Beddington Heights School Parent Council Meeting October 1, 2024

Present: Brooklyn Shill Jennifer Razzo Stefanie Steele

Anna Nekola Stephen Ross Ellyse Lambie
Korin Peacock Caroline Stuart Rachelle Skilling
Ziba Vahedi Nicole Lamboo Aundy Thillmann

Rachael Tipper

Regrets: none

Parents: Taylor Roe Angell Elise Adkins Natalie Gamache

Christine

Acknowledgement of the Land: Steve Ross

Introductions

Additions to Agenda:

None

Bouquets:

• From Mr. Ross: Thanks to Parent Council for Learning Commons Furniture

Adoption of Minutes: June 4, 2024

Brooklyn ShillEllyse Lambie

Meeting called to order at 6:43p

Principal Report: Stephen Ross

• Thanks to everyone joining tonight - 16 attendees, unusually large turnout

Looking Back

- Large Kindergarten class sizes 25/30
 - Plan to split Kindergarten classes into 3
 - Ms. Wells to join class
- Class Size Update
 - Straight grades this year
 - o Down a Grade 6 class
 - Down 1 lunchroom staff, no funding to replace
- Introducing Rachael Tipper as Assistant Principal
- Celebrations of Learning Updates

- Each grade will have own afternoon and evening concert and celebration
- Gym Flooring Update
 - Humidity causing longer than expected time to cure
 - Mid to late October projected completion
 - o Ready for Halloween Dance?
 - Tentative date October 24

Volunteer Requests

- School Photos October 15
 - o Two volunteers requested
 - Stefanie and Taylor volunteered

Funding Requests

- Mr Barry- Projector: \$1200
- Mr Quigley- Grade 5 Natural Learning Field Trip Bussing to Fish Creek Park:
 \$283.50

Assistant Principal Report: Rachael Tipper

Looking Forward:

- School-wide focus
 - o University of Florida Literacy Institute
 - Helping teachers utilize this tool to build foundational decoding skills K-6 in full class and targeted instruction
 - Research and evidence based program
 - Assessments completed, working on strategies to support particular students
 - MathUp
 - CASEL Framework
 - Social and emotional framework for wellbeing
 - Emphasizing kindness
 - Home-use resources for parents: https://ufli.education.ufl.edu/foundations/toolbox/
 - Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra
 - Kindergarten trip canceled due to large class size
 - Date changed from May 15 to May 13, scheduling issues

Chairperson Report: Jennifer Razzo

- None
- Discussion of school swag and mascot, logo revision, gym floor design
- Discussion of playground update
 - Taylor and Christine want to start committee in favor of new playground

Vice Chairperson Report: Stefanie Steele

none

Fundraising Report: Caroline Stuart, Ziba Vahedi

none

Special Events Report: Stef Steele, Aundy Thillmann

none

Kindergarten Report: Natalie Gamache

• Natalie and Natalie teaming up as Kindergarten Reps this year

Charity Report: vacant position -

- Jacket Racket upcoming
 - o Email Rachael Tipper if any volunteers for Jacket Racket

Fun Lunch Report: Rachelle Skilling -

- More volunteers to deliver different locations (4)
- October 24: Tim Horton's
- December 12: Coco Brooks

Popcorn Sales:

- Manage sales through Healthy Hunger in attempt to bypass difficulties encountered in past year.
- No volunteers needed from Parent Council if managed by HH

Volunteer Coordinator Report: Anna Nekola

- September 25-26 Book Fair
- October 24 Fun Lunch Tim Horton's
- October 15 School Photos covered

Underwhelming response for first call for volunteers, hoping to recruit more.

Community Rep Report: Korin Peacock

- Beddington Heights Community Centre AGM: November 19, 2024
 - Volunteer Recruitment
 - o Pizza and wine offered
- Closer to Home Family Game Night
 - 5-7p Monthly
 - https://closertohome.com/programs/?who=children,youth,babies-todd lers
- Beddington Theatre: Diary of a Wimpy Kid
 - o October 11 November 4 Tickets going fast!

Key Communicators Report: Ellyse Lambie

Need to update current council member contacts

Casino Report: Aundy Thillmann

• Will send email at end of the month regarding next casino, update next meeting

Grade 6 Farewell Report: open position

Additions to Agenda:

none

New Business: none

Motion to Adjourn: Stefanie Steele, Aundy Thillmann

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:51

Next Meeting: November 5, 2024 at 6:30