

Adam Beck School Council Minutes

23 September 2021

6:30 to 8:30pm

Video Call

SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES	EXECUTIVE	NON-EXECUTIVE
Ms Scenna Mme Bettas-Protopapas Ms Mavrou	Alex Ashton Christa Jay Jeff Jay Jennifer Starr Jenny Struyk Jeny Nussey Jinglan Yao Julie Middleton Liyan Ting Melissa Lanuza Michelle Grahlman Paula Sherman Samantha North Shannon Magennis Teresa Miller Winnie Falkenstein	Andrea Kwok Caitlin Taylor Christina Gordon Dana Gaiu Dima Amine Emily Chan Emily Hutchinson Heidi Mamer Heidi Visser Henna Patel J H Jaime & Simon Bassett Jenny Charlesworth Jeremy Hartman Jessica Hillgrove-Stuart Kristin Ociepa Laura Newell Laura Timms Marina Cattai Martha Miller Melanie Zettler Michelle Weeks/Prince Natalie Muccioli Emery Sandra Irvine Sarah Nelson Sean Briggs Shannon Gibson Shannon Weir-Seeley Tamara Hobbs Taryn Pimento Valia Reinsalu

Welcome and Review of Online Meeting Protocols and Introductions

Julie Middleton and Jeny Nussey introduced themselves and explained how our meetings proceed.

Land Acknowledgement

Jeny gave a land acknowledgement as well as suggestion to take on one of the call for action. Perhaps commit to a Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommended action by the School Council?

Minutes Review

MOTION: Julie asked for approval of the June minutes. Jennifer Starr proposed the motion and Shannon Magennis seconded the motion. As there were none that were opposed and no edits proposed, the minutes were passed.

Brief Overview of School Council

- Julie provided the Council Mandate
- Council Positions: Chairs/Co-Chairs, Treasurer/Co-Treasurer, Secretary, Executive consisting of 20 parents

Election Process and Introduction of New Executive

- Shannon volunteered as Co-Chair and Liyan Ting volunteered as Co-Treasurer. Samantha volunteered to be Secretary again and Jenny Struyk offered to be back-up in the event of an absence.
- No need for an election.

Committees Overview

Julie and Jeny gave an overview of committees and how to apply to volunteer (see school council website):

- Holiday Party
- Grade 6 Legacy Art Project
- Mayfair
- Monsterbash
- Movie Night
- Night on the Beach – looking for a 3rd person to chair
- Spirit – DJ dance party coming up!
- Staff Appreciation
- STEM
- Classroom Reps – 1 parent per classroom to liase with parents
- Adopt-a-family – needs a committee lead
- Equity
- Grants
- Mental Wellbeing
- Pizza lunch
- Read-a-thon
- Rendezvous Café
- School garden – memorial benches arrived and need installing
- Website
- Visiting Artists

Budget Process Overview and Review of 2020-2021 Finances

- Julie explained budget process
- Jeff Jay introduced himself and provided a recap of the 2021-2022 budget approved end of last year
- Expected income of \$47,500 this school year and spend of \$60,887

Julie put forward a motion to approve the budget and launched a poll for Executive to vote

- All voted in favour and the budget was passed.

Principal's Report

Ms. Scenna: introduced herself and Ms Mavrou and Mme Bettas in her role of responsibility.

- 8-9 children from school opted for virtual.
- Board realignment date is Sept 30, if necessary.
- School has Covid-19 take home tests provided by Michael Garron Hospital.
- Orange Shirt Day Sept 30 – Ensouling Our Schools resource
- Universal design for learning, school vs. learning model
- Equity committee purchased reading materials for school
- Last year School Board granted approx. \$2,000 for further reading materials
- Welcomed some of our new Adam Beck school staff
- Brightspace portal being used by teachers to share info with parents
- Virtual Curriculum Night – Tues, Sept 28 6-6:30pm and 6:40-7:10pm – teachers will provide invite.
- Red & White day – Fri, Sept 24, Terry Fox learning and fund-raising
- Follow school on Twitter @adambeckjrps
- Mme Zaimi is now Mme Mignard using married name. Ms Scenna also married and you may see her married name on email sometimes, but not using it at school.
- Please provide feedback at all times to admin.
- Questions from Melanie Zettler: Hepa filters and windows open, outdoor learning class – paid and waiting to be installed.
- School is short 4 lunch-time monitors.
- Redirection of students met with respect and compliance: “back-up or mask-up”

New Business

- Julie thanked Jeny for her work as co-chair over 4 years
- Asymptomatic testing: Earl Beatty school (<https://www.ebcat.org/>) has started rapid testing. Jessica Hillgrove-Stuart looking into it for our school – parent-led and separately handled outside school. Volunteers prepare and distribute kits to test children twice a week. Petition started by Earl Beatty and RH McGregor about province providing rapid tests to all schools who need it.
- Sean Briggs asked about fundraising for a turf athletic field.

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