

Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm

# Present:

Michelle Bacon (Principal)
Darlene Flett (Vice Principal)
Sarah Chan (Co-Chair)
Brie Hirshberg (Co-Chair)
Amber Carriere (Treasurer)
Lisa Hunt (Secretary)
Kelly Pedrick (Member at Large)
Karli Peters (Member at Large)
Feliz Ebora Santos (Member at Large)
Michelle Adolph (Member at Large)
Cheryl Gervais (Member at Large)
Angie Lafantaisie (Member at Large)
Liz Montgomery (Member at Large)
Jenelle Gagné (Member at Large)
Cheryl Bayer (Member at Large)

#### Absent:

Laura Chatelain (Member at Large) Shauna Krawchuk (Member at Large) Shawna Fagundes- (Member at Large)

### **Guests:**

Tyler Blashko-NDP Candidate, Lagimodière

<u>ltem</u>	<u>Discussion</u>				
1.	Call to Order				
	Brie called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm				
2.	Approval of Agenda				
	Feliz moved to approve the agenda. Cheryl seconded. Addition to agenda added by Brie and Sarah-Treasurer report that included financials				
3.	Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes (May 2023)				
	Cheryl moved to approve the previous meeting minutes. Angle seconded.				
4	Tyler Blashko, NDP Candidate, Lagimodière (tyler.blashko.ca)				
	<ul> <li>Wanting to connect with parents and discuss any concerns in the schools or community.</li> <li>Grew up in the community, went to Guyot, Collège Béliveau then U of W and then works in the seven oaks school system.</li> <li>Lives in Island Lakes</li> <li>He knows the community well</li> <li>He is passionate about serving families and children and wanting to ensure a safe and healthy community for all.</li> <li>Election is October 3. The government has said all schools will need to be closed for this election day.</li> </ul>				

## 5. School Report (Michelle)

#### **ENROLMENT**

- Our current enrolment is 439 students. Current class sizes are presented in the table below.
  - Kindergarten AM 24, Kindergarten PM 20, Grade 1-19, Grade 1-21, Grade 2/3-23,

Grade 2/3-24, Grade 2/3-24, Grade 2/3-25, Grade 4/5-24, Grade 4/5-23, Grade 4/5-24, Grade 4/5-22, Grade 4/5-22, Grade 6-24, Grade 6-25, Grade 7/8-25, Grade 7/8-26

# **STAFFING UPDATE**

- We will be having 3 classrooms in Kindergarten in September 2023.
- Our clerical time has increased, Ginette will be here from 8:00-4:00 in September.
- An additional educational assistant position will be added.

#### WHAT IS HAPPENING?

- We are planning a week of Indigenous celebration to recognize and honour National Indigenous Peoples Day.
- We will be starting a Before and After School Care program for École Van Belleghem for September 2023.
- The television has arrived, Ginette is learning to program the announcements.
- We are planning a bump up day on June 29 for students to meet their next year's teacher (if possible) and classmates.
- Report cards and class placements will be posted June 29th, 2023.
- We will have the following classroom configurations for the 2023-24 school year:

Kindergarten -2 am classes and 1 pm class

Grade 1 -3 classes

Grade 2/3 -5 classes

Grade 4 -2 classes

Grade 5/6 -5 classes

Grade 7/8 -3 classes

- Grade 5 and 6 Field day will be on June 19th.
- Thanks to PAC for the delicious lunch for our staff. The food was wonderful and much appreciated. The cards were very touching.
- A thank you to PAC for paying for the soil for our Community Garden. The garden will be planted next week. Also, a big thank you to the PAC for providing buses for each of our classes to go on an outing this year. Examples of field trips this year include The Steinbach Mennonite Village, The Zoo, A community park, The Goldeyes, The Manitoba Museum, Fort Whyte, The Forks and MTYP, a Cemetery for Remembrance Day and Labarrière Park.

# 6. Treasurer's Report (Amber)

- As of today the bank account has \$5,764.94 once we pay for this Fridays pizza lunch and frozen yogurt we should have \$4,263.60
- · Some expenses were less then budgeted
  - > PAC windup was \$658.17
  - > Buses \$2470
  - > Staff appreciation (after parents contributions) \$865.85
- With the change in the board that was voted in last month means we need to change signing authorities at Caisse Financial.
- Caisse Financial Group Membership Number 231212 Ecole Van Belleghem PAC Operations needs to remove the following signatories-Jennifer Campbell, Shannon Palahitski, Tanya Stokotelny and Emma Robin.
- We need to add Sabrina Hirshberg Co-Chair and Sarah Chan Co-Chair to have signing authorities.

# 7. Planning for 2023-2024 School Year Community and School Initiatives

## Possible Fundraising Ideas:

- Peak of the Market is already booked and ready to go. Info will be sent out to families during opening day conferences
- Poinsettia Fundraiser
- · Perogy Fundraiser
- Bothwell Cheese
- Boulevard Meats
- · Glenlea Fundraiser
- Colibri reusable bags
- Rain barrels and Compost Bins
- Kelly is interested in taking the lead for Bothwell Cheese and Boulevard Meats
- Qdoba has a fundraiser like the domino night. Where families make a purchase and then the profit goes to Van B.
- Munch a Lunch covers a lot of the school year initiatives
- Karli suggested a draw for Jets tickets. Someone could donate tickets and then families could purchase raffle tickets to win for a family of 4
- Raffle off tickets for the front row chairs for a school concert
- VIP parking

### **Community Building Events:**

- Movie Night-TBD
- Yoga
- Pancake Breakfast
- Babysitter and Home Alone Course-Agua Essence
- Kindergarten Meet and Greet Night for Families (school initiated)
- Literacy Family Night in the Winter-plans in place where families move around with their children to various literacy stations. (school initiated)

# What We Are Fundraising For:

- climbing wall-25,000 cost (hoping to get some grants)
- · Sand Box-children's request

### **Welcome Back BBQ**

- Date confirmed for Thursday September 14, 2023. Kelly offered to apply for a raffle but if a grant is approved then it cannot include any raffles.
- Brie and Sarah will notify or put a call out for a get together in August to plan for the BBQ.

## **Additional Info:**

- Brie/Sarah planning on getting together with other school chairs to form a little networking committee to discuss fundraising ideas so that they are not duplicated with the neighbouring schools.
- Staff Appreciation-Lisa and Angie ( lunch to have earlier.....we will confirm lunch and treat days at our meeting in October.
- Kelly-used to be on the daycare board-RBC may have grants
- Jenelle- communicate to the families about fundraising initiatives so families are aware
- Amber asked if we have a charitable number
- Tyler Brashko suggested giving a direct ask to community or alumni for donation
- Amber suggested PAC to supply freezies for all of the children at Folk Dance at the Park. Parents could donate coolers.

# 11. Adjournment Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 pm Next meeting: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 @ 6:30 in EVB Library These minutes were recorded by Lisa Hunt. Please report errors or omissions immediately.

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