



Beynon Fields School Council

School Council Meeting

Beynon Fields Public School
28 November 2023
6.35pm-7.02pm
Virtual

AGENDA

Our School Council believes that collaborative partnership among the school, the family, and the community is essential to improving student achievement and well-being, and increasing a shared sense of accountability for public education.

Staff in Attendance: Sofia Papadatos (Principal), Jeffrey Borsuk (Vice Principal), Maxine Morrison (Teacher)

Council Members in Attendance:

Hadiqa Chaudry	Vicky Ho-Antipas	Namrata Shrestha,	Mei Zhang
Fatima Choi	Maryam Mosaffa	Dirusha Khushal	
Farnaz Droodgar	Alex Noudelman	Stephanie Silverman	

Community Members & Parents:

Helga Curry,	Raymond Tam	Asma Purewal
Jessica Hong	Matthew Russell	A Ng
Julie Lau	Christine Arnone	Wilma Li

	AGENDA ITEM	MIN	PRESENTER
1	Call Meeting to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ <u>Welcome & Introductions</u> Meeting was called to order at 6.35pm by Vicky Ho-Antipas➤ <u>YRDSB Land Acknowledgement</u> The Indigenous Land acknowledgement and the African Ancestor Acknowledgement was read by Namrata Shrestha. Attendance was noted by Vicky Ho-Antipas	5	Vicky Ho-Antipas Namrata Shrestha
2	Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Meeting #1 - October 11, 2023 10/15 council members were present and provided quorum for voting. Minutes for Review was sent on Nov 6. No additions or notifications of errors were received. Minutes were approved by (1) Namrata Shrestha and (2nd) Alex Noudelman	2	Vicky Ho-Antipas
3	Financial Report & Fundraising Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ <u>The Popcorn program</u> generated a profit of CAD3,331.90 and the funds were allocated to the Grade 8 graduation. Popcorn sales went well and will continue in Term 2.	5	Vicky Ho-Antipas Namrata Shrestha



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Terra Cotta cookie dough sales generated a total of CAD812.00 and the profit will be allocated towards the grade 8 graduation. ➤ Remaining funds available for spending from end October is CAD42,881. 		
4	<p>Committee Updates The following committees are now established:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Community Education & Engagement (Hadiqa Chaudry, Namrata Shrestha & Vicky Ho-Antipas) ➤ Communications Committee (Dirusha Khushal) ➤ Equity & Well Being Committee (Sylvia Xu, Namrata Shrestha & Vicky Ho-Antipas) ➤ Fundraising Committee (Sylvia Xu, Namrata Shrestha & Vicky Ho-Antipas) ➤ PRO Grant Committee (Namrata Shrestha & Vicky Ho-Antipas) ➤ Student Programs (Maryam Mosaffa, Fatima Choi & Vicky Ho-Antipas) 	5	Vicky Ho-Antipas Namrata Shrestha
5	<p>Principals Report YRDSB emails were hacked earlier in November. There is a gradual return to online, though there is no guarantee that all the emails sent during the ‘down time’ were received. Sofia Papadatos asked parents to please reach out directly to the school office if they have not received any response from the school.</p> <p>Report cards will be sent electronically next week. If parents would like a hard copy to please contact the school.</p> <p>Scholastic Book Fair The total amount raised for French books for the school was CAD2000. There was an additional CAD1,764.72 raised</p> <p>Programs The following programs are currently running:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Scientists in the Schools (Grade 1 & Grade 2) ➤ Teachers vs Students volleyball games ➤ Basketball/V-ball tryouts ongoing ➤ Bus Tour of Humanity (Jan 31 – Grade 6 & Grade 7) <p>Clubs The following clubs have also been very successful.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Violin Club ➤ Reading Club ➤ Robotics Club (has over 100 students) ➤ Chess Club (paid program) ➤ Choir <p>Excursions The following field trips have been planned for students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Vivian Outdoor Resource Centre (Grade 2, Grade 4 and Grade 7) ➤ Horseshoe Valley ➤ Raptors 905 (Grade 4 & Grade 5) ➤ Kortright (Grade 3) 	10	Sofia Papadatos Jeffrey Borsuk



	<p>Music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ The winter concert will take place on December 20 at 1.30pm. More information to follow.➤ Instrument playing and learning is ongoing, students are able to borrow instruments. <p>Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ <u>Grade 3 Gifted Screening</u> Gifted screening for Grade 3s will take place the week of November 27. Results will come out in January/February 2024. Only those parents who's child was successful moving onto the next threshold will be contacted. <p>2022-2023 EQAO Results EQAO – results are in and are public. There is more information on the website. The school's results are fantastic. The students scored above provincial and board levels. A special thanks to all the teachers and parents for helping achieve these results.</p> <p>Funding Requests The school is asking for DPA Bins (Daily Physical Activity-Homeroom Bins) with objects to support outdoor play and movement. The ask is for CAD800. The council approved the request.</p>		
6.	<p>Upcoming School Council Meeting Dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Meeting 3 Feb 28, 2024 (hybrid)➤ Meeting 4 May 15, 2024 (hybrid)	1	Vicky Ho-Antipas