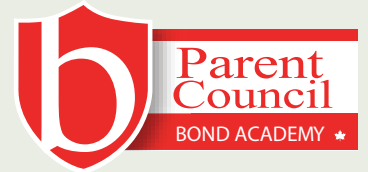


BOND ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW



3 PARENT COUNCIL GENERAL MEETINGS AND SPEAKER SERIES

RAISING RESPONSIBLE CHILDREN

Ronald Morrish

PARENTING THE SOCIAL MEDIA GENERATION

Steve Chapelle

KEEPING OUR KIDS ON TRACK: SUPPORTING OUR KIDS WITH EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING

Laurie Jantzi

2 BOND COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Family Fun Night with Mad Science
- BondFest

New Initiatives Launched

3 Mad Science afterschool extra-curricular programs
53 students participated from age 4 to Grade 6

Shop @ Bond

\$900 in gently used school uniform sales, with \$450 donated to the Junior Council charity Free the Children



\$23,391 CONTRIBUTED TOWARDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES FOR THE BOND COMMUNITY

Athletic Program

- 2 outdoor tents for sporting events
- Cross country and track and field training program

Community Events and Receptions

- BondFest
- Family Fun Night

Student Events and Programs

- Team building events for grades 7-9
- FearlesslyKiND anti-bullying presentation for girls in grades 4-8
- Social Media presentation for grades 9-12

Academic Enrichment

- IXL Math & English Language Arts program
- Professional development for teachers

Extracurricular Activities

- Mad Science - Crazy Chemworks and Young Explorers
- Chess 'N Math Association - Chess Lessons

59 families completed the 2015 Parent Survey

41 families completed the 2013 Parent Survey

DID YOU KNOW?

The **MAC computers** in the library were purchased by the Parent Council in 2012/2013 to support Bond Academy technology initiatives.

This is the **second year** that Parent Council purchased **IXL Math and English**, for students Montessori to Grade 6 and over **72 students** have used the program this year.

Junior Council organized a trip to the Daily Bread Food Bank and raised **\$370 in donations.**

The **purchase of the stage curtains and lighting** was a joint venture between Parent Council and Bond Academy in 2015.

Parent Council

CURRENT EXECUTIVE: Rita Simmons– Chair, Larisa Trabulsi– Vice-Chair, Lisa Bergeron – Treasurer & Andrea Gondova – Secretary
 DIRECTORS AT LARGE: Kim Blackwell, Janet Bowes, Timothy Sullilvan, Awoba Wallace, Pauline Walters, Katherine Waterson & Alex Yep

BOND ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

For the 2015-16 School Year



Dear Bond Community,

It has been a busy and successful school year and we would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge everyone who made it possible. Thank you to John Healey, Jeff Farber, Phil Davies and all of the teachers and staff for their support, guidance and dedication towards our children's education. Thank you to our students and their families for supporting Parent Council programs and initiatives. Finally, thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and whose hard work contributed to making Bond Academy better for all.

During the 2015-16 academic year, the Parent Council's priorities were to contribute to resources that benefit students and support teachers and coaches, expand extracurricular activities that enhance academic success and sponsor events for the enjoyment of the Bond community. The council dispersed \$23,391 as detailed on the attached financial report. The highlights include:

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

- A one year subscription was purchased for the IXL Math & English Language Arts Program, an online learning resource. IXL is approved by the school and provides students with unlimited math and English practice to enrich and supplement what is taught in the classroom. IXL is available at www.ixl.com until September 21, 2016. Usernames and passwords were provided in the fall to students in third-year Montessori, Senior Kindergarten and grades 1 to 6.
- A subscription for Reading A-Z's downloadable English leveled books was purchased to support instruction in comprehension, vocabulary and more with developmentally appropriate books at 29 graduated reading levels.
- The Parent Council funded subsidies for teacher professional development and purchased classroom supplies and a BenQ Projector.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- In the fall, instructors from the Chess 'N Math Association provided lunchtime chess lessons to 35 students in grades 1 to 8, many of whom went on to participate in the Chess à Musique Classique Club in the winter. The student activity fee subsidized the cost of the 8-week program by \$10.00 per student.
- In the spring, instructors from Mad Science provided a hands-on after school program to make learning about science fun. 33 students in grades 1 to 6 participated in an 8-week Crazy Chemworks program and 20 students aged 4 to 6 participated in a 6-week Young Explorers program. The student activity fee subsidized the cost of the lessons by \$39.95 per student. This program was offered based on the results of the Parent Council survey – thank you to the families who completed the survey in the fall and selected a science club as their first choice for an additional extracurricular activity -- we heard you!

ATHLETIC PROGRAM

- Two 10'x10' canopies were purchased, bringing the total to three, plus tarps and water jugs for use during outdoor sporting events like the cross-country and track and field meets and social events like BondFest.
- Coaches from the Flying Angels track and field club taught race techniques and strategies to students on the cross-country and track and field teams.

EVENTS

- Family Fun Night took place on January 28 with dinner, an entertaining "Fire and Ice" show by Mad Science of Toronto and three hands-on activity stations for putty, superballs and UV beads.
- BondFest was held on June 16 to celebrate the end of the school year with a barbecue, popcorn, cotton candy, games and an inflatable bouncy castle, slide and obstacle course. The teamwork by the parents, staff and elementary and secondary student volunteers made this annual fun fair a huge success.



BOND ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

For the 2015-16 School Year (cont.)



PARENT COUNCIL GENERAL MEETINGS AND SPEAKER SERIES

During the 2015-16 school year, there were three general meetings and speaker series, open to all parents and guardians, to discuss Parent Council initiatives and to hear from guest speakers:

- On October 20, we summarized the results of the fall survey including the extra-curricular activities which are important to families. Afterwards, Ronald Morrish, an author and consultant on behaviours and discipline, gave a presentation entitled "Raising Responsible Children" and shared techniques to teach children to be respectful, responsible and cooperative.
- On January 28, parents communicated their concerns and completed feedback forms which were forwarded to the school administration. Then, Steve Chapelle gave a timely presentation on "Parenting the Social Media Generation" with methods to improve privacy and minimize risk to children and their families.
- On April 13, we provided an update on Parent Council projects and information about upcoming events and then Laurie Jantzi supplied tips to help our kids stay on track and succeed in school and life with her presentation entitled "Supporting our Kids with Executive Functioning".

JUNIOR COUNCIL

- 52 students participated in Junior Council meetings, fundraising events and an Eco Garden Group.
- Junior Council voted to support the following 3 charities this year with each charity receiving a \$450 donation from Junior Council:
 - ⇒ Free the Children Charity in partnership with Me to We
 - ⇒ World Wildlife Fund and
 - ⇒ Friends of the Earth

SHOP@BOND

- On May 25, the Parent Council held its inaugural gently used uniform sale. We raised \$900 and split the proceeds 50/50 with the Junior Council who donated \$450 to the Free the Children charity. Thank you to all of the families who donated their gently used uniforms and made Shop@Bond a success!

ONGOING ISSUES

For your information, the Parent Council is liaising with the school administration on the following:

- improving school cleanliness
- educating the Bond Community about the recycling program
- increasing the variety of nutritious food options in the cafeteria and posting a weekly menu online
- improving wireless connectivity throughout the school
- enhancing the Bond Academy website, including a secure parent portal
- providing an Apple Education PD session for teachers

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL POSITION

(for the year ending June 2016)

Opening Balance: \$22,427
 Total Gross Revenues: \$1,399
 Total Gross Expenses: \$23,391
 Closing Balance: \$435

For a detailed summary of expenditures, please refer to the Parent Council 2015-2016 Annual Financial Report.

2016/2017 BOND ACADEMY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The elections for the renamed Bond Academy Community Council will be held in late September; please refer to the Constitution and Nomination Form on the Community Council page on the Bond Academy website for more information. We encourage new and returning parents and guardians to consider joining the Executive Committee as an Executive Member or Member-at-Large. In the fall, the dates of the 2016/17 general meetings will be announced and we encourage all parents and guardians to attend.

The Bond Academy Parent Council is fortunate to have a dedicated group of volunteers who work together year after year to enhance the educational, athletic and social experience for our students and the school as a whole. As a community, we should be proud of all of our achievements and contributions over the past year. Thank you once again for your support!

We wish the Bond Community a safe and relaxing summer and look forward to seeing everyone in the fall.

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 Respectfully submitted by Rita Simmons, Chair and Larisa Trabulsi, Vice Chair

Bond Academy Parent Council - 2015/16 Annual Financial Report

sources of funds

2014/15 carryover			
bank balance		2,457	
cash float		<u>570</u>	3,027
2015/16 student activity fees			
secondary		10,850	
elementary		<u>8,550</u>	19,400
2015/16 revenues			
BondFest - proceeds from dinner		770	
Shop@Bond - 50% of proceeds from used uniform sale		450	
Family Fun Night - proceeds from dinner		<u>179</u>	1,399
funds available			23,826

expenses

athletic program

Kanopys Canada - two 10'x10' canopies		3,390	
Flying Angels - cross-country and track & field training		3,000	
tarps and water jugs		163	
refreshments for SSAF cross-country meet		110	
pizza lunch for aquatics program		<u>44</u>	6,707

community events and receptions

BondFest			
Fiesta 4 Kids - inflatables and games		2,649	
dinner		<u>489</u>	3,138
Family Fun Night			
Mad Science - show and three fun stations		1,006	
dinner		164	
wristbands		<u>38</u>	1,208
holiday concert reception		385	
meet the teacher reception		244	
first day of school breakfast		225	
Robin Hood drama performance reception		148	
plates, cups, cutlery, napkins and other supplies		<u>204</u>	5,552

student events and programs

grade 8 graduation trip subsidy		1,095	
secondary spring formal subsidy		1,000	
team building events for grades 7-9		930	
FearlesslyKiND anti-bullying presentation for girls in grades 4-8		375	
social media presentation for grades 9-12		300	
breakfast for elementary starving artists		134	
breakfast for secondary 14-hour fast		100	
refreshments for skating at McGregor Park Community Centre		<u>18</u>	3,952

academic enrichment

IXL Math & English Language Arts program		1,724	
professional development for teachers		600	
classroom kits for elementary teachers		421	
BenQ Projector for secondary teachers		418	
Reading A-Z subscription		<u>146</u>	3,309

extracurricular activities

Mad Science - Crazy Chemworks (33 students @ \$39.95)		1,318	
Mad Science - Young Explorers (20 students @ \$39.95)		<u>799</u>	2,117
Chess 'N Math Association - chess lessons (35 students @ \$10)		<u>350</u>	2,467

general meetings and speaker series

Steve Chapelle - Parenting the Social Media Generation		390	
Ronald Morrish - Raising Responsible Children		325	
Laurie Jantzi - Supporting our Kids with Executive Functioning		100	
refreshments for three sessions		<u>161</u>	976

parent council expenses

Survey Monkey - online survey software		174	
refreshments for parent council meetings		172	
storage bins for Shop@Bond inventory		39	
plaque		30	
bank charges		<u>13</u>	428

total expenses **23,391**

carryover to 2016/17 **435**