



Baden Public SCHOOL COUNCIL Minutes

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 7:00pm

1. Welcome & Introductions

Jacob Bretz, Ryan Day, Jenn Harezlak, Toni Peter, Sarah Baxter, Lauren Thompson, Lisa Huber, Cindy Krimmer (teacher rep), Myra, Russ

Regrets: Sarah Scott

2. Appreciations:

- Thanks to all the staff working so hard on field trips the kids have had a blast
- Thanks to all the volunteers, bus drivers, and everyone who makes these trips happen
- Thanks to the learning buddies and lunch helpers making our school culture stronger
- Thanks to Sarah B for wearing so many hats and putting together a start to our BBQ

3. Review of January 2023 Minutes & Agenda

- Minutes reviewed and passed

4. Principal's Report (Ryan Day):

- No staffing changes in the last two weeks
- Sadly Michelle Matthew in K3 has lost her Father and is off temporarily
- Kindergarten registration is now open – tell your neighbours! Staffing and classes (submitted in March) are based on enrollments and it's a quick and easy process
- Learning buddies has been really well received by students both young and old – this past week was board games and outdoor fun time and reading
- Kernals popcorn orders close soon and these will fund a couple motivational speakers (one for older kids, Leo Barbe; one for younger Q Mack possibly)
- Be on the look out for report cards the week of Feb 13
- PRO Grant applications are now open, and Forest Glen and SAB have reached out to work together to book a Social Media speaker (Paul Davis), likely with two sessions for Grade 6-8 students and Parents
 - o Council is onboard with working with both school
- Feb 21 is Dress as someone in your family Day; Feb 22 is Pink Shirt Day
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6. Teacher Staff Update

- Learning buddies is opening up time on the staff side
- Ms McDonnall is working on Black History Month activities and reading diverse books
- Classes that went to Crawford lake learned about the Wendack people who lived in the area and did a variety of activities
- **Spending request** to have Eric Walters come speak to our older students, one full day is \$1200 or \$650 for a half day and he would speak to the students about his books, becoming a good global citizen, diversity and inclusion
- Ms Lackoseljac's class is writing for a good cause to raise money for Habitat for Humanity and may eventually help a local build, they are also building circuit projects in science
- Junior recorder can be heard all over as they work on learning to read music
- Hoping to have a spring concert again outside with more than just the Kodaly choir
- Volleyball and Basketball are happening again at breaks
- Grade 1 has a worm habitat!
- The Heggerty program rollout of new structured literacy is going well

6. Treasurer's update (Sarah B)

- About \$1000 un-allocated currently
- DECISION: we will wait to find out more about BBQ costs before deciding on request for Eric Walters visit

7. Committee Updates:

1. WRAPSC/PIC
2. Fundraising
 - a. Possible Dates: Wed May 24, Thurs May 25, Wed May 31 (June 1 is a no go)
 - i. DECISION: Thursday May 25th
 - b. Volunteers: Val ??, Harvir Sidhu, ?? White, Myra, Russ
 - c. Purpose: Bring the community together, gear up for fundraising for playground
 - d. Food:
 - i. **Ryan** to reach out to Optimists for food prep – hopefully we can have them run as a turn key operation and provide their own food
 - ii. If Optimists didn't work, then Food trucks as option B
 - iii. Ice Cream – **Lisa** Huber to reach out about chest freezers and look at doing our own nut-free popsicles/freezies/ice cream (this would reduce long lines)
 - iv. **Myra** will take on getting the frozen treats from Costco (need pre-order?)
 - e. Kitchener Rangers, Laurier mascots, KW Titans– **Jacob** reaching out to these teams (they needed a date) to see what they can do
 - f. **Lauren** to contact Firebirds and dance studios
 - g. Erick Traplin – cost? **Jacob** will call
 - h. Vendors – advertise on FB, inside the gym (**Sarah B** to co-ordinate with Jacob), ex \$50 8x8 with table, make sure to bring people in with another activity, ask vendors to contribute to silent auction
 - i. Tumblebus – **Jacob** – not sure this still exists
 - j. **Ryan** will talk to creative beginnings re: contact for emergency services vehicles

- k. **Jacob** to call the video game bus to see if we can get them for free/cheap to come as advertising
 - l. Temp tattoos with a highschool student volunteer -
 - m. Lego pod – **Jacob** to man the pod, needs 8 tables
 - n. **Lisa** Huber might be able to be the event co-ordinator running around day-of (needs to confirm)
 - o. Cake Walk – can guard cakes with
 - i. **Toni** to see what can be done with the cake walk – containers (contact Sobey’s, promote getting ingredients there?)
 - ii. Paper ribbons with fun – award ex. Most Sprinkles, create 5 categories like Baden Bulldog theme, spring theme, etc
 - p. Silent Auction – Val Huszarik?
 - i. Donate a basket/ready to go item
 - ii. People get a number and use that to bid so there are no privacy concerns, and its anonymous
 - iii. Do this in person, not online
 - iv. Needs tables
 - v. **Ryan** asking staff if they would be okay with co-ordinating gift baskets with volunteers to provide baskets and wrap – each class would pick a theme or two
 - q. Volunteer co-ordination – Jen working with Lisa
 - i. Each area will need to identify how many volunteers they need for the night of
 - r. Games – school has 6-7 corn hole toss sets, gagaball, spike ball and could be run by Baden Leadership team, just need an adult to supervise
 - s. Promoting the playground – have a vision board, fundraising tree meter, jar to donate
 - i. QR code for WEFI account
 - ii. **Sarah B** to work on some ideas for that
 - iii. Ask BLT to create the tree ‘help us grow as a community’
 - iv. Send out information about BBQ and fundraiser week before
 - t. Considerations:
 - i. Need a map for fair weather, and inclimate weather
 - ii. Keep flow going throughout the school
 - u. Timing 4:30-8:30 for volunteers, Event 5-8pm
3. Shade Tree Project
- a. Not discussed
4. Good Will (Sarah Scott)

-recent condolences to Mrs. Matthew on the passing of her father

-when I went to reorder retirement signs it was going to be \$211 for 2 signs. I know prices of everything has gone up but this felt a bit high so I inquired about a discount as a returning customer, waiting to hear back

-would like to deliver flowers to BPS reception on Administrative Professionals Day, April 26th, I think there should be enough money in the Goodwill fund for this Graduation

DECISION – this is approved

- 5. Staff Appreciation Meeting Committee

- a. TBD
- 6. School Community Events
 - a. See above

What's On Your Mind?

- Excitement for the BBQ!

Next Meeting: Tuesday March 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm In Library!