

Date: 04 October 2021  
Time: 1800

## Attendees:

Kelsey Doolaar  
Mark Baxendale  
Navneet Rondeau  
Sheila Braisher  
Andrea Sheriff

## Minutes:

### 1. Principal's report

-School hosted Rock Solid Event this year after 3 years. Last year it didn't happen due to COVID. This year Grades 8 and 9 students went to Hillside Lodge and had fun

-We are able to field trips now but only day trips. There are no overnight trips at this time. Two other districts are allowing overnight trips but now our school district.

-Sports teams are not able to go to tournaments. Bantam girls Volley Ball team went last Saturday for a tournament. Other teams are planning on going to play as well. There will be athletics such as cross country skiing, volleyball etc.

-We received document from Surrina Craig our health and safety personnel about contact tracing. This document is shared on our school website and will be emailed to parents. Last year we did the contact tracing but now it is the responsibility of Interior Health. If there is an exposure in a class the parents will receive a letter from IH.

-School Success Plan; the plan is posted on our school website if you wish to check it out. Some of the goals are;

#### 1. Goal #1 Equity and Inclusion

- we did a survey with students in which there was a section about belonging. Students didn't feel they belonged so we are looking at how to improve this.

-How can we make them feel they belong; teachers are checking in with students at the beginning of the day. Teachers will try different things.

-there is plan to get a student advisory committee going

#### 2. Goal #2 Numeracy and Literacy

-Students were challenged by the assessment test at grade 10. Plan is to add numeracy tasks to all classes.

-trying to increase proficiency in reading; we have three specialists at school to help with this; Tanya Hobbs, Brianne Hagardt and Rebecca Labonville.

### 3. Goal #3 Improve teaching practices with respect to inclusion

-Universal design for learning, PLT focussed in this area.

Mark asked when would the student council start?

Kelsey said they wished to start it earlier but are hoping to do it next week.

-last year we had a district council, also had a student from GAS who participated in that group.

Kelsey is hoping that there are other students who join in the council and have their voice heard.

She is hoping to have students join from variety of areas and not necessarily the students from interact.

-Kelsey said her and Angie are going to help with this group.

-Mark asked what is the percentage of vaccinated students at GSS?

Kelsey said in Golden Zone for the ages 12-17 we have 88% of students who have their first vaccine and 80% who have their second vaccine.

-there has been no exposure at GSS recently.

### 2. Parent Survey

-Kelsey is planning on sending a survey out to parents to see if there is a better time for the PAC meeting. Maybe starting a meeting at 7 would be better than 6.

### 3. Treasure's report

-Jacquie was not available for the report

### 4. 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary gifts for students

-PAC has purchased water bottles for all students and staff at GSS that will be distributed next week. These are from the PAC and are in celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the GSS school at the new building.

### 5. New business arising from the Agenda

Next meeting: Monday, November 1 / 2021 @1900