

Date: October 16, 2023
Time: 7:00 PM

Attendees:

Laurie Dagg
Cindy Galligan
Jacquie Farnsworth
Mike Archibald
Andrea Sherriff
Navneet Rondeau
Linda Pecora
Karen Hunter
Mrs. Patel
Amanda Austin
Sheila England

AGENDA:

1. Approval of Agenda / Additions
Motion to approve the agenda sent by Navneet Rondeau, Cindy Galligan Seconded and motion was passed by all.
2. Approval of Minutes (Sent via email)
Motion to approve the minutes by Cindy G and seconded by Linda Pecora. Everyone approved and there were no additions or emissions.
3. Principal's report (Mike Archibald)
 - Mike said there was a board meeting last week. There is a new funding coming out named 'Feed The Future'. We will have Breakfast at the concession open for students who need a quick bite.
 - School presented a report on health hub to the board. This started in April of 2022. We average about 20-30 students who use the health hub. Board has agreed to continue this practice. Interior Health has purchased a medical bed for the doctor's room.
 - Health hub will continue this year and the long term goal is to add more space.
 - A counsellor has been hired by GSS, her name is Amy and she will be supporting students in need.
 - We also have Justin Telfer who comes in every Thursday to support students in need.
 - Students can book appointment online using QR code.
 - YCW have moved into Room 9.
 - There has been a new person hired at the concession to help (Cindy Snow)
 - In Term report cards will be sent home tomorrow.
 - Parent / Teacher interviews will be taking place on October 24, 25 & 26. They can be booked online, a link will be sent out to all parents.

-Students are moving into self assessments in their home rooms. Students will set personal goals depending on their grade as per below;

*Grade 8- set personal goals

*Grade 9- set one personal and one school goals

*Grades 10-12 will set more personal and long term goals.

- Home rooms also do some team building activities

-Linda Pecora asked how the home rooms were selected.

Mike said they picked students from each grade after having discussions with Staff and students.

-Some concerns in homerooms are that some students are not attending regularly. GSS is a trial for other schools and hopefully we will keep doing this. We will try to make it more fun for students so they enjoy these activities.

- Linda asked if we have a student council?

Mike said we are trying to have a district advisory committee again. We are trying to get a balance of all grades involved.

GRADS: Executive of Grad 2024 met last week with all parents. Still working on what they would like to do for the Prom.

4. Treasure's report (Jackie Farnsworth)

-Balance as of 12 October 2023 - Chequing Account (\$2550.82)

Gaming Account (\$4826.60)

5. Update on gaming grant (Navneet Rondeau)

-Navneet will complete all reports. We will discuss disbursement of funds at our next meeting.

6. "Students without Cell Phones." (Karen Hunter)

- Karen asked that she is having a problem with her daughter who is asking for a phone as she believes she needs it for her classes as some teachers are asking for notes, pictures etc. Can the teachers make copies of the notes for students who don't have phones?

Mike said he will send an email to teachers about being inclusive, lots of grade 8's don't have phones.

7. Elections;

Positions open; Treasurer

Navneet nominated Bridget Munroe as she is willing to take over the position from Jacquie Farnsworth who is stepping down. Everyone was in favour of her taking the position.

Secretary

Amanda Austin put her name forward to be a secretary for the GSS (PAC). She will take over from Navneet starting October 30th.

8. New business arising from the Agenda

No new business.

Motion made by Linda Pecora to adjourned the meeting and Navneet seconded. Everyone was in favour. Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting: 20 November 2023