

Bell Council Sept 26, 2022

Present: Fred Schultz, Maris Stasko, Jon Harris, Mo Tait and student reps Ethan Guan and Jules Wong
Plan to hold November meeting at Bayshore Public School to increase opportunity for parent participation.

Jon to check into availability of school to meet and translation of material through MLO.

Meeting called to order at 6:47 pm

Welcome and Introductions

Roundtable

Agenda

Fred moved to approve agenda with election item postponed to next meeting due to low parent turnout

Mo seconded.

Motion carried.

Minutes of June 6, 2022 minutes

Fred moved to approve minutes of June 6, 2022.

Mo seconded.

Motion carried.

Student Council report – Ethan and Jules

Created 2 new athletic rep positions (grade 11 and 12) to help run intramural activities and create athletic

committee, and 2 reps from the Bell Islamic Student Association (BISA) to liaise. Will be electing 4 more

positions: ESL reps and grade 9 reps

School merch – will have design contest to allow student input into what merchandise looks like
Spirit Week planned for Oct 3-6, including ESL and grade 9 reps elections and raffle on the 6 th

Percentage of

funds raised goes to FAMSAC. Balance goes to Student Council; it's the main fundraiser for them.

May

consider expanding FAMSAC portion.

Working on improving grades 7 and 8 integration

Club registration underway and meetings have begun. Younger students signing up. Advertised through morning announcements, in class, Insta, etc. Will look at updating Club webpage (more for parents' benefit).

Around 10 clubs registered.

Morning announcements being translated into multiple languages thanks to ESL students.

Google classroom being used to promote clubs and to submit music to be played before school, including

material written by students.

Starting planning for Remembrance Day ceremony

Principal's Report – Jon

81 teaching adults, total of >90 staff with at least 25% new.

Administration:

Rob Anderson: Vice-Principal

Intermediate:

Carissa Blaseg: Gifted HR and Learning Resource Teacher

Secondary:

Karina Bech: English Department

Hailey Desotti: Learning Support Lead
Emily Ellwood: DDP
Tony Goliath: Communications Technology
Melissa Kerr: DDP - Learning Support
Matt Manso: French
Monica Paquet: DDP
Jill Pertulla: English/Social Science
Christina Shields: ESL and English
Luke Simoneau: Music
David Stephens: Art, Business and Science

LTO:

Justin Hidgins: Math
Sam Gauzes: DDP - SST
Melany Chaiquin: ESL
Jen Carswell: Science
Ashley Neale: English

Office:

Jennifer Beckett
Debra McTaggart

EA:

Debbie Bowville
Lindsay Palmer
Dick Jammer
Veronique Foote (Term)

Challenges with staffing in Technological Education (Auto and Construction).

Numbers: (Based on Enrollment September 30th)

Intermediate: 259 - No reorganization anticipated

Secondary: 785 - Additional Classes added (3 already - probably a couple more)

*** Class Sizes and Flex *** Have hard caps on some classes (grade 9 math, tech classes); with others, may go

beyond cap by one or two to allow for some flexibility.

Would like to add extra ESL class.

PD Day: October 7th - No Classes

Intermediate News

OCTranspo safety assembly last week.

Terry Fox run Oct 6 th

Get Real anti-racism presentation planned for Nov 14th

Progress reports Nov 9 th

Immunization clinics Oct 27/28

Some progress to come for intermediate sports soon. Focus on track meet to start.

Secondary News

Database migration from Trilium to Aspen; will allow us to do more, but no experience in Board so impacted timetable development, class assignment etc. Progress reports not functional in system yet so teachers will

send emails parents/guardians if there are any issues to be discussed and then will schedule interviews.
Oct 20

from 4:30-7:30 with priority for kids whose credits are in jeopardy. Some potential for drop-ins; will advise.

Destreaming discussion at next council meeting. Grade 9 Science new curriculum - Class sizes in streamed

classes capped at 26 no flex

Reminder to register Presto passes. Some behavioral concerns on some busses

OCDSB Cares up and running; it's a confidential bullying notification tool and provides resources to help.

Picnic tables ordered, but still not supplied. The one we have keeps getting destroyed at night by people jumping on them. Instead of ordering more, we could provide material to class build more chairs and table.

Will seek motion at next council meeting to cancel order.

Teacher's Report – Maris

Miss Sally's class raising monarchs and releasing them.

Rainbow Alliance planning field trip to National Gallery

Mr. Bergeron running robotics and will compete in tournament; would like to have 3 teams.

Miss G starting up senior band, junior band, etc. First concert December 15th

Community building week in 1st week of school.

8 sports teams up and running

Grade 10 outdoor ed classes ...I missed this part

Need donations of cleats, shorts, hockey skates, running shoes, backpacks,

Maris to share list with Ethan to share with students. Will also post on sports webpage.

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Fred to accept report as filed

Seconded by Mo.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm