

**Bradner Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council**

Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2022

In Attendance:

Tamara Arden, Aksana Zhuk, Danica Neufeldt, Mande Hengeveld, Diana Madden, Grace Janzen, Elyse Schroeder, Kori Wall, Elva Lottenbach, MelissaYeomans, Samantha Brezden, Jocelyn Radom, Jen Cowan, Galen Soon

May Minutes

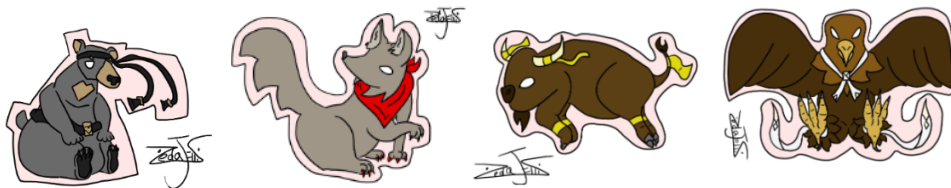
- Motion to accept May's minutes made by Melissa, 2nd by Jen, all in favour

Principal's Report

1. Staffing Updates:

- Mr. Soon has been appointed Principal of Upper Sumas Elementary School effective August 1, 2022. Mrs. Kam Sidhu will be the incoming Principal effective August 1st. Mrs. Sidhu is currently serving as an Acting Principal at Dave Kandal Elementary School.
- 2022-2023 (4 divisions) - same as this year.
- English Language Learner (ELL) supports are being centralized at the district level for schools that currently have less than .3 FTE. Mrs. Thurmer who currently works as our Learning Support Services .5 (LSS) and English Language Learning Teacher .1 has decided to seek opportunities elsewhere in our district. A teacher will be hired sometime soon for the .5 LSS position at Bradner.
- Mrs. Goerzen (Div.2) teacher will be leaving us at the end of the year. The teacher who will be replacing Mrs. Goerzen from September to December is TBD. January 1, 2023 and onwards it will be Ms. Allison Howard. Mrs. Anderson (library tech) will be leaving and Tiffany Smith will be coming every 2nd Tuesday starting in the fall.

2. New House Teams Selected: Wolf (white), Eagle (yellow), Bear (black), and Buffalo (red). There was a District Wide Art contest for all Indigenous students to form artwork for new house teams. We received several submissions from students in our district. After collaborating with our Indigenous Support Worker (Ms. Nadine Kitchekeesik) we have selected artwork designed by Zeda Ellis, an Indigenous student at AVS to be the face of our new house teams. Please see images below.



3. *Outdoor Play Space Updates*- Our Facilities team approved the use of another prime contractor to complete the prep work for the playground. A contract has been signed with DMC contracting for the playground prep (\$2100), and with Habitat for the playground installation (\$14,715.23)-total is: \$16,815.23 (not inclusive of Engineered Wood Fibre)-requesting that the PAC provide funding for this. According to Dan at DMC contracting, he has a lead to have the fibre blown in at cost \$2692.40. Total cost of the project is \$19507.63. The school can contribute \$5000.00 towards this project.
4. Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) Survey Results: Grade 5 students
5. [Ned's Mission Mindset Virtual Presentation](#) on Thursday, May 12th (whole school) support with student's understanding on a growth mindset and the Power of Yet. Students heard key messages of: Never give up (N), Encourage Others (E), and Do your best (D).
6. **Class and School Photos-Monday, May 16th - ordering information has not been received yet from the photographer.**
7. Flip City School Wide Field Trip-Wednesday, May 18th. A huge thank you to the PAC for providing funding support for this opportunity.
8. May Day Pole Dancing Club- thank you to Mrs. Yeomans and Mrs. Schroeder for providing this opportunity to our students- approximately 2 dozen students participated in this opportunity and did a great job performing at May Day.
9. Run For Water-May 25th – We had a freezie sale and “Break the Rules” day to serve as fundraisers for this opportunity. The freezie sales and Break the Rules Day raised over \$524 - enough money to provide fresh, clean drinking water for life for 15 people. Special thank you to Mrs. Thurmer for putting together this opportunity.
10. Last set of emergency drills - Thursday, May 26th. We had Constable Dyck on hand and completed our final set of emergency drills: shelter-in-place, lockdown, earthquake, and fire drill and mustered to our secondary site (park off Haverman Rd.). We were able to evacuate the building, walk to our secondary site, and complete attendance in 5 minutes and 25 seconds.
11. Pond Peekers Field Trip - Aldergrove Regional Park- Div. 4, Div. 2 will be taking their learning outside for the day as well.
12. Wednesday, June 8th - West Rural Schools District Track Meet (Grade 4/5s) at Rotary.
13. Mr. Soon had a brunch with some kids to survey which items/services the kids would like to keep and what they would like to lose. Kindergarten students wanted to lose the swings and get a trampoline, a bay-blade station. Primary students wanted to get rid of the no toys rule and they wanted a basketball court. Grade 4/5 students would like a buddy bench. They like fruit salad Fridays in gaga pit, pizza Fridays and movie nights.

14. Wednesday, June 8th - WildSafe B.C. came to Bradner to provide learning opportunities for students in Div. 2, 3, and 4 on how to prevent conflict with wildlife and to stay safe outdoors-visit the following link for more info: <https://wildsafebc.com/wrp/>
15. Thank you to the PAC for the staff appreciation luncheon today!
16. Parent Appreciation Event-Wednesday, June 15th (school gym) at 2:00 p.m. The survey link is now functional. We have 28 parents who have RSVPd so far. To RSVP parents can visit the following link by the end of today:
https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=yaUPiyznUiwooCg_tI3PLlfz97IxiREsjLVePFJ1ndURFJEVFRWV0FYVzBLUEQzU1JCQ0k2UDgyTy4u
17. School Sports Day-Friday, June 17th. The day will start off with a bike parades (helmets mandatory), more info to follow but asking for support from PAC to have hot dog lunches/candy station? More info to follow.
18. Otter Credit Union-School Wide Field Trip- Tuesday, June 21st. We should be returning back on site to Bradner by 1:30 p.m. Would PAC be interested in providing a hot dog lunch and juice box for this day?
19. Pancake Breakfast- Tuesday, June 28th. Our school community will be having a pancake breakfast for our students and parents on this day. We have special guest pancake flippers who will be on site including: our school trustee (Shirley Wilson), Eugene Reimer Principal (Ian Levings), School liaison officer (Constable Marcus Dyck), and a Fraser Valley Librarian. Families can RSVP by completing the following survey:
<https://forms.office.com/r/aBwvZnsRiF>
We have 63 people who have indicated they will attend- this is in addition to our students/staff.
20. Year End Assembly, Awards, and Grade 5 graduation ceremony- Wednesday, June 29th
Time: 1-2 p.m. (Gym)
 - PAC funding request: to fund helium for year-end event, we have purchased a display set and think we may need two containers of helium for them. Canadian Tire sells helium containers \$135.00 for two.

Treasurer's Report

- May day - \$1200 in donations, \$380 from vendors, over \$800 in sales for pancake breakfast, but over \$400 in expenses – made just over \$300, concession made just under \$1100, bake sale was about \$400. There were a lot of expenses – flaggers, special event permit, school rental, rides – over \$7000. We made about \$4000 after expenses.
- We have \$27,000 (approx.) in our chequing account, over \$1000 in gaming, and \$5500 in May day account
- Kori has applied for the gaming grant

DPAC Meeting

- Nothing to report – no meeting in May.

Immediate Funding Opportunities and Voting

- Meet the teacher barbecue and coffee and snacks for first day of school – Motion to provide up to \$350 to pay for food for the meet the teacher barbecue in September and for donuts and coffee for the first day of school made by Tamara, 2nd by Samantha – majority in favor; motion passed. Date is Thursday Sept. 22 – 5pm - 6pm
- Reading Prizes - Motion to provide up to \$300 to pay for reading prizes made by Melissa, 2nd by Tamara – majority in favor; motion passed.
- Terry Fox Run – Motion to provide up to \$100 for Terry Fox Refreshments in September made by Samantha, 2nd by Tamara, all in favor, motion passed. Friday September 23rd – 2:15.
- Helium – Motion to provide \$135 for helium for the year-end assembly/grad made by Tamara, 2nd by Samantha, all in favor, motion passed
- Outdoor play space – Motion to provide up to an additional \$5000 for the outdoor play space (beyond the original \$10,000 previously voted for), made by Kori, 2nd by Tamara, all in favor, motion passed
- Hose – motion to provide up to \$100 to purchase a hose, made by Tamara, 2nd by Melissa, all in favor, motion passed.
- Leaving staff – Motion to provide up to \$300 to buy gifts for departing staff, made by Melissa, 2nd by Kori, all in favor, motion passed
- Motion to provide \$100 to purchase hot dogs for the waterpark hot lunch, made by Tamara, 2nd by Kori, all in favor, motion passed.

PAC executive election – all positions are open

- 1) DPAC Rep – Mike Luzia
- 2) Secretary – Tamara Arden, assisted by Elyse Schroeder
- 3) Treasurer/website – Kori Wall, shadowed by Elva Lottenbach
- 4) Vice President – Jen Cowan
- 5) President – Samantha Brezden, shadowed by Jocelyn Radom
- 6) Hot lunch/volunteer coordinator – Melissa Yeomans, shadowed by Grace Janzen (popcorn), Jocelyn Radom (hot lunch), Diana Madden (May day)

All positions were won by acclamation. Motion to accept the filled positions made by Elise, 2nd by Samantha, all in favor, motion passed

Other Business

- May Day and Raffle update and overview – we did not make what we wanted to this time – around \$4300. People requested a longer period of time for raffle ticket selling. We should start looking for donations in January and we need to get more parents involved. We do May Day for tradition and to sponsor a community event. The kids loved it. We may need to consider returning it to Victoria day. We have a volunteer for a May Day facebook page for next year. Buy the farm game made \$250. Sam suggested a May Day executive meeting in the summer. The raffle should be pulled after Mayday (not the day of). We talked about pre-purchasing ride tickets.
- Outdoor play space update – voted on \$5000. The play space will be constructed/installed in August.

- Waterpark day barbecue – we have some hotdogs, lots of chips, and we have juice boxes from the emergency kits. Kori will purchase extra items that are needed and will facilitate the lunch.
- Sports Day- will be run as a hot lunch (Subway). We will do donuts, muffins, candy bags. Jocelyn can get muffins and donuts.
- We voted for a pizza lunch for sports/may day dancing participants. The school can order and the Pac can reimburse for the cost.
- Ladies flower night fundraiser – Samantha is checking with Amanda for a date in September.
- Summer Meeting – we will have one in August. Date to be determined.
- Discussion about school board decision to decline several out of catchment requests for returning families – Mr. Soon said that there is an administrative procedure about out of catchment requests – we do have space but enrollment is tight in the grade 4/5 split. There is room in the k/1 split. Three families have been impacted – two are out of district and one is out of catchment. A new family has moved in and has kids in grade 4/5. The priority is for catchment kids. However, three families are likely moving on, so there will likely be room for the out of catchment kids. Mr. Soon will enquire about being an over flow school and international students so we can keep our numbers up.
- We need volunteers for summer watering

Meeting was adjourned at 11:04am

Next meeting is Friday September 9th at 9:15am