

**Beverley Acres Public School
School Council
Monday, Oct 3, 2022 7pm**

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Julie Mahfouz-Rezvani, Shabbir M. Zavery, Deepshikha Swaroop, Patton Su, Riley Mirheydari, Sally Wang, Tharsini Tharmalingam, Ali Pourjafar, Marisa Mahabir-Byers, Zenobia Schlicter, Randi Magder, Sanaz Sadeghi, Susma Karikondala

School Staff: Sandy Kofalvi, Voula Divetta, Melissa Doucas

1. *Introductions:*

Sandy, Voula, Melissa, Marisa and around the table introductions.

2. *Sandy discussed the YRDSB's Multi-Year Strategic Plan:*



We are returning our focus on this model (though we know it is being refined and adapted) after a period of a more operational, curriculum and well-being focus through the pandemic.

With this in mind, we have to create a School Improvement Plan that is grounded in all these areas.

3. *Review of descriptions for School Council roles:*

Marisa (ex-chair) outlined and described the roles for each of the Executive positions:

- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Members at Large

Opportunities for committees:

- Fundraising
 - Donation drive
 - Pizza / Pita / Sub lunch
- Communications
 - Newsletter (monthly/bimonthly)
- Parent/Student workshops
- Lunchtime programs
- Community Event Leader
 - Fun Fair
 - Barbeque
 - Information night
- Staff appreciation event - lunch
 - Blurb to the community asking for food donations, help
 - Organize and put on the luncheon
- Blizzard Cup
- Volunteer Coordinator

4. *Nominations and Elections for School Executive Positions:*

Co-Treasurers: Tharshini and Sushma are acclaimed

Co-Secretaries: Sushma and Randi are acclaimed

Co-Chairs: Deepshikha and Sanaz are acclaimed

Community Rep: Marisa Mahabir-Byers

5. *School Updates:*

We had some fundraising success so far at Curriculum Night (cookie sales). Kids' Kitchen starting up tomorrow with Tuesday lunches. Now we are looking into starting up pizza lunches

Student Nutrition program coming back: We have secured our \$10,000 grant courtesy of President's Choice. The idea is that it supplements students' nutritional needs. There are many reasons for this. Last year this program was very well attended. The office was very busy.

We will go to the model MJ uses. Bins will be sent to each classroom instead of students coming down to the office at recess.

How often? It will be experimental, to see how often and how much, how to make it happen.

We will get it started with members of council first, maybe use some Intermediate student helpers, and we can tap some other parent volunteers.

6. Update from Administration:

- Student Leadership 7 and 8
- Student Announcement Team
- Curriculum Night helpers: Selling spirit wear, cookie fundraising, school tours
- Orange Shirt Day was on Friday, September 30. It was well communicated and we had a lot of participation
- Terry Fox Walk/Run was on Wednesday, September 28: Students had a great time outside. We don't know how much money was raised yet, as it is all online
- Sports have started: Cross-country October 14, flag football (intermediate) Oct. 7, volleyball tryouts are starting
- Guitar club for 7-8
- Glee club for 7-8
- Take Me Outside Day is coming up
- Scientists in Schools are starting to be booked

7. Action Items:

Pizza Days: Do we want to bring this back? Resounding yes! It is our biggest fundraiser and important to get started soon to maximize profits. The Co-Treasurers and Co-Chairs can get the ball rolling on this.

8. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Meeting Dates: We are required to have a minimum of 4 meetings per year. We often have 6. We have had meetings on various days of the week. Discussion about which day do we want and at what time. We decide Mondays are best at 7pm.

November 14, 2022

December 12, 2022

February 13, 2023

April 24, 2023

June 5, 2023

9. Adjournment:

Next meeting Monday November 14 at 7pm.