



Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board

Bellmoore School Council Minutes
Thursday, December 10, 2020
Via Microsoft Teams

6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Chair/Co-Chair: Leanne Muir, Julia Penman

Minutes: Erin Simic

Teacher Reps: Katie Armstrong, Jennifer Smith, Judy Feaver

Present: Priscilla Mochrie, Laura White, Laurie Behr, Christy Wallingham, Julia Penman, Leanne Muir, Jen Smith, Nadira Stoddart, Lisa Pender, Richard Wouters, Rachel Stewart, Stacey Davis, Erin Simic

Regrets: Sarah Kent, Judy Feaver, Katie Armstrong,

Guest Speaker: Deanna Behnke-Cook

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1.1	Welcome	Julia and Leanne		
2.0	Standing Items			
2.1	Principal's Report	Mrs. Mochrie/ Mrs. White	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome to Laurie Behr, part time administrator at Bellmoore as Ms Penney has gone back to retirement. A Bellmoore student has contracted COVID. No staff or students need to isolate as there has been no close contact. A letter has been posted on the school website and messenger. In a school as large as Bellmoore we are so fortunate to have been able to keep the student body safe and healthy! Reminder to all students to wash your hands regularly and to bring an extra mask as weather temperature is causing masks to get damp quickly. 859 students All classrooms of 25 or less, 1 grade 8 class of 26. We are the largest school in the HWDSB, including high school 83 new technology purchases, including classroom laptops, iPad (60) and projectors. Items have been purchased and many have already been delivered to the school. Mrs White shared parent resources for home learning o the Bellmoore website. https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/bellmoore/files/2020/11/Resources-to-Support-Learning.pdf 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is also a fitness page that has a fitness advent calendar. https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/bellmoore/phys-ed-place/ 	
2.2	Teacher's Report	Jen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report from the FDK team Jen Smith reported from the primary team. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fitness team reported that everyone is progressing well even with the new precautions. Spirit wear should be ready before Christmas break. Reading specialist has had a busy and productive few months. Grade 2 has been the current focus, with grade 1 becoming the focus for the next chunk of time. Sandra Ireland was brought in to help the team become comfortable to MS teams, learning to log in, enter into meetings and raise everyone's confidence level. Grade 3 team will be having a joy day next week. Nothing to report from Katie Armstrong for grades 4-8 	
2.3	Treasurer's Report	Nadira	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With the Mable's Labels funds we have a current balance of \$3,883.94 	
2.4	Fundraising Report	Nadira/Julia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 deposits from Mabel's Labels for over \$200 Nothing yet to report for the Art Shine fundraiser 	
3.0 New Business				
3.1	Guest Speaker		<p>Deana Behnke-Cook, guest speaker spoke to us regarding youth fragility and how to shift from surviving to thriving. @professordeanna</p> <p>Some key take aways;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The biggest indicator of student success is parental involvement! When kids are encouraged to be their authentic self, they flourish Young people are more likely to be resilient and learn from mistakes, as parents we intervene too often. COVID and the time that we are in is teaching our kids off the charts skills and problem solving. Recommended read: The Caudling of the American Mind Recommended research: Get a notebook and list 6 things that YOU want to do. Give yourself 10 weeks to get them done. Daily, write down the things that YOU are truly grateful for. 	
3.2	Updates	Mrs Mochrie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School travel plan was created when Bellmoore was built. The letter has outlined a problem and possible solution. Mrs Mochrie has been pointed towards the right person to send this letter to. The city is willing to do another traffic study in order to see if crossing guards can reallocate. Lockdown went very well. Modified practice lockdown with police presence took place with 3 HPS officers. No update for pathways to be cleared to the park for students that enter the 	

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			school through the rear yard.	
<p>Adjourned at 7:50 pm</p> <p>Next meeting – Thursday January 14th, 2021 6:30pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council meetings will generally be held the 2nd Thursday of each month 				