

Briargreen Public School Council Meeting 17 January 2023

Note: Let us be clear: the smart and handsome Jeffery Joyce, Council Secretary, did NOT orchestrate a coup d'etat against our Council Chair, Ms. Horne, on December 13, 2022. All is well on the Council. Do not worry or spread rumours. Everything is definitely okay and back to normal.

Start Time: Heather Horne, THE Council Chair, brought the Council to order at 18:31.

Location: Briargreen Public School Library.

Sequence of Events:

1. School Council Items:
 - a. The wise and brave Heather kicked off another amazing Council meeting by announcing that Jeffery Joyce, formerly just Council Secretary and writer of Council history, will now also serve as Co-Council Chair. There was much rejoicing.
 - b. Eli McGowan, Council Member at Large (not present), is formulating a survey to enable parents to provide their ideas for fundraising and other fun activities. He will be ready to send the survey out soon.
 - c. Cynthia Williams, School Principal, provided the Council with an updated budget. It was noted that Dale Jamieson, Council Treasurer, was not present for this event. Strike one Dale.
2. Principal's Report:
 - a. The Education Foundation has a super cute slogan: Kids Helping Kids. This foundation allocates resources to students in need around the city of Ottawa. Briargreen will begin holding Tooney Tuesday events February 21, 2023 in support of The Education Foundation.
 - b. The holiday period food bank was considered a success. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Please remember that people are in need all year around and food banks are always willing to accept donations.
 - c. The holiday period clothing collection was also a success. The shadowy network of Principals identified an Ottawa area school with a large group of children who needed the clothing. Despite this generous act it is still not recommended to fully trust your local Principal...
3. Educator's Report:
 - a. The Electives Day went extremely well. As requested by the Council, Elissa Burrows, educator extraordinaire, reported that the 15 teachers who participated spent about \$25 each. This is now noted in the Council minutes and will be budgeted for the next Electives day should Council financial support be requested.
 - b. The School Board will be organizing a Tournament Day. More details to follow but it is anticipated that volunteers will be required.

- c. The Luv2Groove organization will run sessions with the different grades from February 13 to 16.
 - d. The Kindness Club will be conducting fun activities during the Luv2Groove week, so tell your children to keep an eye out for kindness hiding all around the school. Additionally, the Kindness Club will begin holding Spirit Day events on the last Friday of every month.
 - e. For Valentine's Day each teacher will determine what their class activity will be to celebrate this made up, err, I mean wonderful day.
 - f. The Science in Schools event is still up for the Council's decision. The cost will be provided to the Council Chair via email and the Council will electronically determine if we will support.
 - g. The gym equipment has been effectively utilized this school year and it is likely the Council will be requested to replenish certain items. More information to follow.
4. The School Council meeting was adjourned by the Good and Glorious Council Chair at 18:52. The next meeting will take place on February 21, 18:30.

Attendance:

1. Cynthia Willman
2. Elissa Burrows
3. Tashi Lhamo
4. Farbod Karimi
5. Stacey Holmes
6. Kerri Smith
7. Jeffery Joyce