

# BUTTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Feb 22, 2024 (Virtual)

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## Council Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Janis Jones, Pooja, Yasintha, Kathryn Shaw-Edmond, Trina Sprayson, Tuyet, Connie, Kathryn, Ellyn Waldman, Kareema

### Agenda:

#### 1. Planning Department

- Buttonville PS Section B Proposed Boundary change – Presented by Trina & Kathryn
  - Background – in Fall 2023, the Board submitted a capital project request to the Ministry of Education to construct a new elementary school on the former York Downs Golf Course.
  - The school site is located northwest of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Kennedy Rd in the current Buttonville PS Section B Boundary
  - Proposed opening date is September 2028
  - All Residential units within the Buttonville PS Section B boundary can not be accommodated at Buttonville PS long term.
  
- Timing and Student Impact
  - There is no immediate impact on existing students at this time. Students in the block will continue to attend Buttonville PS.
  - The Board has not yet received approval for the capital project request submitted to the Ministry of Education in Fall 2023.
  - Existing students will be notified of any student impact the year preceding the new school opening.
  
- Proposed Timelines
  - School Council meeting Feb 22, 2024
  - Public Meeting April 3, 2024
  - Learning Equity & Well Being Standing Committee (LEWSC) May 14, 2024 (delegation opportunity)
  - Board Meeting June 19, 2024
  - Implementation September 2024

\*\*detailed information can be found at this [link](#).

#### 2. Principle Updates

- Events
  - Cotton Candy sale – Huge success – Thank you to those that provided support.

- Dance N' Culture Bollywood (Grades 4-8) & Pop It (Grades JK- 3) – The students loved the programs. Thank you, School council, for your support.
  - Tour of Humanity Bus – another successful event/program. It was great that it aligned with the new curriculum and was very impactful for grades 6 & 7.
  - Lunar New Year Celebration – it was great to see students' participation.
  - Black History Month and Beyond – website Launch
  - Kindness Initiative – Led by Ms. Panacci, mirrored by both staff and students. It is helping students to recognize the good things that are happening around them, part of our mental health and wellness.
  - Calls to Action Presentations – the entire school has been learning about the Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Assembly and School Wide learning on March 7, 2024.
  - Duffle Bag theatre – took place in January
  - Forest of Reading – Happening now- Kick off Assembly was on Tuesday February 20
  - Planetarium for the whole school – February 29 and March 1
- Parking lot updates
    - Reena Mistry met with Ms. DeClute and Ms. Jones
    - Recommendations were made
    - Now they will draw out two options to make the parking lot safer and administrators will decide on a model
    - **SAVE THE DATE: May 2, 2024** – Information meeting about the changes to the parking lot for parents at the school. More information to follow.
- ProGrant Update
    - Looking to book a speaker for parents and students about having a healthy digital setting, focusing on Mental Health and Social Media.
    - Currently looking for a date to plan this. Will touch base with Kathy and Rana for next steps.

### 3. Financial Updates

- Summary of Financials as of February 22, 2024:
  - Started the school year with \$16,507 and as of February 22, 2024, we have \$21,947; total profit \$5,440
  - 40% of lunch profits totaled \$4,369 (Pizza \$2008 + Sub \$909 + Astoria Greek \$667 + Ambiyani \$507 + Booster Juice \$168 + Kome \$111)
  - \$261 profit from popcorn and hot chocolate sales
  - \$105 profit from cotton candy (this is profit against the total purchased; however, against the 357 tubs sold, the profit is \$470)

\*\*Please note that of the \$21,947, we allocated \$8,713 for different school initiatives in October 2023, which puts our closing balance at \$13,245.

- Status update:
  - Outdoor classroom? Is it still a good idea? Permit? Space issues

- School jerseys? Do we need a board approved supplier? Yes  
Can a supplier do a sponsorship at a discounted rate?  
Ms. Lam to get us a list of vendors.
- New classrooms, new/more tech  
To revisit at next meeting

#### **4. Fundraising**

- Maple syrup
  - no new updates – they're ready whenever we're ready. Need to vote and confirm a delivery date. Kathy to email everyone.
  - Pick up options as the bottles are heavy: April 11<sup>th</sup> event OR we can give parents a window of days to pick up their order.

#### **5. Next meeting**

April 4<sup>th</sup> – in person