

## **Bells Corners Public School Council Meeting Minutes**

**DATE:** Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023 6:30pm (Virtual/In Person Hybrid Meeting)

Present: Sadhana Lad, Marianne Tilton, Elysa Esposito, Troy Baker, Paisley Fleming, Marc Reside, Destinee Quick, Erin Carter Green, Sandra, Amy Cameron, Dina Elsayed, Tracy Dannell

Meeting called to order by Sandra at 6:40pm

### **Approval of Agenda**

Moved: Troy

Seconded: Erin

Passed with all in favour.

### **Approval of previous Minutes**

Moved: Troy

Seconded: Erin

Passed with all in favour.

### **Principal's Report - Sadhana Lad**

April has proven to be a month of preparation for our BCPS students. Students were working on BCPS Art Gallery ideas for education week and where student art will be on display in our gym. Parents are invited to attend one or both of our monthly assemblies: **Kindergarten & Primary students @ 12:15 pm / Junior students @ 1:15 pm.;**

- The Kindergarten team will raffle off some great themed baskets to raise funds for their upcoming field trip to the Mādahōki Farm in June;
- It's a BCPS Spirit Day!!! Bulldogs and visitors are encouraged to wear our Bulldog colour red and/or Bulldog wear.
- The theme for **Education Week May 1-5** is an opportunity to recognize the importance of public education in Ontario and to celebrate the learning and achievements of our students, staff members, and school communities. This year's theme, Education for a Brighter Future, celebrates how current and future educational opportunities are helping to create a brighter future not just for students, but for all. BCPS is honouring our commitment building relationships and celebrating student achievement. Our BCPS theme is "Every child blooms..not on the same day and not in the same way".

We recently resumed our annual Scholastic Book Fair and the total needs to be verified by Leslie but it looks like we grossed over 4000.00. Carole our librarian will have a more accurate total regarding what portion we can use for our library. A big thank you goes out to the volunteers that supported and stayed well past 6pm to manage the overall operations of the book fair.

We have soccer for grades 4, 5, 6

Orienteering

Swim to Survive

We would like to plan a volunteer Tea - in the morning 8 - 8:45 am - date TBD

- Last year Parent Council hosted a Teacher Appreciation event. Will that happen this year?

## Teacher Report - Marianne Tilton

- Nothing new to report. Principal's Report covers everything.

## Treasurer's Report

Statement April 2023: Not yet received

Account Balance as of 02 May 2023: \$23,542.57\*

\*approximate - need statement to reconcile cheques

Outstanding cheques as of 02 May 2023: TBD

Cash on hand: Nil

Notes:

- Winter term pizza fundraising profit **\$1338.08**
- Waiting for money for Spring pizza order to deposit
- Waiting on cheque for Little Caesars fundraiser - **\$492** raised (to confirm)
- Butterfly garden costs increased to \$178 from \$60 – does council approve?
  - Council approves the increase
- Scientist in the School - \$2300 was set aside, but balance on receipts is \$1880
  - Confirm with Sadhana - cheque to school?
  - Can shift remaining funds to teacher “wish-list”
- Approximate \$1500 for teacher “wish-list”
- \$490 remains set aside for field trip busses



# be our treasurer



\* Accounting degree not required. Side effects of being our treasurer may include: rediscovering a long-lost love of math, enjoying the zen of rolling coins, and feeling excited when you play the "Was that cheque cashed?" game with the monthly bank statement.

## Matters for Discussion

- Little Ceasers recap/call for volunteers – Amy
  - Raised \$492
  - Next year note: they charge \$50 for delivery of the kits
  - Distributing the kits on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 4PM to 6PM
- Allocation of funds for sports equipment
  - Part of the “wish list” in the Treasury Report
- PRO grant spending
  - Our garden maintainer has reached out to the school co-ordinate on how the PRO grant will be spent
  - Garden maintainer indicated that we need to renew the soil in the front gardens
    - Soil will be ordered
- End of year BBQ and Auction update/delegation
  - Reminder of scheduled date: June 16<sup>th</sup>, 4-6PM
  - Royce and Les have agreed to man the BBQ station
  - Need to discuss logistics and delegation
  - Will put out a call for volunteers (including HS students)
  - Looking to get the Halal burgers from Costco Business
  - Scouts are going to come and set up an activity
  - Are we doing the fishpond?
    - Need prizes
      - Ring Pops?
      - Stickers?
      - Tattoos?
      - Glow Sticks?
      - Will check for bulk small items between now and next meeting
  - Ice Cream Bars or Freezies?
    - Freezies seem like a better choice, and the school has excess
  - We don't have anyone who has the right skillset to run Face Painting; instead we will provide a station for putting on temporary tattoos w/ sponges
  - Music will be set up
  - Signage from previous BBQs are available
- Auction
  - Need to decide whether we can go forward with this
    - Currently only Troy and Sandra are available
    - Destinee can pick up anything that needs to be picked up
  - We will reach out to businesses looking for donations to the auction
    - Depending on the outcomes, we can decide on what should be auctioned using the 32auctions service, or as raffle prizes at the End of Year BBQ

## Other Items

## Announcements (next meeting)



Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 6th, 2023 - 6:30pm (In-Person/Hybrid)

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm