

## Buttonville Public School – Council Minutes

### Meeting held on September 20, 2016 at 6:30 pm

**Attendees:** Peri Sygounas, Janet Gillespie, Kim Sutherland, Imma Petrou, Neely Noticewala, Kerry Mallett, Melanie Sonnenberg, Joyce Lee, Bin Chang, Kathy Lau, Lowell Tsang, Beatriz Lokhorst, Janet Murphy, Shankeetha Selvarajah, Pravin Rajagopal, Dan Woo, Chelsea Gellard, Rebecca Maybury, Asha Rathod, Shelley Anand, Mrs. Waldman

Previous Minutes from June 14, 2016 approved by Neely and Imma

Introduction by new principal – Asha Rathod

- Great turnout at first meeting
- Been with York region for a number of years
- Started as teacher in Unionville
- Mrs. Waldman, Teacher, joined meeting
- Each month there will be a teacher involved with the meetings
- Vice – Principal, Shelley Anand, will be shared between Buttonville and Coledale this year
- Shelley will be at Buttonville two days per week
- Introduction energizer game played by committee – led by Mrs. Waldman
- Asha discussed confidentiality form to be filled out by members and mutual respect, listening to others when speaking
- Everyone is here to make Buttonville a great place!

Treasurer's Report – Neely

- Opening balance \$16,513.60 - lunches still to be added and donations made to the school
- Basketball equipment purchase and installation - \$7,454.89
- Game line paint on pavement - \$2,034.00
- Maker space equipment - \$909.90
- Total - \$10,399
- Remaining balance - \$6,114.81
- Expected expense for remainder of maker space - \$4,000

Co – Chari Report – Kerry

- Meet the teacher night – Sept 29, 2016
- Need volunteers – Janet, Rocia, Bin will be there by 4:30
- PRO grant approved – Steve Chappelle will come in to do a workshop on social media and technology awareness and safety – November 8, 2016 in afternoon for students and evening for parents
- Lice lady – came to school on September 20, only two cases of lice identified

## Administrators Report – Asha and Shelley

- Grade 7's to Camp Muskoka October 6
- No food policy at school – no snacks to be sent for birthdays – suggested pencils or stickers if a parent wants to send something
- Classroom snacks are now self regulated
- Cross country is under way – Area run September 29<sup>th</sup> at Milliken Mills – Mrs Ellery will be looking for volunteers
- No reorganization needed for classes this year
- Appox 460 students
- Buttonville is Visa school designated
- Eqao results will be public this week
- Results show math was a little low – Math will be a focus
- Authentic learning – understanding how you can do it, everyone can do math – all have ability
- Bus safety Sept 27 and 28<sup>th</sup>
- Update from Mrs Waldman:
- Good news monthly assemblies will recognize students and character traits
- Looking at changes this year
- Want connections to character matters, will have action based assemblies where kids will learn and then put into action
- Have a large student leadership team – for Me to We, 61 kids want to be involved
- Oct 21 – 27 – book fair

## New Council for 2016 and 2017

- Discussed job descriptions and new role of fundraising committee that will be developed – board requires this – will discuss more at next meeting
- Co Chairs – Kerry and Neely
- Secretary – Janet Murphy – Back up – Kim
- Treasurer – Joyce Lee
- Reminder will be sent out by the secretary the week before each meeting
- Meetings will be the last Wednesday of each month
- Rocio, Lowell and Chelsea will do popcorn and cookie sales – Imma will help with kindergartens – Oct 6 start date
- Yogurt will be sold in spring
- Community get together for mid October – options are McDonalds, Menchies, Panera bread – Pravin will look into menchies option – possibly a Saturday – Warden and Highway 7 location
- Imma will look after Miko sale this year
- Pizza volunteers for Wed – Neely and Imma can help – as well as lunch monitors

Next meeting schedule for Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 6:30 pm