

**BOWMORE SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES – May 18th, 2016**

Attendees: Principal McKay, Vice-Principal Naidoo, Vice-Principal Taillefer, Leah Jarvis, Viviana Kohon, Elizabeth Grundon, Martin Haardt, Martene Rodriguez, Abby Smallwood, Andrea Brown, Andrew Duff, Jennifer Petursson, Lori Sears-Malik, Lesley VanWynsberghe, Michelle Aarts, Sarah Gale, Randal Brown, Nancy Botelho, Annie Peltier, Susana Molinolo, Sandra Gauldie, Anjalie, Andres, Steve.

<p>c. Eco Update/ Bike Week</p> <p>d. Technology</p> <p>e. Question regarding yard staffing during lunch</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bowmore is now in “LC4” with John Chasty as new Superintendent <p>Eco Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full Eco review coming up - May 30th kicks off TDSB “Bike Week”, parent-led events at Bowmore - Monday May 30th will be ride to school day with bikes stored in gymnasium - Friday after school will be a Bike Rodeo (ride to school and store bikes at Fairmount) involving local bike shops, Toronto Police, community groups - Contest for students - how far did you ride this week? - Volunteers still needed for Friday Bike Rodeo <p>Technology Plan Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infrastructure for “3yr plan” is now mostly in place (wifi, computers, ipads) - Current focus is on “Digital Fluency” for staff - Classroom focus is “coding” for the whole school from JK-Gr8 - Dot Dash robots purchased for younger classrooms - Next goal is ipads connected to Promethum teaching boards in targeted classrooms (~\$6200 for 2 boards) <p>Admin staff confirmed that there are 5 lunchroom and yard supervisors on duty every day. Exit to school yard is staggered with 2 staff out ahead of students and remainder making sure lunch rooms are cleared.</p>	
<p>4) Treasurer’s Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bank balance projected at \$40K mostly due to lack of spending during fall work-to-rule - Vote on 2016/17 funding and additional end of year expenses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scientist in classroom 2016-17 (\$7761) - Prologue Theatre 2016-17 (\$3895) - Artists in Classroom 2016-17 (\$5250) - Additional Gr. 8 Graduation funds (\$400) to reflect actual budget and purchase of long-term supplies rather than disposable - Staff Appreciation Lunch (additional \$100) to reflect increasing costs of event 	<p>Elizabeth Grundon, Leah Jarvis</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - See voting sheet for tally - All new expenses approved 	
5) Hot Lunch Program	<p>Proposed Hot Lunch program catered by “Real Food Lunch Club”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School survey for interest and feasibility in September - Launch of JK/SK pilot in September - Principal is looking for 85% interest to launch the program school-wide - See proposal sheet submitted by Anjali 	Anjali, Andres, Steve
6) Fundraising		
a) Bowmore Rocks	<p>a. Bowmore Rocks (Lori Sears Malik)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lori wrote up summary for newsletter so parents can get an idea of the scope and organization of the event - Big Thank-you to teachers for coming out to support and socialize with school community - Consideration for student art silent auction for next year - \$2720 raised 	Lori Sears-Malik, Vivi Kohon,
b) Spring Carnival	<p>b. Bowmore Carnival (Sharon Donaldson)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Friday June 17th - More volunteers needed (parents can donate as little as 1h of their time before, during, or after event. - Summer camp Expo is a “go” at the Carnival - Food Trucks will include Lazy Daizy’s grill cheese/waffles; burger truck; ice cream truck; one other “gourmet” food offering 	
c) Direct Donation Program	<p>c. Bowmore Direct Donation Program (Lori Sears Malik)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Committee is brainstorming for next year (Sept launch) to redesign flyers and explore online donation options 	
d) QSP	<p>d. QSP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jenn Peterson will run program again in October - Magazine subscription fundraiser; majority of sales come from subscription renewals rather than new sales - Full event runs for 2 weeks and generally raises ~\$10K for school - This is the only fundraiser that requires student involvement 	

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7) School Council	<p>Spring Self Nomination Ballots posted for 1 month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - only 1 ballot was returned - Parents need to step up to fill positions - Co-Chairs and Secretaries - Council cannot run programs, support the school, or raise funds without parent involvement - Discussion of potential communication issues alerting parents; recent issue with email communications (newsletter) from school. <p>**New Volunteer Sign up form (green half sheet) went home with students today asking parents to indicate willingness to volunteer and what types of volunteering they might be interested in.</p>	
8) Movie Night Update	Still in need of Movie Night coordinator to take over from Krista	
9) Important Dates, Upcoming School Council Events	<p>EQAO for Grades 3 and 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - May 25th - 27th - Make up dates May 30th-31st <p>PA Day - June 10th Lion King Musical - Evenings June 14 - 16th Carnival - June 17th Last day of school - June 29th</p> <p>Next meeting September 2016</p>	
10) Adjournment	8:00 pm	