she will let parents now.

6. Introductions of all in attendance occurred.
7. Principal's Message - Colette Pedde
 - a. Enrollment is 508 (higher than was anticipated). Over 80 kindergarten students.
 - b. New staff or changes: Janice Smith, Jennifer Howitt (Gr. 2), Lindsay McPhee (Kinder), Kelly Chick (FI Kinder), Christopher (EA-Gr.4)
 - c. Has been a great start to the school year. Nice to have no major COVID protocols.
 - d. Dawe Run was today. Terry Fox run will be Friday afternoon.
 - e. Assembly will be this Friday, Sept. 23, Gr. 3E, Gr.2/3W, Gr.3 N are hosting. Parents are welcome to attend.
 - f. Staff Learning Days- 6 days are dedicated to learning the new curriculum. Ex. new phonics program (Hagerdy for kinder). Bright space- the whole district is moving over to this web platform away from Google Classroom. Hoping to move E-portfolios over to BrightSpace, as currently e-portfolios are just google slides. BrightSpace is a learner management platform, which is used at the college/university level. The target for EBWS is to transition to BrightSpace by the end of October. On the last PD Day, Adam Nemeitz, put together an hour and a half of music PD for the teachers, and this was hugely successful and enjoyed! Ashley Phillips and Mrs. Cummufoord did math PD which was very successful (dice games).
8. School Council Events/Fundraisers
 - a. Mabel's Labels- Crystal reported we should be getting our payment from them. We had 8 orders. \$74.04 was made.
 - b. Hot Lunch Program- All of the dates have been picked but 2 dates need to change due to school being out. Deadline for the first one is this Friday, Sept. 23. Projected to have \$800 come in from the first order. Meagan has currently set it at approximately 15% mark up. Most orders are around \$8. Juice boxes and snacks will be provided by the Fundraising Association, but will be ordered and paid for through Healthy Hunger.
 - i. Kevin noted that concerns were raised in June 2022 meeting minutes about high costs of Healthy Hunger and wonders if there is a way we could support/assist some families that may not be able to afford and access. Wondering if we can somehow make this

more equitable. Discussion of ideas took place, such as having other parents sponsor students/families that can't afford hot lunch. Having teachers identify students that never get a hot lunch. Further discussion to take place. And maintaining anonymity was also discussed.

- c. Christmas/Holiday Market- It's a white elephant sale. Donations are requested from parents. Then students are taken to shop for their family members. Discussion around when to have the market and if the gym could be used. December 12th and 13th are tentative dates. Potentially start collecting November 28th, depending on storage availability for donated items.
 - d. Pointsettia Fundraiser- Using Parkland Nursery again. Looking at late November.
 - e. Winter Skate Night- Has typically been in February. Date to be determined.
 - f. Canyon Ski Nights- Chantal to look into this.
 - g. Spring Fundraisers/Events- Flower baskets will occur again. Some people talked of possible coffee fundraiser, but no info available yet.
9. Other Business
10. Question was asked about possible BOKS program starting up again. Colette to follow up with staff at next meeting regarding this possibility.
11. Newsletter- The newsletter is a live document. Discussion occurred around how it's challenging for parents to remember to go back to check. Colette suggested she would send a remind if a change or addition is made to the Live Newsletter. Parents were happy with that.
12. P5 Bus Route- Can they do anything to make it more on time? Students are late for school everyday. There has been sub bus drivers and therefore they are still learning the route. Parent concerned that her daughter was dropped off 30 mins late and she never received a notification until after the child was home. Collette is in communication with Scott who is liaison with Prairie Bus Line. Parents encouraged to contact Prairie Bus Line with their concerns.
13. Meeting Times- Presently meetings are the 3rd tuesday of the month. Discussion around when other school councils meetings are held to try and avoid conflicts. Meagan to connect with other schools regarding same.

Next meeting will be Monday, Oct 17, 2022 at 6pm in the EBWS Staff Room. It will be a hybrid meeting (in person and online).

Adjourned at 7:38pm

Barrie Wilson Parent Fundraising Association Meeting Held after School Council Meeting

Call to Order at 7:39 pm

1. Approval of Previous Minutes (June 2022)
*Motion: Chantal made a motion to accept the June 2022 minutes.
Crystal seconded.*
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion: Chantal made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Lou-Anne.
3. Executive Elections
 - a. Chair- Chantal made a motion for Meagan to be Chair. Meagan accepted. No other nominations. She was voted in.
 - b. Vice-Chair- Meagan made a motion for Crystal to be Vice-Chair. Crystal accepted. No other nominations. Crystal was voted in.
 - c. Treasurer- Meagan made a motion for Amity to be Treasurer. No other nominations. Amity was not present but had said during parent council meeting she would accept if voted in.
 - d. Secretary- Meagan nominated Chantal to be secretary. Chantal accepted. Chantal was voted in.
4. 2021/2022 Financial Report- We will have to pay for liability insurance. Discussion around looking into the high cost of insurance and what other FRA are paying for insurance. We pay for quickbooks annually. Please see attached financial report. We currently have \$5523.21
5. 2023 Casino (Q1)- No specific plan for the funds but will be used for school needs as per AGLC requirements. Ex. An artist in residency program, possibly new laptops/chromebooks. Casino will be in Jan, Feb or March.
6. Treasurer's Report- As above.
7. Funding Requests- Meagan made a motion to allocate \$300 for bags and tissue paper for the Christmas Market. Lou-Anne seconded the motion.
8. Other Business- Some discussion around "Fund Scrip"-gift cards.Or other fundraiser ideas (50/50, silent auction, etc).

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