



# Brookside Junior High

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## SAC Minutes for 11 April 2024

### In Attendance

Cameron DeBaie, Jennifer Helm, Laura Slaunwhite, Lisa Mansfield, Evelyn Lamplugh, Hannah Kay, Patricia Laws, Sawyer Prescott, Tracey Vandewater, Tammy Richards.

### Regrets

Angela Feetham, Amanda Feetham Marjorie Conrad, Hannah Ubsdell, Michelle Smith

### Meeting Minutes Approval

Cameron moves to approve February minutes, Sawyer seconds.

### Business Arising from previous minutes:

- SAC Chair update
- Spending funds - \$5,716.49 to spend, brainstorm.

### New Business (open)

- How can we spend the \$5716.49? Brainstorm
  - Mad Science? Shakespeare Canada, McBeth is coming in April, could be used towards food costs for grade 9 boat cruise. More teacher requests will remind teachers to put in more requests. More books, silent dance (headphones – Jen will look into pricing). One-piece heavy equipment – will research? A BBQ and a propane tank. Pop up tent for shade?  
Student Success Plan (SSP) and Goals - Standing agenda item & Principals report:
- How did Genius hour go? It was a great learning experience for students to be able to decide what they wanted to learn about. Parents thought it was great and impressive what the kids picked.

**Literacy Goal** - To improve student achievement in writing in the areas of organization and language use.

**Math Goal** - To improve student achievement in mathematical problem solving with a focus on number sense.

**Well-being Goal** – Making sure students feel welcome at the school.



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### Principal's Report

- Dessert theatre performance is coming up at the end of the month. Students that are performing have been asking to have a dress rehearsal with grade 5's from PRES. Families can come in that night, will sell tickets in advance.
- Artshine is coming to the school in the next few weeks. They bring in a local artist to work in the art room on lunch hour to do a program with the kids.

### Sports

- Basketball – wrapped up.
- Badminton – wrapped up.
- Wrestling – wrapped up.
- Flag-Football – next few weeks.
- Track & Field – upcoming – looking for parent volunteers.
- Softball – May/June coaches in place.

### Healthy Hunger

- Update: still running strong, running 3 days a week. Will keep it at that for the remainder of this year.

### ILT

- Genius hour showcase
- What's next – Science Projects. Going to do it as inquiry best approach so kids can choose, if some don't want to do their own, they might position it as a challenge for those who want to try that. It might be a science fair type of approach. The challenge is a great idea. SAC can provide supplies if needed – teachers will make request once they figure out their approach.

### Miscellaneous

- Student success Survey – April 22-May 10
  - Families will receive and explanation of that that is in the coming days. Staff will take a long look at this in the Fall, it tells them a lot about what kids think about their school.
  - Guys and Girls Group, run for grade 6's and 8's on Wednesday's. Grade 8 girls group being run by two teachers as well. If it continues to go well, they will start these groups up earlier next year.
  - Parent- Teacher approach in the gym, positive feedback from parents on this approach.
  - Grade 8 exams coming up, kids doing practice exams now.



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### Other/New Business

N/A

### Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting: 9-May-2024 virtual meeting.

#### Meeting Dates & Times 2023-2024

Meeting 1 - October 5 - 6:00pm @ BJHS

Meeting 2 - November 2 - 6:00pm @ Virtual

~~Meeting 3 - January 4 - 6:00pm @ BJHS (cancelled)~~

Meeting 3 - February 1 - 6:00pm @ Virtual

Meeting 4 - April 11 - 6:00pm @ BJHS

Meeting 5 - May 9 - 6:00pm @ Virtual