



Parent Council Meeting

DATE Monday April 19, 2021 / Time 4:15

Google Hangout:

- <https://meet.google.com/tzq-nwmi-ese>
- Call to Order 4:21
- Additions / Approval of Agenda / [minutes](#) from March 1, 2021

Present: Chris Rogers, Mike Shoemaker, Kathy Dales, Anne Marie Puccini, Maya Capel, Susan Blonski, Jenna Villemaire, Cassandra Carr

Reports

Student Council Report

- Bearware – sold lots! \$10K worth
- March Madness – relative success
- Working on short 15 minute activities

Treasurer Report

- No financial changes

Principal's Report

- Art Gallery - funding request – need some support – Ms. Lafroy had organize a hallway in from the courtyard as a place to showcase art. Would like to have a more gallery setting – get rid of the overhead lighting, as it is being replaced throughout the school – replace with track lighting. Paint the walls, wood trim the tops and bottom of walls. Budget of \$1400. Jenna motioned to cover the \$1400, Anne Marie 2nd.
- Parent teacher conferences went well. Some parents attended that never had before. Maybe easier to do from home and more convenient.
- Touched base with students to see how Covid had impacted them at school in their lives. Reminder to follow procedures and protocols now that we're in the 3rd wave.
- One positive case in our school that student tested positive. Good to have a two day break to get communication out. AHS has been involved and have their contact tracing going with the families
- Insurance planning – families with students in grade 10 will receive a short survey asking about school operations. Please respond back.
- Quarter 4 is starting on Wednesday. Start talking about next year, especially the grade 11's to prepare them for graduation.
- Grad photos – done at school this year due to Covid. Will likely go back to off-site for next year. Great to see students dressed up and with their props of what was important to them.

- Cap and gown – we are thinking about it but don't yet have decisions. We will wait and see how things go before we make final decisions. Looking at June 27/28. June 25th finish off class work. Will likely have no fault exams if students decide to write.
- For next month – AGM is done in June, but did this year in September due to Covid. Typically they would be in the fall, is this something we want to move towards? Nice way to welcome new parents in, review last year and lead into the new school year. Don't need to discuss tonight, but in May we could discuss if that's something we want to pursue.

Teacher Report (Ms. Capel)

- Message from Ms. Dafoe – the BCHS held its first art award this week. Prizes will be announced on Wednesday and there will be a slideshow to showcase the participants.
- Students are really great – very supportive of our Covid protocols.
- Will be great to get more of the field back to be outside.
- Let us know if your student needs to make changes to at-home learning.
- Anne-Marie – Sat with her son before spring break for the day of school. It was really isolating and lonely to have only one other kid in the on-line chat. He seemed happy to have her there – is it possible to get another camera in class to see the person asking the question. Maya - Other things that can be done – someone to scribe the questions/notes. Took a course on at-home learning. We are offering it for just a couple of students not in-class. If there is something specific you can think of please do let us know. It's very time consuming and a lot of extra work to prepare for both in class and at-home learning.
- Anne-Marie - It is definitely two separate jobs and a lot of work so thank you to all teachers for working with us. Thanks to Mike for always checking in on us.

Chair Report

Questions

Next Meeting: May 17, 2021, 4:15 pm

Adjournment: 5:08 pm