

École Van Belleghem



Parent Advisory Council

Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2020

Time: 6:30 pm

Present:

Andrea Kolody (Principal)
Julie Labossiere (Vice Principal)
Tanya Stokotelnny (Chair)
Shannon Palahitski (Vice-Chair)
Siobhan Kari (Treasurer)
Kelly Pedrick (Secretary)
Lisa Hunt (Member at Large)
Cheryl Gervais (Member at Large)
Crystal McPherson (Member at Large)
Deana Abstreiter (Member at Large)
Angie Lafantaisie (Member at Large)
Tara Robinson (Member at Large)
Adriana Suver (Member at Large)
Shauna Krawchuk (Member at Large)
Vanessa Grandmaison
Shawna Fagundes
Terry Watson
Sara and Ray Chan
Teresa and Gary Roberts
Barry Kolochuk
Sergei Belialov
Andrea Montanino
Brie Hirshberg

Absent:

Kathy Ward (Member at Large)
Jennifer Campbell (Vice-Chair)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>
1.	Call to Order
	Tanya called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Welcome to new attendees – introductions were made
2.	Approval of Agenda
	Shannon and Lisa approved the agenda – no additions
3.	Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes (March 2020)
	Crystal and Tara approved the minutes from October 2020
4.	School Report (Andrea)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thank you so much for the wonderful treats from Tim Hortons for the staff. It was very much appreciated.• Students have settled into the new routines with regards to the cohorts, recesses, transitions, and washrooms. They have also adjusted very well to the physical education classes outside. A reminder that layers of clothing help keep the kids warm when outside, so please send weather-appropriate gear for the outdoors.• We would like to recognize and thank Mme Nicole Goshawk, who has been in the office replacing Mme Ginette Petit. She has been invaluable in helping us with all the transition

	<p>back to school and we thank her so much for her support. Mme Ginette will be back next week, and we look forward to seeing her smile once again.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We want to thank all the families who have been so supportive since school has started. Throughout all the changes, including varying levels of government and health changes, we as a staff have felt the strength of our partnership with you as families. It is very important to stay in communication and continue to work together to support our students' (and your children's) mental and social-emotional health, as well as their academic needs. Here are some of the highlights for November: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual In-School Remembrance Day Ceremony- November 10th No classes- November 6th, 11th, and 20th Report Cards Home- November 19th Parent Conferences- November 24th and 26th – 3:30 – 7:30 pm (4-7:30 for IL)
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5.	Treasurer's Report (Siobhan)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attached is the final report for the 2019/2020 year. Fiscal year September to August Net revenue in fundraising last year was \$8922 Expenses so far: Tim Horton's staff appreciation and MAL (\$336/year) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> discussion had regarding continuing our membership with MAL. Decision made to table for future discuss due to covid. Current bank balance \$6118 Not much there until we have the Colibri results, and the October bank statement is not ready yet from the bank.
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6.	Fundraising
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	<p>a) Colibri - update (Tanya on behalf of Jenn)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pretty successful. Final cheque not received yet. Expecting profit to be approximately \$730 Glenlea/ Lacoste (Tara) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Glenlea does not have a pickup option. Offering Evergreens only fundraiser. Decision made to not explore further. Lacoste has a voucher option. Family will place their order and receive a voucher, sent home with students. Families then to go to Lacoste with voucher to pickup their items Kelly volunteered to assist with Lacoste fundraiser. Bothwell <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moving forward with Bothwell cheese fundraiser. Cheese will be organized in Preschool room and distributed to parents via Preschool doors in a curbside delivery system Tentative delivery dates for these fundraisers Dec 3, 8 or 10 Order forms for Lacoste/ Bothwell to go out within next couple of weeks
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	Community Building Events
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	<p>a) Staff Appreciation – update (Crystal and Angie)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crystal and Angie volunteer to run Staff Appreciation Crystal moved a motion to keep staff appreciation budget at \$800 for this year. Motion seconded by Shannon. All in favour. Motion passed. Treats are to be packaged individually
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8.	School Initiatives
	<p>a) Recycling Program (Lisa)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program paused for families bringing in recyclables • Andrea to remind teachers of the recycling bins available at the school • Bins available to staff drink can tabs, plastic bags and pens/markers • Lisa will continue to monitor <p>a) Home Alone/ Babysitting Course (Adriana)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The person we usually use for this course is not offering it this year • Virtual options through St. John's in the making. Home alone program expected to be available shortly • Babysitting program more challenging to do virtually due to skill practicing portion • No response from home alone course leader from the school division • Aquaessence (via Red Cross) has virtual home alone program available. Lisa to investigate further • Division does not restrict us on company used • Decision to be made at the December/ January PAC meeting <p>b) Staff Wish List</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With gym classes being held outside more winter equipment is needed. Possibilities discussed: snowshoes, cross country skis. • Forest schools link www.fortwhyte.org/families/forest-school/ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Offer resources and ideas for outdoor activities. More about how to take regular activities outside and not just sporting type activities. Probably too late for this year but a good resource none the less • Andrea will discuss wish list further with staff during professional development day Friday, November 6
	Other Business and Announcements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new business to report
10.	Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting: Wednesday, December 2, 2020 6:30pm via ZOOM

These minutes were recorded by Kelly Pedrick. Errors or omissions should be reported immediately.