

# École Van Belleghem



## Parent Advisory Council

**Date:** Thursday, October 8, 2020

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Present:**

Andrea Kolody (Principal)  
 Julie Labossiere (Vice Principal)  
 Tanya Stokotelnny (Chair)  
 Shannon Palahitski (Vice-Chair)  
 Jennifer Campbell (Vice-Chair)  
 Siobhan Kari (Treasurer)  
 Kelly Pedrick (Secretary)  
 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)  
 Danae Avanthay  
 Vanessa Grandmaison  
 Rachel Jubinville  
 Darcey Schmidt  
 Shawna Fagundes

**Absent:**

Kathy Ward (Member at Large)  
 Lisa Hunt (Member at Large)  
 Cheryl Gervais (Member at Large)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Call to Order</b>
	Tanya called the meeting to order at 7:06pm. Welcome to new attendees, Danae, Vanessa, Rachel, Darcey and Shawna – introductions were made
<b>2.</b>	<b>Approval of Agenda</b>
	Jenn and Siobhan approved the agenda
<b>3.</b>	<b>Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes (March 2020)</b>
	Jenn and Tara approved the minutes from March 2020
<b>4.</b>	<b>School Report (Andrea)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students have settled in very well and are enjoying their new classes/teachers. We are thankful for our community's support with all the numerous changes. It is very much appreciated.</li> <li>We are pleased to welcome the following teaching staff to École Van Belleghem:                      Mme Joanne Girouard, Grade 5.                      M. Matt Harzing, Physical Education, as M. Cyr retired on September 30<sup>th</sup>.                      Mme Dominique Poirier, grade 2, is back from her maternity leave this year.                      M. Arthur Rey, practical Arts and Social Studies at ILCS with grade 7/8.                      M. Sorin is teaching Phys. Ed. at ILCS.                      M. Rob Hrabluk, music at ILCS.                      M. Brett is here full-time this year in grade 5 and Phys. Ed.                      *We also welcome full-time student teacher Mme Marissa Pastulovic</li> </ul>

	<p>(with Mme Saurette)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With Covid, teachers are teaching in only one school.</li> <li>• Our population is at 392 students, with 17 new students.</li> <li>• Priorities for support from PAC would be technology (iPads).</li> <li>• Divisional MYSP and School Plan - Sharing</li> </ul> <p><b>Our school plan:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To develop and foster the identity of students as French Immersion learners.</li> <li>2. To develop and foster a peaceful and inclusive school climate.</li> </ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you letter from Hope Hamelynck, recipient of Van Belleghem bursary. She is enrolled in Bachelor of Science in Nursing at University of St. Boniface.</li> <li>• Flat piece of wood under “T” climbing structure in playground dried out and broke and has been removed for safety.</li> <li>• Soccer nets- look in to having repaired (Andrea)</li> <li>• Lighting around the school changed to brighter, approx. 23 lights. Waiting to hear about lighting front school between school and Walmart</li> </ul> <p><u>Here are some of the highlights for September/October:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orange Shirt Day (Sept. 30)</li> <li>• Terry Fox Walk (Oct. 9)</li> <li>• Bus evacuation drills (October)</li> <li>• No bused field trips planned due to Covid</li> </ul>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Treasurer’s Report (Siobhan)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last year fundraising raised \$9153.02</li> <li>• The cheque for Party Works was never deposited, so the BBQ Summer 2020 cost is inaccurate</li> <li>• The Budget Summary shows a deficit of \$903.97. However, this is not a true deficit as we used some fundraising reserves from previous years to fund our larger initiatives, such as, the bike cage, water station and crash mats.</li> <li>• Estimated annual budget: currently have \$6118.68 in the bank (Sept 30). Our fundraising revenue is uncertain due to restrictions on our normal fundraising activities. Typically, our “building community events” total \$3100+. Leaving us with an estimated \$3000 balance in the account.</li> <li>• Busing not required this year. Thus that \$3000 expense will be removed from the budget.</li> <li>• Patrols will be starting soon, however a smaller group than usual. This expense will be added to the budget. The amount may be different than previous years due to restrictions.</li> </ul>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Fundraising</b>

	<p><b>a) Colibri - update (Jenn)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundraiser strictly online</li> <li>• Good profit margins, some items as much as 45%</li> <li>• Once campaign closes on Oct 19, orders to shipped to school within two weeks</li> </ul> <p><b>a) Munch a Lunch – update (Tanya)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Munch a Lunch currently on hold as delivery of food not permitted for the time being</li> </ul> <p><b>b) Others</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Glenlea (Tara)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glenlea and Shelmerdine’s made changes to fundraising campaigns due to Covid. Tara to reach out and collect more info.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Bothwell (Jenn)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will investigate any changes Bothwell has made regarding their fundraising. Discussion tabled until further information available</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>New Ideas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calendar (Vanessa) - The kids submit drawings; the selected ones appear on the calendar. Calendars then sold. Was a lot of fun and successful at her work</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Fundraising will look different this year. If it can fit in students’ backpacks would be best. The picking up of larger items, will require further consideration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jenn offering to use the preschool space for organizing and distributing from preschool doors, pending approval</li> <li>• Accepting cash and cheques a possibility if envelopes organized and labelled</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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<b>7.</b>	<b>Community Building Events</b>
	<p><b>a) Staff Appreciation – update (Tanya)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion proposed by Tanya for Tim Horton coffee and treats being delivered to the school Oct 9 around 7:30 am for staff. Motion seconded by Jenn – all in favour, motion passed</li> <li>• Crystal and Angie to organize Staff Appreciation events</li> </ul>

8.	<b>School Initiatives</b>
	<p><b>a) Bike Cage</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Went up this summer, looks great. Thank you to Crystal for spearheading this initiative. Bike cage is being used, working out well. Door unlocked at 8:00 am, at lunch, after lunch and after school</li> <li>• Andrea to send out communication to parents regarding Bike Cage open for use. Another reminder to go out in Spring as the weather warms up.</li> </ul> <p><b>b) Recycling Program</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jenn to confirm with Lisa that bins are still being used and emptied when necessary</li> </ul> <p><b>c) Home Alone/ Babysitting Course (Tanya)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently on hold, unless a virtual option available due to current restrictions</li> <li>• Adrianna to investigate virtual options</li> </ul> <p><b>d) Staff Wish List</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pinnies and iPads on hold for the time being due to fundraising restrictions</li> </ul>
9.	<b>Other Business and Announcements</b>
	<p><b>a) AGM – May 2020 AGM deferred due to Covid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 people from the 2019-2020 PAC stepped down leaving 2 open spots on committee</li> <li>• Tanya proposed that PAC membership remain status quo until we can have our AGM. Board agreed to same</li> <li>• We will continue with open invitation to parents to attend PAC meetings</li> <li>• Kelly to act as secretary for PAC</li> </ul>
10.	<b>Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Next meeting:</b> Wednesday, November 4, 2020 6:30pm via ZOOM</li> </ul>

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