

Ecole Elgin Market
School Community Council Meeting
Date: Monday June, 2023 6pm
Location – school library and Microsoft Teams

1. Attendance: Laura Stockland, Sarah Newton, Stephanie Cowan, Jan Johnston, Gillian Dent, Sabrina Liivoja, A (Parent request not to publish name)
2. Adoption of Agenda: adopted
3. Approval of Previous Minutes: March 2023 minutes accepted
4. Correspondence: None
5. New Business:
 - a. Principal's report – see attached report
 - Unstoppable Tracy speaker was unable to come into a BWDSB policy regarding requirement of Liability Insurance. Speaker thought existing insurance would cover but it did not meet criteria.
 - Kindergarten registration is up (approx. 45) – will result in amendments to classes from current version (presented in attached report)
 - There will likely be a lead teacher (0.4 time) in September. Lead Teacher interacts with students similar to vice principal.
 - Question – How many families typically take part in survey to parents with respect to requests for classroom placement for next school year – answer – approx. 50%
 - b. Trustee Report
 - BWDSB is adding 10 programs that are not funded through provincial ministry
 - Board is working on budget (>\$250 000 000)
 - BWDSB is having progress with hiring / recruiting staff. Laura Stockland notes that improvement in availability of staff to hire is noticeable.
 - c. Open Questions
 - Question – to Home and School Representatives – was there interest in materials on School Community Council and Home and School by new school families attending orientation to kindergarten event. Answer – lot so interest, there were many parent volunteers in attendance to speak to this.

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Question – Breakfast club was in need of fundraising as reported at last meeting. Were those efforts successful. Answer – yes, Beefway fundraiser was successful and likely to be brought back. Additional donations have been received. There is also the President’s choice equipment grant to be used.
Comment from Jan Johnston – the information that the program required fundraising was raised at BWDSB for information.

Note – An Elgin Market Parent volunteer is to be recognized this month at the BWDSB with an excellence award.

6. Old Business: None
7. Policies under review:
No new policies to review
8. Next Meeting: September 2024 -likely third Monday of the month

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Principal's Report – SCC

School Community Council – June 5, 2023

Organization for 2023-24

We are predicting approximately 298 students for next year, although numbers are still fluctuating. Our school organization has been shared with staff and classes will be as follows:

BK1 (JK/SK) – Mme Diffin and Mme Hall - (17 JK , 9 SK)
BK2 (JK/SK) – Mme Thompson and Mme Sloetjes - (18 JK / 9 SK)
SK/1 – Mme Beamer - (13 SK / 7 Gr1)
Grade 1 – Mme Combe - (20)
Grade 1 – Mme Rutledge - (20)
Grade 1/2 – Mme Haylow - (4 Gr 1 / 15 Gr 2)
Grade 2 – Mme Brown, also Library contact teacher covered, by 0.1 Mme Gibson - (20)
Grade 3 – Mme Burrows - (20)
Grade 3 - Mme Tremblay - (22)
Grade 4 – Mme Drury - (24)
Grade 4/5 - Mme Everingham, also ESL, Mme Boucher for Math - (11 Gr 4 / 15 Gr 5)
Grade 5/6 – Mme O'Donnell (English portion of both Grade 5/6 and 6) - (19 Gr 5 / 7 Gr 6)
Grade 6 – Mme MacLennan (French portion of both Grade 5/6 and 6) – (28)

JK-Grade 1 Prep Coverage – Mme Boyko (on leave)
0.4 Prep Coverage Gr 1-5 – Mme Mangotich
Grade 4-6 Prep Coverage – Mme Cygan
English as a Second Language – Mme Everingham / Mme O'Donnell
Learning Resource Teacher – Mme Hart

Educational Assistants
Diane Leschied
Jennifer Speedie
Will Schildroth (0.9)
Sabrina Liivoja (0.1)

Parental Input

A survey will be coming home for families in the newsletter asking for them to let us know of any friends that they would like their child to be with next year. We will endeavour to keep students with at least one peer identified by families. Parents will be able to share any other considerations, however will be requested not to ask for specific teachers or to request no split grades. Class lists are developed by students' current teachers, however families are reminded that class placements are considered tentative until the end of October.

Grade 6 Graduation

Our Grade 6 graduation will be held on June 27th at 1:40 and will be a similar format to previous years, with a short ceremony and four awards. The awards are the Grade 6 Character Award, Endeavour Award, CUPE Award

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and the Ontario Principals Council Award. Families and classmates will be invited to join us to celebrate our graduates and for refreshments afterwards.

Upcoming Dates

June 12th – BESC Track and Field (rain date: 13th June)
June 14th – BK2 Farm visit
June 15th – Volunteer Breakfast, Team Unbreakable Race Day
June 16th – Grade 3 sleepover
June 19th – Longest Day of Play
June 20 – Grade 1 Camp Kintail
June 21st – National Indigenous Peoples Day – dress in orange.
June 22nd – Jump Rope for Heart
June 23rd – Talent Show
June 27th – Graduation assembly for Grade 6 (1:40)
June 28th – Assembly – respect / le respect
June 30th – PD day