

# Belfountain Public School Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Tuesday, September 17, 2019  
**Time:** 6:00pm  
**Location:** Library

## 1. Welcome and Introductions

Members in attendance:

April Campbell, Chair	Angela McLean, Secretary
Diane Sardi	Ed Aube
Bridget Cauthery	Amanda Zubchinsky
Sabrina Valleau	Holly Monkman
Lynn Bristoll, Principal	Shannon Moss
Janice Haines, Teacher	Jill Moss
Robert Rees	Marie DeBartolo
Mahana Macken	Balwinder Sohi
Janice Graham	

## 2. Approval of Minutes

- a. June 4, 2019 minutes approved

## 3. Approval of Agenda

- a. No additions

## 4. Principal's Report

- Update
  - Farm to School program, monthly package that includes local foods and recipes has continued; this year a change to 3 times to order
  - Peel District School Board has three goals: Engage math (basic operations & purposeful practice); Equity; Empowering modern learners (critical thinking skills, not just about technology)
  - Grade 3, 4, 5, 6 went to Terra Cotta Conservation Area
  - Flag Football – meet on Oct. 8 & 10
  - Grade 2-5 Cross Country Sign up – meet on October 25
  - Grade 3-6 Junior Soccer – meet on October 25
  - Belfountain received Gold Eco School status
  - Learning for a Sustainable Future (lsf-1st.ca) through the Board may do a pilot at Belfountain, aligned to 17 UN sustainability goals, more details to come should the pilot proceed
- Calendar of Events
  - Check school website for upcoming dates
  - Tuesday, Sept 24 – PA Day
  - Thursday, Sept 26 – Terry Fox Run, whole school walk, parents are welcome to join
  - Thursday, Sept 26 – evening Open House
  - Friday, Sept 27 – orange shirt day, anything orange to commemorate the history and legacy of residential schools and the strength and fortitude of residential school survivors and descendants
  - Saturday, Sept 28 – Salamander Festival in Belfountain Village
    - Mr. Loughnane will be at the festival with a booth to decorate a cloth bag
    - Grade 4s are developing a QR code scavenger hunt
    - Volunteer sign-up for the booth will be sent via email
  - October 4 – World Teachers' Day
  - October 7 – Picture Day
  - October 11 – PA Day
  - October 24 – Great Start Workshop available for interested Council members

## 5. Financial Update

- Year-end balance 2018/2019 \$6,087 is carrying over for this year
- Financial statements are available in the office with details

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### 6. Discussion

- a. School Council Nominations
  - Robert Rees, Co-Chair
  - Sabrina Valleau, Co-Chair
  - April Campbell, Treasurer
  - Angela McLean, Secretary
- b. Hot Lunches
  - Pizza, cookie and milk orders are up and running
    - Orders closed for orders to October will open again for Nov-Dec
  - Pasta lunches will be offered in 4 week increments for ordering
    - Parents must pack cutlery for pasta lunch
  - Lunch Lady service from Brampton has extended service to Belfountain
    - Full service via online ordering system, no School Cash Online or volunteer requirements
    - To be considered for future
  - Will need a volunteer to take over ordering, coordination via School Cash Online and inventory management – Shannon Moss volunteered
- c. Budget Requests
  - Farm to School rebate will be coming
  - Honey Fundraiser will occur again this year
  - Cider and apples for Open House – **Approved up to \$75**
    - Request families to bring a cup for cider
  - Experience Groove – \$1085 – **Approved**
    - 3 different sessions - \$600
      - Kindergarteners 30 min
      - Primary and Juniors 50 min each
      - Lunch and learn for staff
      - 1-hour evening session – community building - \$150
    - Possibility to have a groove-a-thon fundraiser
  - Salamander Festival reusable bags and paint - \$400 – **Approved**
- d. 2019/20 Planning
  - Four areas of focus were identified from parents in 2017
    1. building a strong sense of community
    2. supporting ECO School
    3. promoting positive mental health
    4. enhancing educational experiences
  - Volunteers are needed to ensure activities are successful
    - Volunteer sign-up will be available at Open House
    - Buddy system for volunteers to encourage new volunteers
    - Volunteer Coordinator from Parent Council – Open Position
      - Teachers can specify volunteer needs
      - Possible use of Google Forms for future sign-ups
  - Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, November 30
    - Subcommittee will be formed for planning
  - Apparel will be displayed at Open House for ordering
- e. Future Meetings
  - Teacher budget requests
  - Apparel for students and teachers
- f. Next Parent Council Thursday, October 17 @ 6:00pm

### 7. Adjournment @ 8:00pm