

BOWMORE P.S. SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

May 9, 2017

In Attendance: Principal McKay, Vice-Principal Shea, Sandra Gauldie, Elizabeth Grundon, Leah Jarvis, Nancy Botelho, Shelley Baboolall, Michaela Jeffs, Andrew Duff, Dita Petrova, Cheryl Ball, Ashley McKay, Jody Sadofsky, Anjali Misra, Lyndsey Camps, Heather Robson, Shaileen Casimiro, Sue Winton, Andrea Maugham, Shannon Akman, Marike Emery, Susana Molinolo.

Vice-Principal Shea opened the meeting by Acknowledging Aboriginal Peoples' Ancestral lands:

"We would like to acknowledge the Traditional territory that Bowmore sits on. This land is territory of the Huron-Wendat and Petun First Nations, the Seneca, and the Mississaugas of the Credit River. Toronto is still the home to many Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be on the territory."

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 1st Nancy Botelho / 2nd Shannon Akman

3. CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS

- "Best Seat in the House" (Nancy Botelho)
- Bowmore logo (Andrea Maugham)

4. BUDGET VOTE ON SPENDING

- Tonight we will vote on the spending of \$16,500 for the following 3 programs: Artists in the Classroom (\$5,250), Scientists in the School (\$7,761), Prologue Theatre (\$3,390). As per every year, voting for these 3 programs can not wait until the start of the 2017/2018 school year because the teachers need to book these program in early September prior to council's first meeting.

5. LOGO REBRAND PRESENTATION (Andrea Maugham)

- Logo rebrand (by Mike Kelar/Jackknife Design) is in the final stages; Bowmore admin has worked with many TDSB departments to ensure art work is appropriate.
- All parents and staff at tonight's meeting in agreement with moving forward to printing stage
- Leah Jarvis & Raffi Sekdorian are the teacher reps on this committee
- Style guide in the works; sourcing printer is in the works
- Logo committee will advise on launch date & plan

6. BOWMORE CARNIVAL (Michaela Jeffs)

- Event confirmed for Friday, June 16 (please spread the word!)
 - As per last meeting, there will be no large-scale carnival this year because the field and tennis courts are being upgraded by the city. Councillor McMahon on board, already helping facilitate around limitations & issues.
 - The tennis courts may become available; City yet to make final decision
 - Ms.McKay clarified that school parking lot may not be used for the 3 food trucks because it is a shared-with-community space
 - Confirmed activities: skateboard company to do demos; climbing wall; stage loan from IceMasters
 - art work for poster and promo is in the works
 - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (please spread the word!)
- Roles required: ticket booth manager, cake walk lead, beverage booth lead
Please email: bowmorecarnival@gmail.com

7. Direct Donation Program & Bowmore Rocks (Elizabeth & Sandra)

- DDP (Direct Donation Program) currently on hold; lack of volunteers
- Bowmore Rocks raised \$7,161! Art auction raised \$3,031!
- After 5 very successful years, the Bowmore Rocks Committee is retiring. They are looking for new parent volunteers to take over the event.

8. PIZZA LUNCH/SUBWAY LUNCH

- Final pizza lunch of the school year is Friday, May 12 (moved from May 5 due to Track & Field event)
- Pizza lunch raises \$11,000 every year
- Subway lunch will likely not continue because one of the coordinators is stepping down; unlike the ease of pizza lunch, sub orders & processing are problematic.

9. SPRING BOOK FAIR (Cheryl)

- Please note: the Book Fair is not a school council run event. All funds raised are for the school library.
- The spring fair raised \$11,000!
- Next book fair is planned for September 2017.

10. SPRING MUSICAL: SHREK

- Tickets are available through 'School Cash Online' <https://tdsb.schoolcashionline.com> or at the door for all 3 performances: May 16, 17, 18

11. JUNIOR CONCERT (Nancy)

- May 31 event needs help to sell raffle tickets for the "Best Seat in the House"; winners get to abandon lowly seats and move to a sofa in the front row!
- Anjali volunteered to help Nancy

12. STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH (Nancy)

- Date now confirmed for Monday, June 12
- Clean up crew needed
- Too many bean & quinoa salads being donated; please send email to bowmoresc@gmail.com to advise what you plan to send so there's more variety

13. School Council Positions for 2017/2018 school year

- NEEDED URGENTLY: Co-Chair and/or Chair + Lice Check Lead
- Sandra Gauldie was thanked for her role which ends now in May; Elizabeth stays on until September

14. PRINCIPAL MCKAY REPORT

- 2017/2018 Classroom Organization breakdown discussed (see attached)
- 1st day of school planning in progress to avoid confusion from previous year
- 3 Year Technology Plan is now complete!!
- the 2nd stage of this plan is now in progress. Still needed are: more carts with chrome books; every classroom having the ability to replace laptops & computers; more "active boards" (school already has 2, we need at least 2 more)

FACILITIES

- doors being replaced
- solar panels still in discussion
- our master clocks are being upgraded
- window replacements in progress
- north building gym is getting a new space dividing curtain so more than one classroom can use the space
- staff parking lot entrance being repaired
- outdoor basketball boards to be replaced

- gym wall mats to be replaced
- several bathroom issues ongoing due to vandalism ie soap dishes

EQAO

Taking place May 24, 25, 26, 29 & 30. Only for grade 3 & 6.

ECO SCHOOL

PAPERLESS ROLLOUT COMING IN SEPTEMBER FOR ALL/MOST SCHOOL FORMS!!!

MENTAL HEALTH/WELL BEING (MS.SHEA)

On Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m (Intermediate Gym) Bowmore PS and the WhyTry Organization present 'A Parent's Guide to Resiliency'

This hands-on evening event will give you tools to improve your relationship with your children and create a family culture of motivation and resilience. Based on the strategies in the widely renowned book The Resilience Breakthrough

Admin still planning when to show "On The Couch" the educational video (pilot) that was filmed at Bowmore

15. PARENT REACHING OUT GRANT (Elizabeth)

Deadline for the grant is May 25.

Heather Robson has volunteered to take the lead. Thank you Heather!

16. VOTE RESULTS

Artists in the Classroom, Scientists in the School, Prologue Theatre votes: 19 Yes/ zero No