

# **Bessborough H&S Council**

## **General Meeting**

November 20th, 2019

7:00 pm

### **Present:**

1. Alison Steinman
2. Geoff Lamb
3. Andrea Jeffery
4. Lisa Suutari
5. Robyn Israel
6. Pat Broderick
7. Various Bessborough parents, teachers and students

### **Meeting:**

#### **1. Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm**

#### **2. October Meeting Minutes**

- October meeting minutes approved: 1st Lisa Suutari, 2nd Alison Steinman, all in favour

#### **2. Welcome (Pat Broderick)**

- Discussion of Bessborough happenings since last meeting, including foreign delegations recently hosted
- Introduced showcases by students in each of kindergarten, grade 8 and grade 5, followed by student presentations
- Presentation by Bessborough teachers on Breakfast Club activities

#### **3. Financial Update (Geoff Lamb)**

- Overview of 2019/2020 operating budget and committed funds
- Presentation of funds raised to date and prudent fundraising targets, along with total enrichment proposals and funds available for future allocation

#### **4. Enrichment Budget (Geoff Lamb and Pat Broderick)**

- Review of Proposals
  - Geoff reviewed each enrichment proposal (see presentation)
  - Pat added commentary for several proposals, including discretionary student support and community giving
  - With respect to the arts programming proposal, it was discussed that the students involved in the theatrical production would be

asked to pay an approximate \$50 stipend for participation that would be put toward the purchase of tickets for the performance

- Vote (a combination of online and manual voting); all enrichment items passed as proposed with a majority of votes of those present

#### **6. Bessborough School Council Proposal (Robyn Israel)**

- Discussed the proposal to operate as Bessborough School Council going forward, rather than a Home & School Association and a School Council together, and the reasons for the change
- Responded to questions and comments from those in attendance
- Proposal to operate as Bessborough School Council, and cease to operate as Bessborough Home & School Association, approved: 1st Andrea Jeffery, 2nd Alison Steinman, all in favour

#### **7. Next Meeting (Robyn Israel)**

- Proposed for February 19, 2020 with focus on curriculum

#### **8. Meeting concluded at approximately 8:30 pm**