



1. Welcome & Introductions

Jennifer Busko, Angela Woodley, Heather Dubrick, Margo McKee King, Monica Pyear, Jacob Bretz, Charlotte Hopkins, Ryan Day, Sarah Baxter, Jenn Harezlak, Toni Peter & Jessica Baptie

2. Review of May 2021 Minutes & Agenda

-Minutes passed

3. Appreciations:

-Thanks to all of the teachers and staff for teaching our kids during these circumstances and going the distance

-Thanks to all of the families supporting at home and helping with the learning program

-Thanks to Ryan Day for coming into the School half-way through and dealing with so many challenges seamlessly, we are very excited for next year and to have you at BPS.

-Thanks to everyone involved with making a staff appreciation day happen, from coordinating the school day message, to all the parents who sent their kids' teachers an email, to coordinating the gifts, nametags and drop off.

-Thanks to the anonymous donor for covering the Baden Coffee gifts

- Thanks to Ryan Day for coordinating all of the in person goodbyes for Staff and Students

-Thanks to Charlotte for all of your years and time on Parent Council, you will be missed

-Thanks Sarah for taking over the treasury position!

4. Principal's Report:

-Final numbers are now in for in class and remote learning, which should be pretty stable barring new students moving into/out of neighborhood. 12 Students for remote learning and 573 for in person learning

- Staffing is still in progress, some positions will not be posted until August, LTOs etc

-Class building by Mr. and Mrs. B to finalize class placements and will be completed in August. Once complete, the class lists will be posted on School Day.

-Staff have been keeping online learning interesting for the last push, bringing in speakers, virtual tours etc and a big shout out to all of the teachers who have been putting in extra effort to keep it exciting.

-Grade 5 class outdoor education presented on Monarch butterflies. This prompted a letter to get a Monarch butterfly garden installed on school property which is covered by the Board. An area was picked out to be the waystation and BPS is now on the list to receive one.

-Welcome to Kindergarten night is scheduled for Thursday with all of the bags picked up

-Grad Scheduled for June 22nd 7pm with a pre-recorded message created by the staff and students.

-Apologize for confusion about Staff Appreciation funding.

-Parent Council procedures and admin rules pertaining to parent council to be prepared for September meeting

-Grad info to be recommunicated prior to event.

5. Teacher Staff Update/Student Report

-I am doing homemade instruments with the kids and we are having jam sessions and creating "soundscapes" in groups. Also, learning about Indigenous experiences through music (M'we Jinan Artists organization).

-Next week on Wednesday, Scientists In Schools are coming online to do an Energy workshop for grade ones. Students are really excited to have a "science mini-kit" for this hands-on workshop! We also have an outdoor ed presentation this Friday about insects and a visitor from the Regional Library about the Summer Reading Club!

-K1 has been doing a fabulous job online! We want to thank all the parents who have been SO flexible and supportive throughout this year. We have been participating in some online field trips in K1. We "visited" a sheep farm, Pinery Provincial Park, and we went on walks into the woods along the Strausburg Creek. Miss Mangal and Mrs. Green put together a virtual field trip for K1 at the Huron Natural Area. Our friends learned about Wetland Conservation and saving the turtles. We were especially excited to see a beaver! Many of our friends have visited the Huron Natural Area since the trip to explore and play.

-Students have been creating "petit livre" in French class. Students are asked to bring their good copies back to school at the end of the year so students in younger grades can read them next year (or save them until September).

-Many classes have been taking part in a variety of Virtual 'Field Trips', including many classes this month who are having a presentation from Chris Chittick - who is part of team 'Tornado Hunter'. It is the only professional storm chasing team in Canada. His show aired on Netflix, CMT and Dtour called "Tornado Hunters". He has also been on the show "Storm Chasers" which aired on Discovery Channel for 5 years.

-K3 had a virtual visit from "Nature Nate" (Nathan Mantey) from Blair conservation area. He did a puppet show for the children focusing on spring animals (leopard frog, blanding turtle, and a beaver). It was very engaging and informative. The children loved it.

-Intermediates have three guest speakers over the next week: Tornado Hunter, Unstoppable Tracy and muay thai (kickboxing!)
<https://unstoppabletracy.com/>

-K4 did the virtual visit with Nature Nate too! It was awesome! We also did a field trip to the ROM for their dinosaur exhibit (normally costs \$150 but the cost was covered by the government), and participated in some really cool virtual events for World Ocean Day last week through Ripley's Aquarium of Canada. This week we are looking forward to a virtual visit with a police officer (the mom of one of the students in our class). We have also been working on building our understanding of the land acknowledgement that we do as a class each day.



Land Acknowledgement

We, the community of K4,
would like to say "Thank you"
to the Indigenous people,
for letting us learn here today.

We promise to respect
the land,
the creatures,
and
the people!

Hello, land! (touch the land)
Hello, sky! (arms up to the sky)
Hello, me! (hug self)
Hello, all! (open arms)

6. Treasurer's update (Sarah B)

- Treasury report provided (looks amazing)

-Majority vote to move \$411.20 of unallocated funds to Grade 8 Grad allocation for next year

7. Committee Update:

1. Fundraising: No Chair, No Update

(a) Please bring ideas for September meeting

(b) Monica loves chocolate and votes for a chocolate fundraiser of some sort

(c) Charlotte to hand off info for Shutterfly account

2. WRAPSC/PIC: (Kerri?): No Update

(a) PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) is looking for new members. Email for more info if interested and link on website

(b) info can also be found online on School Day

(c) To be removed from next years Agenda

3. Shade Tree Project (Jacob Bretz +anyone else)

(a) No Update, wait until things return to normal as project will be a multiyear fundraiser.

4. Good Will (Sarah Scott):

(a) No Update

5. Graduation:

(a) Updates all covered in Principal's report

(b) Some funds allocated over for Next year

What's On Your Mind?

-Connect with Michlynn Schweitzer Photography cleared by public health and is doing Grad photos, reach out to book.

-Next year council page to have minutes updated more frequently

- Shutterfly to be reposted on the Facebook group page for parent council

-Flower beds to the right of the school near daycare; Offer to be given to grade 8s to clean up as a community service activity. Will be put up on school day as well.

-Baden Public School Rules!!!! Covid19? Boooooo

-Keep up Parent Council Attendance!!! Great turn out for distance meeting.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm location TBD, hopefully in the Library