



Home and School Meeting Minutes VIRTUAL MEETING

Date: Monday June 14th, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Attendance: Catherine Fini, Melissa Lim, Emmanuelle Dagenais, Neil Linsdell, Tracey Blouin, Marcia Ploplis, Tracey Blouin, Darcy Moncada, Julia Genoni, Derek Lagimodiere, Pauline Fahkri, Susan Hamblin, Karen Borrmann, Natalie Maurice (new principal)

1.Opening remarks: welcome members and non-members! We have quorum. Welcome to new principal, Natalie Maurice. She introduced herself, reported that Mrs Brayne had filled her in, reported that she was excited to work with us, and that she was available for meetings. Julia came in just to say hello and goodbye...

2.Approval of agenda for June 2021

Motion by: Catherine Seconded by: Marcia All in favor

3.Approval of minutes from May 2021 (Emmanuelle)

Motion by: Tracey Seconded by: Melissa All in favor

4.Business arising from May minutes:

- Update on ice cream truck: All set for Friday, June 18th. Flavors discussed. 11 flavors (including non-dairy, sorbet, and vegan). There is also a Mr Freeze option. Parents were given option to say if they were declining the treat. Mrs Brayne would like him to come at 11:30 to make sure everyone gets their ice cream. He should park on the side of the school. Staff should also get ice cream.
- Birdhouses: Should be finished painting tomorrow. Received names of 33 community members interested in getting birdhouses. Mme Lafrance has offered to deliver them. Some parents (4) are interested in helping with delivery and volunteered.
- \$100 spent on Chapters Gift Cards for climate action week. Mrs Brayne sent in many pictures by video and took photos to send in from the school. City brought 5 kits of reusable bags and hats for the kids. Mrs Brayne will have a draw.
- Tulips: \$60 spent on white tulip bulbs and will arrive in the fall. Will need a plan to fix the flag because Gabrielle no longer has the grid and some tulips have been displaced.
- School photo: Catherine has asked Lifetouch to make a mosaic this year again. 8x10 and will be in a black frame.
- Open positions for coordinators and executive: Some nominations are in for President (Catherine Fini), VP Communication (Krista Gendron), Secretary (), Treasurer (Neil Linsdell). Coordinators need to be filled: Book Fair, Staff Appreciation, New Parent Info night, Grad, Art Gala, Ice Wall. Parents' night is first Thursday when kids are back in September.

5.Reports: (15 minutes)

5.1President's Report (including QFHSA).

QFHSA AGM (Catherine)

8 resolutions were voted on in favor. Voted in members as well. These resolutions are to be sent to Ministry of Education. Heidi Yetman (guest speaker) addressed teacher shortage (less salary here than in the rest of the country and working conditions), spoke to negotiations going on, discussed mental health of teachers (67% said they were concerned about their mental health this year). Suggested that as a H&S, we can support staff by reaching out to school boards to ask what they are doing to support staff.

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- AGM is September 20th at 7 pm. Nominations still open and will stay open until AGM.
- Reminder about filing in updates as committee coordinators
- QFHSA awards were delivered.

5.2 Treasurer's Report & Budget (*Neil*)

- Not many changes since last month. A few expenses were paid for: Grad, orders for clothing sales. We have over \$2200 that are flexible that we can re-allocate as unspent for the year.
- Mrs Brayne asked about Jungle Sport as Mrs Maurice was also interested. 5 days of Jungle Sport can be \$4100-\$4500. How much is H&S willing to contribute? We did 4 days last time. We suggested making the commitment to Jungle Sport now, Neil recommended \$2000-\$3000 for the activity.
- Catherine spoke to pink shirts: \$6.00 shirts if we get 300 shirts Total cost would be \$1800. We discussed if we want to give shirts to everyone or have families pay for it. Pink shirts can be worn all year. Motion to approve purchasing pink t-shirts for anti-bullying for everyone next year. Motion: Tracey, Seconded by Marcia. All in favor.

5.3 Membership Updates (*Marcia*)

None

5.4 Principal's report (*Mrs Brayne*)

- Cheryl La France and the grade 5 students will be finishing off the birdhouses today. Thank you to them for brightening up the homes of seniors in Beacon Hill.
- As soon as school supply list is received from Edition Vaudreuil, they will be posted on the Beacon Hill website. The school had a virtual orientation with the K4 and K5 parents. She would like to send off information to them via email. Is there something we would like to include? Melissa will prepare something.
- There were some excellent submissions for Beaconsfield's Climate Change Week in the form of drawings, photos, digital work and a video. The school chose four winners randomly the Ks and one each for the three cycles for the gift cards.
- The staff and Mrs Brayne would like to thank us for the two Unsung Hero awards that they received. It was very kind of H&S to honor staff.
- Thank you to Marcia for organizing Mr Pickrell and his ice cream truck for the students and staff this Friday. The students are really going to appreciate their treat!
- Thank you to Christine and H&S for organizing the cupcakes and the staff lunch. Staff all really appreciate the kind gestures and look forward to the lunch this Wednesday.
- Thank you to the Grad committee for making this difficult year a special one for the grade 6 students.
- She also thanked Pauline Deep, Tracey Blouin, Julia Genoni and Mani Dagenais for their dedication and work over the past years. Beacon Hill has BIG shoes to fill!
- Thank you to all of you who have worked hard to make this year as "normal" as possible. The constant support was appreciated.
- Thank you to Melissa Lim for her dedication to the school, students and staff over the last two years. On a personal note, she has enjoyed working with you and appreciate all that she has done in your role as President.

5.5 Teacher representative (*Mr. Lag*): Teacher Wish Lists, etc.

Thank you to H&S for the support, and the treats and carnival, gift cards. No wish list items.

6. Coordinator Reports: (25 minutes)

6.1 School supplies

-Editions Vaudreuil will deliver the school supplies on Aug 24th (at the school: 5-630pm) to those parents who choose to order their supplies online. H&S will receive a return of 5-10% through this fundraiser, depending on sales. The Ed V. lists will be sent via ERMS, along with the generic supply lists, informing them that this is a H&S service/fundraiser (the last of the year!) and with instructions on the ordering process.

6.2 School clothing

Online store is open. So far, we have sold for \$1417 (last year we sold \$1542). Mrs Brayne has not invited K parents to the store yet.

6.3 SAW teacher lunch

The teaching staff was gifted with cupcakes (same as what daycare received) 2 weeks ago and it was a real hit! This Wednesday's lunch for all 55 staff is all set for 11:30 delivery - Tracey has delivered drinks to school.

6.4 Grad update

No updates. All going as planned. Breakfast has been planned for Friday. Fun-filled day for grads on their day. Thank you to coordinators.

6.5 Update on Ongoing Fundraisers:

Doubled team size with Flip Give to 16 people and have raised \$70 so far. Tru Earth has raised \$200 thus far.

7. New Business/Open Floor/Question period (*H & S related items*) – 10 minutes

Thank you to graduating H&S volunteers: Mani, Tracey, Julia, Pauline.

Thank you to outgoing coordinators- Christine Barnes.

Special Thanks and Congratulations on your retirement Mrs Brayne. Presentation was given to Mrs Brayne in celebration of her retirement. Gift will be brought to the school.

Special thank you to Melissa from Executive and H&S for her dedication.

8.Call to action:

- Open positions to promote
- Coordinators to update their folders
- Keep shopping Flip Give and referring friends
- Congratulations to our Grads
- Keep health, safe... rest and have fun!

9 Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM

Motion: Melissa Seconded by: Catherine All in favor

Next meeting September 20th at 7 pm AGM.

September 20th at 7:30 pm General Meeting