



School Council General Meeting

October 6, 2020

This evening.....

Welcome and Opening Remarks	Andrea Bee
School Council Update	Andrea Bee
Being Involved	Christine Davis
School Council By-Laws	Andrea Jeffery
Financial Update	Geoff Lamb
Update from Admin	Dima & Fran
Q&A with our new Principal!	Dima & Fran

School Council Exec & Parent Members

Andrea Bee, Chair

Lisa Suutari, Past-Chair

Andrea Jeffery, Secretary

Geoffrey Lamb, Treasurer

Alison Steinman, Parent Rep

Christine, Davis, Volunteer Coordinator

Eva Svec, Communications Co-Lead

Sarah Pooley, Communications Co-Lead

Charlotte Fleming, Communications

Josette Katkic, Lead Divisional Rep

Welcome & Opening Remarks

-Andrea Bee

Bessborough School Council Update

Bessborough has recently moved to a Ministry-Mandated School Council. Reasons for this change include;

- Better Insurance coverage and costs for social events, including Mayfair.
- Ability to leverage the schools cash online and accounting system
- Simpler organizational structure

This does not impact our purpose, goals, fundraising and events.

Bessborough School Council

Mission Statement

Bessborough School Council supports student success in our school and community.

Purpose

To improve student achievement and enhance the accountability of the education system by encouraging parents to actively participate in the education of their children.

Goals and Objectives

- Enhance community involvement
- Provide forum for collaboration and communication
- Facilitate fundraising activities
- Advise school administration
- Share responsibility and accountability for student success

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Getting involved

There are many ways to get involved at Bessborough even this year! We are a close knit community with the school at our centre, so now, even more than ever it's great to have this community.

Class parent role

- Liaise between the school/teacher and the parents
- Help teacher with any donations/needs/requests
- Virtual Class parties, virtual parent parties - we can think outside the box here.
- 2021... who knows?? Fingers crossed!

Usual year - social series (street crawl, kindy wine and cheese, grade 7 parent welcome, lawn bowling, men with axes and bats, ladies night), Mayfair, pizza and sub lunches and on and on

*** Any ideas??? Please reach out to me at brent.christine.davis@gmail.com to make any suggestions on how we can continue to engage this wonderful community!

Approval of November 2019 Minutes

- Approval of minutes from last (Home & School) meeting - November 2019
- Posted on School Council website

School Council By-Laws

- Address:
 - election procedures and filling of vacancies in Council membership
 - conflicts of interest
 - conflict resolution process
 - other operational matters
- To be proposed for approval at the next School Council meeting

Financial Status

Event	
2020 - 21 Opening Balance	\$56,470.60
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ~60% is unused 2019-20 Enrichment & Ops dollars• ~40% is donated Pizza & Sub Lunch dollars from 19-20• Opening Balance for 19-20 was ~\$64,000	
Proposed 20 - 21 Operations Budget	\$4,950
Capital Improvements Allotment - 19-20 Enrichment Budget	\$10,000
Fundraising To Come ?	-
Net	\$41,520.60

Historical Fundraising & Events

Event	Estimated Net Revenue
Welcome Back Movie Night & BBQ*	-\$300
Street Crawl	\$3,000
Sub Lunch	\$5,000
Pizza Lunch	\$10,000
Men With Axes/Bats/Things	\$20,000
Mayfair	\$25,000
Social Series	\$3,000
Total	\$65,700
*this event is not intended to raise funds	

Principal

Dima Nijmeh-Mantia

Thank You!

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