

Summerside School Council - Wednesday, June 15, 2022 via Google Meet

In Attendance: Jenna Robertson, Stuart van Oostveen, Rebecca Ryan, Melissa Humphries, Jenna AuCoin, Becky Stanistic, Andrea Gordon, Angela Ronald, Bobby Chauhan, Crystal-Lee Savage, Erica Roy, Sui-Ling Lee, Sonia Lamba (Student Representative) Jeff Matthews, Stacey Downing, Chatura Prematunge, Colleen Dwyer, Saaimah Malik

Student Report (Sonia Lamba)

- Student Vote took place June 2. Intermediate volunteers acted as poll clerks and kids in all of our Junior and Intermediate classes got to vote. In our riding, we would have elected Liberal candidate, Stephen Blais, just like what happened in the real election
- Graduation will take place in person on Thursday, June 29. There will be a ceremony and a dance. Students are beginning to work on their contributions to the ceremony.
- Grade 7 and 8 field trips are being planned. Grade 8's will go bowling, out for lunch and to the movie Jurassic World. Grade 7's will go to Millenium Park
- Intermediate students will walk to Portobello park soon for our Long Jump competition
- Pride Day is Friday June 17. Freezies and rainbow heart stickers are for sale and students are encouraged to wear rainbow colours. Also on Friday will be an Arts and Crafts sale in the Intermediate hub. All proceeds will go to support an LGBTQ organization.

Principal's Report (Stuart van Oostveen)

- Rebecca will be leaving at the end of the school year to Henry Larsen and Caitlin McIlveen will be the new VP at Summerside
- Staffing going up and three new teachers will be joining us
- One full-time EA has resigned so one of our current EA's, Meghan Grimsley will be moving to the third Autism class. We've hired a new EA, Titi, to fill her role in the mainstream EA position
- We've hired a new ECE as we're gaining a core day ECE position
- Gail Lapointe retiring this year
- Renu Chopra will be filling in the permanent ECE position
- Kindergarten Welcome Night was June 14. We welcomed 32 new kindergarten students
- There will be two pairs of classes and we're hoping to be able to remove the wall more often which will give students the opportunity to learn and play in both halves of the room
- Grade 6 students from Avalon will be coming for a visit
- A lot of field trips are being planned. There is still some constraint with booking trips. They have to be in the Ottawa-Carleton area and there are some school bus shortages for field trips.
- Pride day is happening June 17 and is being sponsored by the Bee Diverse group. Their goal is to celebrate all equity seeking groups and encourage allyship. Pre-order freezies and stickers through school cash online
- Number of students participating in the Black Excellence with students from Sir Wil

Vice Principal's Report (Rebecca Ryan)

- Thank you for flowers and a sincere thank you to the parents for their time and effort and advocacy

Teacher's Report (Melissa Humphries)

- Grade 7 and 8 portobello park - Long Jump Field trip if we have enough parent volunteers
- Report Card writing PD Day on June 3
- We will be having a "Kinder Water Fun Day" the last week of school
- Expression of interest was sent out to all grade 8s to be the valedictorian at the graduation ceremony and

- deliver a speech. 6 students expressed interest and two will be selected
- Some grade 6 and 7's will help welcome the incoming 7's for next September when they tour the school on June 21st
- Some grade 7's will help run events for the Primary students for Amazing Race Canada
- IPRC meetings held with parents on June 8 and June 9, 2022
- Transition meeting was held with Sir Wil on June 2, 2022
- Summer School registration closes on June 17, 2022 for students in grade 6-8
- Field Trips and Special Events
- Transition tour for students attending Gloucester High School's ESL program happening June 20th with ESL Itinerant teacher
- Incoming Avalon grade 7 students will be visiting the school next week

Treasurer's Report

- Year end balance in account of \$11,451.61

Graduation (Bobby Chauhan)

- Council approves to fund \$575 to fund the graduation sign (\$230) plus \$345 for pizza, cake and balloons

Fundraising (Jenna Robertson)

The following is a breakdown of total profits of fundraisers this year. Not included is the total for the Swarm gear:

- \$20.40 Plantables
- \$85.00 Mabel's Labels
- \$623 Purdy's
- \$337.59 Purdy's
- \$75 BP Blitz night
- \$130 BP Blitz night
- \$169 FlipGive
- Total = \$1,439.99

Social Committee (Chatura Prematunge)

- Looking to put out one last newsletter with some information with ongoing fundraisers and some information

Question: Looking ahead to next year, how many, if any of the previous programs (milk program, Maker Space) will be able to go forward?

Answer: We will meet with staff in September and see who is interested in running it. Programs are allowed to happen, just need to have the staff to run them.

Parent Concern Regarding Playground Incident

- There was an altercation between intermediate students on the playground at recess
- The audience was anyone from Grade 1 to Grade 8
- Parents want to know if this issue had been discussed as a school, and whether or not students were aware the issue was being handled
- Parents are informed that the Principal made an announcement that the office had everything under control which was able to prompt conversations in the classroom, if necessary
- Stuart has been consulting with the Superintendent about how to proceed with communication about issue
- Administrators are following up with investigating the altercation and determining if other individuals need to be spoken to

Tree Program

- Has been delayed to fall

Play Structure

- Will table until September

Meeting for September is set for Wednesday, September 21, 2022