

SAC Meeting Minutes

16 April 2025 / 6:30 PM

ATTENDEES

Elected Members: Attendees: Richelle Wheeler (Chair), Glenn Kremp (Co-chair/safety), Lynsey K. (Communications)

Committee Members: Robynne McKinley (Parent Rep), Kayla Nugent (Family Rep), Karen Secher (Teacher Rep),

Parent Representatives: Sarah Turnbull, Angela Martin, Alyssa Lioutas, Katya Nudzik (Extra-Ed), Julia Salerno, Megan Evans, Rebecca Williams, Mylene Bitong

Regrets: Shannon Howanyk (Secretary), Benn Brisland (Treasurer), Cory Megitt (IT Rep), Anna Dewar Gully (Anti-Bully Rep), Natalie Da Silva (French Immersion Rep),

AGENDA

6:30 Welcome and Intro - Richelle Wheeler

- Student council to make signs for dog poop.
- Student council putting on Talent show April 28th
- Charity Status investigation finalized. SAC does not qualify
- Go through fundraisers next meeting to see what we keep
 - Purdy's fundraiser had about \$1,200 in profit
 - Mabel Labels fundraiser makes a profit with low cost and low effort
- Battery drive update
 - Close to 3000 lbs of batteries collected
 - Next year we should start earlier to have more organization
- Ward 18 is making a Whatsapp group chat to connect with parents
- Parent Social Update: Food, drinks, decor, games on track

6:50 Before, After and Lunch Care at Birch Cliff - Ms. Katya

- TDSB vendor/educational partner
- They get a permit and the run extra curricular clubs (as there is a shortage)
- Clubs include robotics, lego, athletics, music, visual arts, martial arts, chess and more
- No admin or parent involvement needed
- Affordable to everyone - option to select I can't afford as well as I would like to fund another child
- Free enrichment program for teachers that allow them to use their classroom

7:03 Treasurer Update - Richelle Wheeler

- 29K balance
 - 10K in promised money
- Allowed to carry over 10K for next school year
- Parent Social sponsorship secured so event will run a profit

7:05 Principal/Vice Principal Update - Angi Faraone / Michelle Lipp

- Next school year updates
 - Proposed class breakdown (English)
 - 3.0 Kindie classes
 - 4.0 Primary classes
 - 1.0 Grade 3 / 4 split
 - 5.0 Junior / Intermediate
 - Proposed class breakdown (French)
 - 2.0 French Kindies
 - 3.0 Primary
 - 1.0 Grade 3 / 4 split
 - 3.0 Junior/Intermediate
 - Total 28.5 Teachers (22 classrooms in use)
 - 4.19 Prep delivery
 - 1.5 special ed
 - 0.5 Vice Principal teaching assistint
 - Hiring 6 new teachers. Proposed breakdown
 - 4.0 Prep
 - 0.5 Library
 - 1.0 Resource
 - 0.5 French Resource

- All classrooms will be in use and the primary gym in the basement
 - Ms Ribble will go to the classroom instead of music room
- Quebec trip last week of May
- May 14th welcome to Kindie
- Proposed Learning Block - Balanced Day Model
 - Learning Block 8:45-10:25
 - Recess 1: 10:25-11:10
 - Learning Block 2 11:10-12:50
 - Recces 2: 12:50 - 1:35
 - Learning Block 3: 1:35 - 3:15
 - Teacher are require a mandatory uninterrupted 40 min break
 - Getting Staff, parent, child feedback plus approved by superintendent
- Bullying
 - Assembly to address bullying was May 2nd
 - Anonymous survey will be going out shortly
 - Bullying is an issue - admin have limited power to address bullying especial with primary student (grade 3 and under no suspensions)
 - Police involvement as a last resort
 - Majority of incidents of bully are at recess and lunch as there is less supervision
 - Balanced Day Model as a proposal to help reduce bullying by increasing supervision during recess/lunch

7:41 Fun Fair- Alyssa Lioutas

- Still looking for some more corporate sponsors and silent auction donations
- Ashley O'Rourke to sponsor printing and graphic design sponsor
- Variety Village wheelchair basketball in the gym

7:48 Teacher / Sports Update - Karen Secher

- 5% Coed Volleyball finals
- 7/8 coed volleyball finals - blue pendant
- Track day Grade 4 + on April 14
- Kindie Track in June
- Jump Rope for Heart in June Date TBD
- Track and Field Dates:
 - May 6 Birchmount Track Meet
 - June 3 Conference Finals
 - June 10 City Finals

7:52 Open Forum / Q&Q

- No update on condos and playground
- Parent vs. Kids on track

7:54 Meeting adjourned

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RESOLVED ITEMS

- SAC does not qualify for charity status - we are not able to give tax receipt for donations