

**Bishop Feild School Council
School Council
Tuesday, April 16th @ 6:30**

Present - Krista Goulding, Robyn Squires, Catherine Beh, Norma Alyward, Lana Stead, Claire Carter

Missing - Niquae McIntosh, Melissa Jordan, Sandy Gow.

- 1) Welcome
Robyn welcomed group.
- 2) Review of Minutes
Motioned by Robyn. Seconded by Krista and Lana.
- 3) June 7th PL
Half report card, half science of reading day.
- 4) School Development
The 24-25 year continuing with oral language development. Ties closely into Science of Reading. How we sound out words, develop language, reading and writing in both languages. Staff dedicated to program and the focus for the school.
- 5) Concerts/Sports Day/End of Year Planning
Krista - Grade 6 leaving, Kindergarten end of year, etc
Spring concert - It's primary - elementary did Christmas. Will invite band to play.
Last day of school will be at Bannerman
Field day (new name for sports day) - over at Bannerman. Getting approval from the city. Convenient to have school right there. It's easier, feedback was positive.
- 6) Art Show
Saturday in auditorium. Organized by Mme. Winter, grade 5 french. Cake auction, bake sale, coffee and tea for purchase, face painting offered. See the school, incredible art created by classes.
- 7) Parent Handbook Update
Postponed for next meeting.
- 8) Late students
Parking an issue, road was blocked. Trying to monitor cars in parking lot.
Lateness - as weather improves, there is some improvement. It has dissipated a little bit.

9) Business

a. Fundraising- 50/50

Over \$7,000. Drawn on March 5. Discussion over timing. Mid-spring seems to be a popular time. Melissa Johnson won, provided lunch to the school. Felt it was a success. Furniture for cafeteria has been ordered. Book fair sold \$10,000. \$1,500 of graphic novels etc that didn't sell went to the library. On top of that, we have \$2,600 in scholastic money. French immersion teachers to get informational text ideas, would like to stock there. Continuing with English graphic novels, the French section is solid. Much kept from bookfair. Some of special services teachers are going to get things for social-emotional room, guidance will get some books. School clothing order - will be run for about 1.5 weeks to highlight team t-shirts, t-shirts and maybe spring jacket. Kids can get in time for Field day if they want. Will likely make the whole shirt the house colour, instead of Fetcher's shirt being the house colour.

b. Community Garden- Parents wanting to see the lawn. We have tried many things with the grass. The mud will come and go. Grass is overseeded every summer to try to cut down on the mud. Nothing seems to work. They've done extra irrigation, topsoil, etc. There are 350 children playing on the lawn. Facilities has exhausted all options for reducing mud. If there were an easy option, it would be done. Overseeding, extra soil, etc have all been done. It takes 14 days for a seed to sprout and root, so no one would be able to do this during the school year. They overseed it every summer when there is less traffic.

c. New business - Claire asked about a clothing swap based on a few parent requests. This is not done for hygiene and space issues. Volunteer week - volunteers on council and school community were thanked for making big contributions.

10) Next Meeting- May 21

11) Motioned to close meeting - Norma seconded