



# BEDFORD PARK

## BEDFORD PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

~ MINUTES ~

Tuesday November 8, 2022

7:00pm – **Parent** Council meeting

Parent Council Email: [bedfordparkpc@gmail.com](mailto:bedfordparkpc@gmail.com)

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### Attendees

Gillian Mar (Co-Chair) Lesley Dyer (Co-Chair) Yvonne Chao (Treasurer) Vikki Shimoda (Secretary)	<u>Members at Large (Add members)</u> Samara Enchin Crystal Harrop - Absent Jennifer Duxbury Jennifer Dufresne - Absent Jennifer Morawetz Laura Barnett Janet Fong - Absent Heather Robertson - Absent Kate Stark Jessica Shames Janet Stone  <u>Administration:</u> Susan Pitre Melissa Berger Kendra Hatch Glen Henneberry	<u>Other Attendee's:</u> - See Appendix A below
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### 1. Call to order at 7:05pm

### 2. **Welcome** – Lesley Dyer & Gillian Mar

- **Agenda Review**
- **Previous minutes Approval – October 11, 2022**
  - i. Motioned by: Vikki Shimoda
  - ii. Seconded by: Lesley McCabe

### 3. **Administrative Welcome**

- **Land acknowledgement** – Jill Kelsall
- **Welcome** – Susan Pitre



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## 4. Administrative Updates – Susan Pitre & Jill Kelsall

- **Back to School**

- i. Great to see everyone back in the building today post-strike, felt like first day of school all over again.

- **Facility Updates (Susan Pitre)**

- i. *Library*

- 1. Bookcases have been ordered (there was a delay because many quotes were required, and it took longer than hoping to get these quotes)
    - 2. Hope to be up and running at the beginning of the new year.

- ii. *Pool Update*

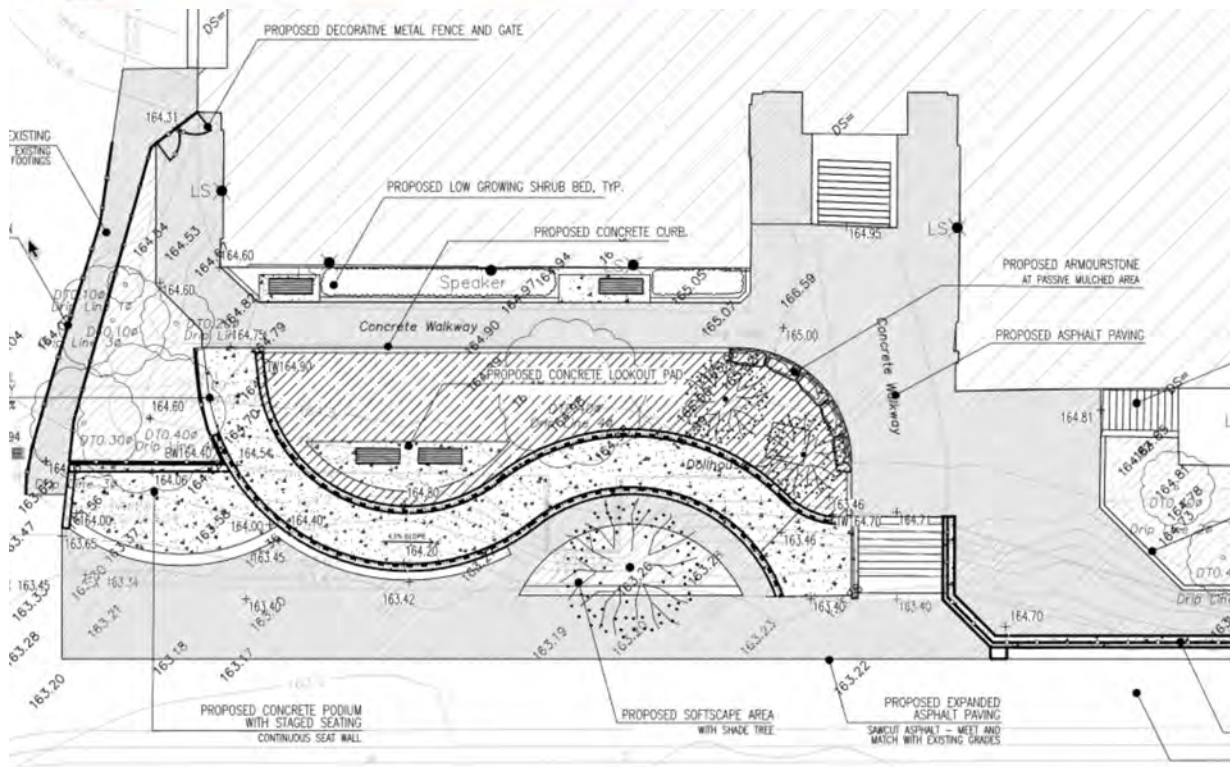
- 1. Work still being done and do not have an update.

- iii. *Wooden bleachers*

- 1. We have created a prelim draft of what the new area will look like.
    - 2. It will go as far as the small playground and include:
      - a. New retaining wall with fencing, with one long seating area
      - b. Potentially move or add new flagpole
      - c. Updating walkway and making it accessible for all
      - d. More seating along the front of the soccer pitch
    - 3. Not Included:
      - a. Playscape – This was in the original plan but do not have the funds to do this right now. (Would be around 40-50K)
    - 4. No timelines right now but going to guess it might start next summer.
    - 5. **Question:** Would it be possible to be a rubberized surface to help with drainage. Can we fundraise about it.
      - a. We can ask and see what would be involved for this to be included.
    - 6. **Question:** Would love to see the little playhouse brought back in some form or another
      - a. Can investigate it with the vendor when decided.



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- **Academic update (Jill Kelsall)**

- i. Media Studio Grant Requested**

- 1. Mr. McLean – submitted a grant to help install a sound studio “Change Makers”, for things such as podcasts for the school and to be in the library.

- ii. Report Cards**

- 1. They are coming out next week
    - 2. Emails tomorrow to start booking online for parent/teacher interviews (Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup>)
    - 3. Will have the choice of in person, online or phone
    - 4. New Admin system - The first introduction for our staff this year for a new report card system was 4 weeks ago. The staff have done a stellar job at coming together and get these done. Please be patient with teachers as it has been a large learning curve.

- iii. Police Reference Check**

- 1. You can now bring a personal cheque instead of a money order.



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## 5. Parent Council update

- **Fundraising – Jenn Duxbury**
  - i. Purdy's Chocolate Christmas Fundraiser
    - 1. In the process of setting up the App right now and getting it ready – Details to come soon.
    - 2. Order deadline will be Sunday Nov 27<sup>th</sup>
    - 3. Pick up December 13<sup>th</sup> at a location TBD on Golfdale
  - ii. Planting with Kindergartens
    - 1. It went great and met lots of new parents.
    - 2. Big thank you to the custodian team for helping get things ready.
  
- **Events – Jessica Shamess**
  - i. New team and working through some ideas:
    - 1. Potential Holiday Toy Drive
      - a. Looking a vendors
      - b. Jill Kelsall – We were approached looking for donations and will reach out to the PC and see how we can work on this together with them.
    - 2. Winter Family Skating event
      - a. Looking at locations, timing, and costs
    - 3. Potential ribbon cutting ceremony for the library
  
- **Pizza Lunches – Beth Lauer**
  - i. It is under the way and excited to start again
  - ii. There was a typo – it is the 25<sup>th</sup> and not the 26<sup>th</sup>
  - iii. Last day to order on Cash Online is November 18<sup>th</sup>, reminders to come this week and next.
  
- **Sports / Club Update – Kate Stark**
  - i. ExtraEd – was hoping to launch in the fall but will be starting an 8-week session starting in January (Tuesdays and Thursdays at Lunch time).

### Extraed Lunch Programs

- TDSB approved vendor
- 8 week session starting in January on Tuesdays/Thursdays
- Space for 20 kids per program
- Price is \$196+ tax clubs are pay-what-you-can
- Most programs are k-4 and 5-8
- Large variety of program offerings, including:
  - > Chess
  - > Financial Literacy
  - > Sports
  - > Yoga
  - > Lego
  - > Robotics
  - > Coding
  - > Art
  - > Music





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- ii. Sunshine for Seniors – will be coming back again in the new year.

## Sunshine for Seniors – Bloom Project

- This project was created to bring happiness to seniors living alone and in long term care facilities.
- The project consists of two parts:
  1. Fundraising through go fund me: Last year approximately \$3,500 was raised to purchase daffodils to deliver to seniors.
  2. Cards: Each Bedford class/student is asked to make cards to be delivered along with the flowers.



- **Grade 8 Grad – Janet Stone**
  - i. Graduation is June 27<sup>th</sup> and will be at the Cricket Club again this year --- call out for more volunteers
  - ii. Fundraising
    1. Poinsettia - This is up and running. Last day to order is November 24<sup>th</sup> – Pick up December 6<sup>th</sup>
    2. Holiday Hop – Working through these details
    3. Bake Sale if there is a holiday Concert or another event/option
  - iii. Grad Sweatshirts are being worked on
- **Sports**
  - i. Any updates on teachers volunteering?
  - ii. Hockey
    1. Grade 7&8
    2. Mr. H, Ms. Hatch and Pitre looking to details for tryouts
  - iii. Volleyball
    1. For grade 7&8 boys
  - iv. Basketball
    1. Grade 7&8 Girls (boys) and basketball (girls)

**Question:** Is it possible to have just grade 7 and 8 separate, as some kids (grade 7) feel they won't make the team if always including grade 8 also.  
-It is usually this way with the numbers available and staff available.



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- **Grade 7 and 8 Activities**
  - i. After the holiday hop there is an hour set aside for the grade 7 & 8 to have their own dance after.
- **Bedford Wear**
  - i. We are looking to reopen Bedford wear for the holiday season
  - ii. Communications to come on this.
- **Lunch Mom**
  - i. For those parents that missed yesterday (Monday), there will be a lieu/ price off or those that had Monday lunch and re-enroll in the new year.

## APPENDIX A: Attendance

Talya Feldberg	Sam Ip Osler	Daniel Galliera	Minh-Hien Le
Beth Lauer	Judy	Connie Song	Kristi Murl
Tim Wilkinson	Linda Pak	Xin Wang	Rhonda Rossi
Tara Quigley	Lou Swinden-Payne	Amanda Wang	Cathy Kim
Sarah	Jeannette	Baye Mahoney	

## APPENDIX B: 2022/2023 Budget





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## Bedford Park School Parent Council Budget (2022/2023)

	2022/2023 Budget	2021/2022 Budget	Change	2021/2022 Actual
<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Enrichment</b>				
Teacher Enrichment	\$ 11,025	\$ 10,500	\$ 525	\$ 5,548
School Wide Literacy/Numeracy	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	
Equity and Well Being	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ 2,514
Technology & Technology Programs	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	
Science Labs (7&8)*	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ -	
Principal Discretionary	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ -	
Support Teachers				
Sports Enrichment	\$ 2,750	\$ 2,000	\$ 750	\$ 1,970
Music	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,175
Library	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 400	\$ 1,524
French	\$ 600	\$ 500	\$ 100	
ESL	\$ 150			
Special Ed.	\$ 600			
Drama/Dance	\$ 300	\$ 400	\$ 650	
Swimming	\$ -		\$ -	
Outdoor Space/Classroom	\$ -	\$ 1,500	(\$ 1,500)	
Online & In School Classroom Engagement	\$ -	\$ 6,000	(\$ 6,000)	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 31,725</b>	<b>\$ 36,800</b>	<b>(\$ 5,075)</b>	<b>\$ 12,731</b>
<b>Community</b>				
Grade 8 Graduation	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500
Parent Council Discretionary	\$ 1,900	\$ 300	\$ 1,600	
Parent Engagement	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,000	\$ 200	
Community OutReach	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	
Appreciation Events*	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ -	\$ 150
<b>Capital</b>				
School Wide Event - Outdoor/Art	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 430
Facility Improvement	\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000	
<b>Extracurricular Support</b>				
Programs/Club Funding	\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000	
<b>Others</b>				
Bank Charges (Interest)	(\$ 100)	(\$ 100)	\$ -	\$ 18
Website MTCE and improvements	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 28
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 13,350</b>	<b>\$ 6,550</b>	<b>\$ 6,800</b>	<b>\$ 2,126</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 45,075</b>	<b>\$ 43,350</b>	<b>\$ 1,725</b>	<b>\$ 14,857</b>
TDSB Parent Council	\$ 808	\$ 806	\$ 2	\$ 806
<b>Total Budget/Spend</b>	<b>\$ 45,883</b>	<b>\$ 44,156</b>	<b>\$ 1,727</b>	<b>\$ 15,663</b>