Bayview Hill Elementary School  
School Council Meeting  
Date: Monday, November 16, 2009  

Chair: Wendy Steinberg & Parveen Nath  

Attendees: Paul Woods (Principal), Carol Takagi (Vice-Principal), Joseph Porretti (Teacher Representative), Norm Maddeaux, Nellie Yuen, Janice Newman, Michael Segal, Mike Wade, Shamin Lakhani, Jennifer Ip, Ajay Pahwa, Jennifer Costas, Marcella DeGiorgio, Hae Yung Yim, Kenny Chan, Annie Yu, Joanna Yu, Shashi Sharma, Sandra Piperas, Lei Chen, Karen Drakes, Malini Mathur, Sam Safarian, Mira Wong, David Cheng  

1. School News Update  

a. H1N1 – Mr. Woods confirmed that there has been number of confirmed H1N1 cases at our school. The first wave has hit everywhere and there was a sharp decrease in attendance, which has now plateaued. Cleaning, disinfecting and hand washing practices have been reviewed. If anyone shows signs of fever, they are referred to the office for verification, and if fever is present, they are quarantined and parents called to pick up the child.  

b. Reporting and Student-led Conferences – Mr. Woods informed everyone that report cards would be coming home on December 2\textsuperscript{nd}. Student-led conferences will be held on the evening of December 3\textsuperscript{rd} and the morning of December 4\textsuperscript{th}. A new element this year, added in response to parent feedback, is an optional 5 minute conversation with the teacher.  

c. Staffing Changes – Mrs. Takagi informed everyone that Michael Davies has left our school for a full time teaching job. Mr. Stuart Sommers will be filling that position. Heather Dungan has left early to start her maternity leave and they are in the process of hiring someone to fill her position. Katie Salvaggio will be also leaving early to start her maternity leave.  

d. ECOSchools – Mrs. Takagi confirmed the goal to get Bayview Hill Elementary School certified as an ECOSchool. A group consisting of teams of teachers, parents, and caretakers will be formed to address environmental issues.  

2. Council Update – Wendy passed around the subcommittee list. After meeting up with your subcommittee group, if there are any issues to be
addressed at a Council meeting, this should be added to the agenda in advance of the meeting.

3. Sub-committee Updates:

a. Fundraising – QSP – The first fundraiser for the year will be QSP. The brochure will be sent home with each student this Friday. The program will be explained to the students, and the students will have two weeks to return the forms. The second fundraiser will be the Dance-a-Thon, to be held on April 16th. The theme will be “Super Star for the day”.

b. Community Engagement – The staff appreciation lunch is set for Friday, June 18th. BBQ/Faces of Bayview Hill is tentatively set for Tuesday, June 8th 5:30 – 8. We will need lots of help with this event. The group is also considering a possible talent show, a guest speaker, a movie night or a games night. These events are still to be decided on, and depend on how many Tuesdays that are available for events. Mira has organized the basketball program to start next week. There was a discussion on whether we should have 2 sports activities or 3. It was decided that we would have 8 weeks of basketball, 6 weeks of hip-hop and 8 weeks of volleyball. There will be a cost of $10/lesson for the hip-hop session.

c. IBPYP Review – Mike informed us that it is still on-going and he will update us as soon as everything has been confirmed.

4. Sandra informed everyone that total revenue collected this year is close to $109,000, which is more than last year (almost $106,000) and the year before that (almost $102,000). She is trying to estimate the expenses for the year.

5. Mr. Porretti presented to Council the need for a Canon Camcorder and memory cards, at a total cost of $436.54, to be used in the multimedia language and media study for the junior division. There was a suggestion to add a 3-year warranty for $60.98. The motion to buy the camcorder and memory cards for a total cost of up to $498 passed with everyone voting in favour.

6. Next meeting – Monday, December 14, 2009 @7:15 pm.