



Bayview PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday February 20 2023, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Online.

Attendees: Brie Lunn, Jess Ellis, Brandy Stoker, Jacqueline Wasko, Joss Taylor, Molly Johnson, Karen Trotter, Itzia Paz Cortes, Karmel Leor Greenfeld, Sarah Chipperfield, Jenny Black, Fiona Liu, Shannon Powell, Megan Ryan, Birgitte Biorn

Agenda Items

1. Introduction & Approval of last meeting minutes: Brie Lunn

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.

All attendees introduced themselves.

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as presented. Motion by Karmel Leor Greenfeld, seconded by Itzia Paz.

2. Teacher Update: Megan Ryan

Meghan had many updates from various classrooms to provide:

- Miss B and Division 2 are very excited to exhibit their Black Excellence projects to the classroom. They have started several new units in math and in social studies they are working on their Africa maps. In science, they are working on hormones. The class's reading club and book studies are well underway.
- Ms. Montegano's class in Division 3 are learning about fractions. They have become "Mathler Scholars". Mathler is a math fun game much like Wordle. They have been working hard on the Canada maps and labeling provinces. They learned about immigration and Canada's history of racist laws.
- Mr. T's class in Division 1 are working on units for Black Excellence and chemistry. They are also doing many experiments and building 3-D ancient civilization projects.
- Ms. Jung and Division 9 are finishing up their Me in The Middle project for Social Studies and the children are learning that their world right now is pretty small but as they grow bigger, they will be able to go out on their own and explore the community.
- Ms. Kochan and Division 11 are in the middle of their study of ancient Japan and Ninjas. They have experienced a tea ceremony and practiced camouflaging Ninjas. They are looking forward to a Ninja training session with a parent from the class.
- Ms. R and Division 12 are continuing their family unit. They continue to strengthen their oral language skills using a writer's workshop. They will be starting their financial literacy program soon.
- Ms. Ryan's class in Division 8 are in the middle of their salmon unit and are very excited to have seen the eggs hatch! They really enjoyed their Black History Month presentation and learned a lot about famous Black Canadians.
- Ms. Rossignol and Division 7 are working on multiplication skills, the kids have enjoyed demonstrating their learning in many different ways.



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3. Principal Update: Birgitte Biorn

- There was some feedback to staff regarding the Saleema Noon presentations this year and that perhaps for the younger grades, there was a bit too much information. Other staff, however, reported that it was a great presentation and went really well. If you have any comments or feedback, please email Birgitte at bbiorn@vsb.bc.ca.
- In January, it had been discussed that the staff would be going to Shaughnessy Elementary to do some professional development work with the VSB Teachers Consultants for Literacy. The staff were broken into groups and had a chance to do some professional development and learning about getting kids to write books. The staff then actually went into Shaughnessy classrooms and taught the kids a quick lesson based on what they had just learned. Teachers ended up really enjoying the experience and seeing it as a valuable use of their time and look forward to incorporating the ideas into their own classrooms. In the afternoon staff heard from Ms. Charlotte, from the preschool, who gave a presentation about what it is like going through school as a child with neurodiversity and now being an adult that is teaching in the school system.
- Kindergarten registration is looking good, numbers at the moment are around 57 students. Of those students, 13 are siblings of kids already registered at Bayview.
- Black History Month presentations kicked off this week, celebrating Black Canadians and Black Excellence. It is a great opportunity for our students to learn and unlearn.
- The Rugby 7's field trip is happening this week for many divisions. It is a free event put on by Rugby Canada to encourage young people and get them excited about the sport.
- Pink Shirt Day is February 28th!
- Bayview is involved in a Literacy Residency program with a teacher consultant at VSB. They will be coming to the school every Monday (primary grades only) and bringing some amazing "loose parts" including everything from little bits of wood, shells and sea glass. The kids will then have an opportunity to tell a story using these parts and then actually write the story.
- Kiln update: Doug Roch has taken the project over. The kiln needed legs so he will pay for that. They have been ordered and will next need to be installed.
- The VSB is about to kick off its budget season and there will be a survey being sent out asking for families' input in terms of what they think the priorities should be for the budget this year.

4. Treasurer's Update: Jess Ellis

Current numbers are as follows:

- Gaming account: \$2,034.24
- Regular account \$39,023

Our Valentine's Bake sale this year did very well, we were able to earn \$727.00. Thank you to all those that contributed, the kids loved it!

5. First Aid Pouches: Brie Lunn & Birgitte Biorn

It was proposed by Brie that first aid kits be purchased for each classroom in the form of a fanny pack that can be taken on field trips.



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Brie obtained some quotes and the cost would be around \$360. Motioned by Brie Lunn, seconded by Molly Johnson.

6. Mural Expense: Brie Lunn & Birgitte Biorn

The VSB has a District Student Council and last year a motion was passed for them to get \$100,000 to support student leadership initiatives across the district. Schools were welcome to apply for the funds. Elementary schools were able to apply for up to \$1000. Bayview has applied for the funds and have been discussing the idea of a new mural for Bayview. There used to be murals on the outside of Bayview that the kids would paint, and so now the thought is perhaps doing a mural inside the school. Ms. Taylor's daughter, Abby, has done mural work at a number of schools doing and she is on board to facilitate this project. The kids are very excited to be involved in this initiative. The idea behind the mural would be old Bayview to camp Bayview through to new Bayview with bridges and eagles connecting the three. The kids would be participating in the painting.

Brie proposed spending funds on the school mural that Council funding would not cover. With the cost of paint and paying for Abby's time, the estimated extra cost would be \$1000. Brie motioned to spend funds to cover costs of this project not included in the applied funds, seconded by Molly Johnson.

6. Cabin Party Update: Brie Lunn

Our big fundraising event is coming up on March 8th from 6pm-10pm in the Bayview gym. It is an adult only event and tickets are on sale now for \$20. They must be pre-purchased on the Bayview website. You can also buy 50/50 tickets and bar tickets online to save yourself time. There will be an amazing silent auction as well as live auction happening with so many great prizes. We still need more volunteers if you are able to help out. Please email Brandy Stoker if you are interested at stokerbrandy@gmail.com.

7. Dine & Donate: Brie Lunn

This Thursday there is another dine & donate happening and the restaurant is Tayybeh.

Every month or so the PAC works together with a local restaurant in the area. The restaurants in the past have been so supportive. They open a night to our school where you can eat in or take out and simply mention Bayview School and they will kick back a percentage of the sales to the PAC. If parents have a restaurant or know of one that would like to take part in this program, please reach out to the PAC.

8. Staff Appreciation Lunch: Brie Lunn

This event will also be happening this Thursday and will be a potluck style lunch for our teachers. We have many volunteers signed up to bring a dish or help with the event which is great! Last year it was a big hit but this year will be even better being in our new school rather than a portable.

9. Hanging Basket Sale: Brie Lunn

It has been discussed to bring in hanging baskets again this year for Mother's Day. Itzia Paz will be helping supply for that. More information to come! Ordering will begin in April.

Similar to this is the Purdy's Easter Campaign which is similar to the Christmas Campaign. You can order online and then Jeannine MacDonald will arrange to pick them up. An email will be coming out soon with more information.



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10. New Business: Brie Lunn & Karmel Leor Greenfeld

Brie wanted to discuss further the school platters that each class will be producing and then raffle off to raise money for the school. We had some troubles sourcing the platters but now have some ready that Ms. Taylor will be bringing in. Parent reps will be notified soon and will be asked to recruit volunteers from the classes to help students with this project. The teacher comes up with the idea and the theme and then parents will help facilitate.

Karmel made an update regarding her Financial Literacy Program. She has gone through grades 2-7 at Bayview and the experience has been great. Mr. T has asked Karmel to come back to the grade 7 class in April to do the entrepreneurial class for an hour a week for four weeks. This includes business planning and execution. Mr. A will have her come into his grade 6 classroom do the same course in one day.