



BEDFORD PARK

BEDFORD PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

~ MINUTES ~

Tuesday April 18, 2023

7:00pm – **Parent** Council meeting

Parent Council Email: bedfordparkpc@gmail.com

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Attendees

<p>Gillian Mar (Co-Chair) Lesley Dyer (Co-Chair) Yvonne Chao (Treasurer) Vikki Shimoda (Secretary)</p>	<p><u>Members at Large (Add members)</u> Samara Enchin Crystal Harrop Jennifer Duxbury - Absent Laura Barnett - Absent Janet Fong - Absent Heather Robertson - Absent Kate Stark - Absent - Absent Jessica Shamess - Absent Janet Stone Kathy Clark - Absent Beth Lauer - Absent</p> <p><u>Administration:</u> Susan Pitre Jill Kelsall Kendra Hatch Glen Henneberry - Absent</p>	<p><u>Other Attendee's:</u> - See Appendix A below</p>
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1. Call to order at 7:06pm

2. Welcome –Gillian Mar

- **Agenda Review**
- **Previous minutes Approval – February 21st, 2023**
 - i. Motioned by: Vikki Shimoda
 - ii. Seconded by: Crystal Harrop

3. Administrative Welcome

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



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4. Administrative Updates – Susan Pitre & Jill Kelsall

○ Facility Updates (Susan Pitre)

- i. *Nothing new to update regarding pool lifeguards.*
- ii. *Renovation on roofing this summer.*
 1. *Will post outside the pool that it will be happening this summer.*
- iii. *Outdoor Elevation Area*
 1. *Had contractors come and bid on the job.*
 2. *Waiting to hear next steps.*

○ Academic update (Susan Pitre)

- i. *Grade 3 and Grade 6 EQAO*
 1. *Grade 3 – 24th to 30th of May*
 2. *Grade 6 - 29th of May to 1st of June*
 3. *Will be completed online (past accommodations will now be available in the tools online (extra time, calculators, reading of questions etc.) for everyone.*
 4. *Please try to have your kids at school for these days.*
- ii. *Training for Kindergarten and Grade 1 teachers of the new “Foundations Program”*
 1. *Initiative by Ontario Human Rights to read.*
 2. *Combination of Print / Laminates / Puppets materials*
 3. *Training is happening with teachers and ECE’s*
 4. *Seeing great impact on this so far.*

Question: Is any of the program funnelling through to the grade 2 students?

1. *Not right now, but maybe next year*
2. *For these grades, we have the empower program running for them*

○ Athletics

- i. *Badminton is up and running.*
- ii. *Ultimate and Slow pitch is coming up next, forms have been submitted.*
- iii. *Track and Field is getting ready – in school trials will be:*
 1. *Grade 7 & 8 – April 27th (Rain date April 28th)*
 2. *Grade 4 & 6 - May 1st (Rain date May 3rd)*



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Question: Could we open Bedford wear again? Lesley to investigate getting it open again.

Susan: Is it possible to get the numbers added to the ones PC had purchased by the company.

2. Parent Council update

- **Community Night – Gillian Marr**
 - i. *Email sent out this afternoon to drum up volunteer support. There is a sign-up genius:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0944A8AE2CA1F9C25-community>*
 - ii. *We really need the parents to step up and get help with this event, it is our biggest of the year.*
 - iii. *Great opportunity for parents to get involved.*
 - iv. *Also, if you know anyone looking to sponsor this event, we have lots of opportunities for sharing and helping promote companies as well.*
 - v. *It will be June 8th 5:30-8:30pm – there are some internal conversations about rain dates and what our options will be.*
- **By-Laws – Lesley Dyer**
 - i. *We have to submit our by-laws*
 - ii. *Gill and Lesley are review it in detail, but if anybody has any feedback you can reach out to the Bedford park PC email.*
- **Club Update – Lesley Dyer**
 - i. *ExtraEd*
 1. *Reminder that it is running right now and there are still spots available.*
 - a. <https://extraed.ca/login/>
 - b. *username Bedfordpark123@gmail.com*
 - c. *password Bedfordpark123*
 - d. *PROGRAMS > select a club > view details*
- **Grade 8 Grad – Janet Stone - bedfordparkgrad2023@gmail.com**
 - i. *Tuesday June 27th at the Cricket Club*
 1. *Photo Booth*
 2. *Buffet Style meal*
 - ii. *Yearbook is in progress.*
 - iii. *Have a New York City trip coming up in a few weeks.*



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- iv. *Freezie Fridays*
 - 1. *Starting Friday April 28th*
- v. *Bake Sale*
 - 1. *June 8th in partner with Community Night*
- vi. *Grade 7 class hosts the post-graduation reception, Rhonda Rossi has offered to help and is looking for other parents in Grade 7 to help out.*

APPENDIX A: Attendance

Talya Feldberg	Rhonda Rossi	An Nguyen	Linda P
Cynthia Kay	Ben Singer	Minh-Hien Le	Shannon Knights
Debbie Abreu	Lin	Melissa Wilchesky	Jen
D. Abraham-Harris	Michelle Gregory	Carmen	Andrea Torre
Sally Shi			