



BYRON SOUTHWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL HOME & SCHOOL/PARENT COUNCIL

Guideline and Meeting Framework: 2022/23

OUR MISSION AND VISION:

Productivity is a result of **Positivity**

- There will be times when members will be bringing forth issues and concerns, etc. Please try to frame concerns and criticism in a positive, solution driven way. Any suggestions and opinions are welcome; presenting problems with some positive solutions is encouraged.

As a parent based group we will focus on **Controlling the Controllable**.

- Certain issues (Unions, staffing, Board policies, COVID-19 protocols, masking protocols, etc.) are out of our control and not within our area of expertise and input. OFHSA is committed to supporting schools, staff, administration and students and we want to ensure that we do this in the best way possible.

Create a **welcoming, safe, inclusive, engaged meeting culture**.

- What makes us a strong and productive parent group is our diversity of opinions and experiences. Everyone brings something unique to the table and all voices are important in creating the best student environment that we can.

We welcome everyone to the Council and appreciate attendance regardless of whether you can make 1 meeting, all 7 meetings or somewhere in between. **Involvement looks different for everyone**. We don't want anyone to feel overwhelmed or feel like "they have" to do something, rather, we hope that by being involved everyone will wish to continue helping us create a stronger sense of community and engagement.

GOALS AND PLANNING:

The goal for the Byron Southwood Home and School/Parent Council for the 2022/23 school year:

1. Strengthening the school Community
2. Financial recovery after the Pandemic
3. Increasing inclusion and equity through out the school and community

How will we do this:

1. Engagement of parents for input and feedback
2. Recruitment strategies for getting parents involved



3. Identify opportunities to get parents and students involved and ways to give back to the school community
 - a. Spring Dance, Funfair
 - b. Fundraising to support families in need
 - c. Fundraising to support the teachers and school that will improve the experience of students
4. Providing an environment/forum for parents to share both positive and negative experiences and share with School leadership.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

The meetings occur on the 3rd Wednesday of every month (no meetings in December, March or June) at 6:30 pm. Meetings usually last 1.5 hours.

The meetings will be held in the school library with an option to call or video in.

Quorum will be 51% of voting members (this may fluctuate each year depending on membership).

Each vote will require a proposer and a seconder and confirmation that all members are in favour. If someone is not in favour, further discussion to take place. This will be documented in meeting minutes.

Quorum is required to vote and pass any items during the meeting that require approval. If there is not quorum at the meeting, a vote will need to be completed over email or deferred until the next meeting. All Executive and Home and School members will need to respond.

