

Belfast School Council

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 19, 2017 7:00pm

Parent Council AGM Meeting Called to Order at: 6:59pm

Approve last meeting minutes: Beth approves

Accept Agenda: Cheryl approves

1. Year end summary by Chair - **see attached**
2. Nomination and Election

Meeting turned over to Kyle Nichol and Jana El-Guabaley 7:08pm

The Vice Chair

The Vice Chair assists the chair with duties, as assigned, and, in the absence of the chair assumes the duties of the chair.

Nominated: David Thistlethwaite

Elected: David Thistlethwaite

Secretary

Is responsible for keeping accurate minutes of all meetings and distributes to them to the chair and recording attendance at the meetings.

Nominated: Jodi Garagen

Elected: Jodi Garagen

Lead Volunteer

The Lead Volunteer is responsible for recruiting and orienting volunteers and matching volunteers to volunteer opportunities.

Nominated: Amber Anderson-Godfrey

Elected: Amber Anderson- Godfrey

Key Communicator

The Key Communicator is responsible for building and enhancing a connection between parents/school communities and Calgary's public education system.

Nominated: Cheryl Dueck

Elected: Cheryl Dueck

Kindergarten Representative

The Kindergarten Representative is responsible for attending council meetings with the purpose of informing kindergarten parents of council events and activities. The kindergarten representative will communicate with the kindergarten teacher in order to coordinate communication with parents. They may also assist the Lead Volunteer in recruiting Kindergarten parent volunteers.

This position can be a shared position.

Nominated: Cheryl Dueck (am Kindergarten)

Elected: Cheryl Dueck

We Care Club Liaison

The We Care Care Club Liaison is responsible for advising Council on the activities of the We Care Club. They will meet with the We Care Club to help coordinate planning and activities throughout the year.

Nominated: Corrine Davis

Elected: Corrine Davis

Directors at Large (2)

Is available to vote in the event that a quorum is needed.

Nominated: Wendy Couronne, Tabatha Sandford

Elected: Wendy Couronne, Tabatha Sandford

Meeting turned over to Robbie 7:27pm

Babysitters presented with their thank you gift. Mollie & Sam. gift card

Adjourned 7:31pm

Next meeting September 18, 2017 @ 6:30pm

Belfast School Council Annual Report:

Reporting Year 2016/2017

Executive Council:

Chairperson – Robbie-Lynn Nichol, Vice Chairperson - Tabatha Sandford, Secretary – Corrine Davis, Volunteer Coordinator – Amber Anderson, Key Communicator – Chelsey Massini, Kindergarten Co-Representatives -- Mandi Henn and Caitlyn Dillman, Directors at Large- David Thistlethwaite, Wendy Couronne,

Meeting Dates:

We met a total of 9 times on the following dates:

September 28th 2016, October 24th, November 28th, January 23rd 2017, February 27th, March 20th, April 24th (also our Special By-Law Amendment Meeting), May 15th, June 19th (our AGM for 2016/2017 school year)

Date of the First School Council Meeting of the Year: September 28th, 2016

School Council Activities:

This year our School Council focused on engagement and inclusion. We continued to grow our Facebook page, began a webpage, contributed to our community's monthly newsletter and kept up our school bulletin board. We focused on engaging more of the parents of Belfast and saw growth in our monthly meeting attendance. We also added a new position for next year, We Care Club Liaison, our hope with this position is to work more closely with the We Care Club on the timing of school events and to create and awareness around the work of the We Care Club.

This year at Belfast we settled into a good routine and seemed to work well with administration and parents to promote our school culture. We want to thank everyone who attended our meetings, came out to volunteer and gave their time to hold a position on Council. We could not have done this without each and every person who came along side and helped make our school great.

We hosted a Staff Appreciation lunch to celebrate our fantastic teachers and staff. We supported the grade 6 farewell activities and supported our school's "We Care Club" mission to build a school in Haiti, as well as their donations to the Make a Wish Foundation. Our beautification committee saw their hard work come to life as our new playground was installed and new trees were planted. We attended kindergarten orientation in an effort to recruit and activate parent support for council next year. Brand new this year we hosted of first annual JDRF walk and fun-lunch. We partnered with the Belfast Ambassadors to raise awareness and money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The walk and the fun-lunch were both a huge success. Our students learned so much about Juvenile Diabetes and we continued an awareness and inclusiveness that is very special at Belfast. We also partnered with the North East Calgary Adopt a Family Society to provide funds for new Phys. Ed. equipment and new sound equipment. N.E.C.A. is a community society that provides money for schools in the North East. This will be an on going relationship and we are so thankful for the investment in our school. We hosted three

lunchtime courses for our students: Home Alone, Babysitting, and 'Strangers and Dangers'. To finish off the year we hosted a watermelon and popsicle table at Summerfest.

Our school council made a change to our By-Laws this year by holding a Special By-Law Amendment meeting in ^{April} May. The change that resulted from this vote is:

- We voted to add a We Care Club Liaison.

School Council Chairperson

Date

