# **Beaconsfield High School - Annual General Assembly**

Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

#### Chair

Jeremy Asch, current Governing Board Chair

## **Agenda**

- 1. Opening of the Meeting
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- 8. Formation of a Parent Participation Organization (PPO), if applicable
  - 8.1 Roles and Functions of the Parent Participation Organization (PPO)
  - 8.2 Decision Regarding the Formation of a PPO
- 9. Varia
- 10. Closing of the Meeting

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### 1. Opening of the Meeting

Meeting opened with a word of welcome from **BHS Principal**, **Rachel Wilson** and passed onto current **Governing Board Chair**, **Jeremy Asch** 

### 2. Naming of Secretary

Parent, Danielle Leggett volunteered to scribe.

### 3. Approval of the Agenda

lan Chuprun moved to approve the Agenda and Adrian Leggett seconded.

### 4. Approval of Minutes of last year's General Assembly of Parents

There were no minutes from last year's meeting.

### 5. Adoption of the Online Election Procedure

There was a **review of the on-line voting procedure** to be used during the meeting. With no questions being raised, Ovidiu Burlec moved to approve the procedure and Ian Chuprun seconded.

### 6. Governing Board

### 6.1 Roles and Functions of the Governing Board

The governing board meets once per month and plays a consultative role with staff and administration of the school.

The governing board provides for equal representation of parents and school staff. In high schools, two senior students are elected to represent and vote for them as well. The principal attends the meetings, makes proposals and implements the board's decisions but doesn't vote.

The board's main responsibilities are to discuss issues of overall concern to the school such as the implications of Bill 140, major policy items such as a nutrition plan, and to oversee the school's educational project and operating budget. Proposals from the principal on matters such as field trips, fees schedules must also be approved by the board prior to being put into effect.

6.2 Presentation of the Annual Report 2019-2020

The report was presented as is.

6.3 Introduction of the Current Members on Governing Board

**Five members are returning** for the second year of their term: Adrian Leggett, Jeremy Asch, Ovidiu Burlec, Sheila Dunwoodie, and Heidi Ektvedt.

**Three members are completing their two-year term**: Stacy Powell, Terri Tansey, and Kenny Bodanis

- 6.4 Precisions Regarding Available Seats
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- 6.4.4 Candidates Present Themselves

With **three parent seats being up for election**, the following parents introduced themselves and confirmed their interest in Governing Board

- Lori Barrett
- Scott Henderson
- Aimee-Elizabeth Parsons
- Pete Koulocheris

- Steve Bucci
- Eliana Hussein
- Kenny Bodanis
- Stacy Powell

6.5 Election of Parent Representatives on the Governing Board

Following a brief introduction of the candidates, on-line election took place and the **following three parents were elected for a two-year term**:

- Lori Barrett
- Kenny Bodanis
- Aimee-Elizabeth Parsons

6.6 Election of Substitute Parent Representatives on the Governing Board

The following candidates were **confirmed as alternates:** 

• Ian Chuprun

• Steve Bucci

- Scott Henderson
- Brett Hillgartner
- Pete Koulocheris

- Eliana Hussein
- Laura Greiss
- Stacy Powell

#### 7. Parents' Committee

#### 7.1 Roles and Functions of the Parents' Committee

The Parents' Committee representative is expected to **participate in no less than six meetings per school year** and the Board Head Office in Dorval. The meetings consist of consultations, and voting on a variety of topics. In addition to being the **liaison between the school, the Board and other schools within the Board**, the Parent Committee representative also has the **opportunity to participate in a variety of sub-committees.** 

#### 7.2 Election of the Parent Delegate

**Ovidiu Burlec** resubmitted his candidacy and was **acclaimed** in the role.

#### 7.3 Election of the Alternate Parent Delegate

**Adrian Leggett** was also **acclaimed** as the alternate parent representative.

### 8. Formation of a Parent Participation Organization (PPO), if applicable

### 8.1 Roles and Functions of the Parent Participation Organization (PPO)

A PPO will work closely with the Governing Board to encourage parents' participation in various school initiatives such as newsletters, staff appreciation welcome committee, fundraising, etc... The decision of whether to form a PPO is made at the AGA.

Beaconsfield High School has a well established Home & School group that is involved in fundraising, parent workshops, welcome back breakfasts and other initiatives as may be desired.

Key differences between the two groups is that a **PPO is part of the school board's entity**. Funds raised but not spent within the current academic year are to be returned to the School Board. In contrast, **Home & School is a separate entity** requiring parent membership with unspent funds being accumulated year-after-year.

### 8.2 Decision Regarding the Formation of a PPO

A unanimous decision was made to **not form a PPO**.

### 9. Varia

The dates for this year's Governing Board meetings will follow and be emailed.

# 10. Closing of the Meeting

With no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:45p.m.