Bridgewater Junior High School
School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes- 17 May 2022 – *via Google Meet*

	Item	Update/Action
1	Welcome & In-Attendance	**Present:** Nicole Ling – Parent Amanda Rogers - Parent Matthew Naugler - Parent Daphne Egilsson - BJHS Principal Sandy Spindler - Teacher Monica Rideout - Parent Megan Engram – Teacher **Regrets:** Jane Berrigan – Parent/Chair Debbie Myers – Support Staff Brad Penney – Parent Will Creamer – School Safety Resource Officer, BPS **Call to order**: 6:32 p.m. Thank you to Sandy Spindler for agreeing to take minutes of this meeting.
2	Minutes of 19 April 2022	Correction: #10 from April 2022 minutes requires correction - the Gaga Pit and play structures. We had originally approved 3 buddy benches and they have been ordered through the Uplift grant. Motion to accept the meeting minutes from April 19 as amended. Culbert/Engram/carried
3	Principals' Update	Deanna Rawding will replace Daphne as the new Principal of BJHS. 4 classroom positions have been posted. Carla (?) is the new grade 5 French immersion teacher and Jeff Rhodenizer is the new LA/SS teacher. The term position for Mr. Bazot in French is accepted as well. Softball is up and running Bike to School starts next week. Mr. Bishop's outdoor Ed classes are underway. May 4th (Star Trek Day) and Spring carnival were a success. There was a PSA taped at CKBW by Gr 5 students about speed limits in our school zone. The Pan African flag was changed to the African Nova Scotia flag. Staff focused on managing change, grade book and assessment during PD day. A new student from Ukraine started recently in grade 7.

		Transition meetings took place with gr 9's and PVEC. Transition meetings for new gr 5's will take place in June. School orientation for them TBD. NS Student Success Survey was completed last week. Diane sent out important June dates to families.
4	School Statistics	Attendance at BJHS is currently 339, including the one new student who started yesterday and another who will start on Thursday.
5	Treasurer's Report	Treasurer's Report ● $60 cheque to Megan back in March. ● $4719.18 remains.
6	Financial Requests	Recent requests from staff have grown significantly. Totals $4800, other school funds may be able to make up the difference. Motion to approve teacher requests. Culbert/ Rideout/carried <u>Student Bursary</u> $250 bursary for BJHS Student graduating from PVEC(??) - earmarked going forward.
7	Outdoor Classroom & Gazebo	Two outdoor structures have been ordered. Hope to see construction and installation in the summer. Lighting will follow once they're installed. Temporary lighting in the meantime? Some rocks will need to be moved for the outdoor classroom. To get the gazebo into that corner would involve moving some of the trees, rocks and plants from the butterfly garden. A staff member offered to move the gazebo for free in exchange for the wood. Motion to allow the staff member to move the gazebo for free in exchange for the wood. Rogers/Rideout/carried Gaga Pit is ordered and should arrive at the end of the month. 3 new buddy benches will arrive within 6 months.
8	Megan E – Staff Appreciation	Last year a treat (cake and fruit) was done during the marking day in June. Would it be possible to do this again? Daphne thinks there may be funds available that could be cleared up for that. Voted yes. Patty expressed appreciation for Daphne for all the work she does, as well as the rest of the group.
9	Next Meeting	Last meeting for this year - Tuesday, 21 June. Hybrid meeting (in person and online).
10	Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.