

JACK HULLAND SCHOOL COUNCIL
Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 7, 2024
School

“School Council would like to acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta’an Kwäch’än Council and would like to thank them for allowing us to live and work on their traditional land.”

Present: Council Members:

- Caitlyn Carey
- Taelor Mason
- Rachel Hrebien
- Lea Pigage
- Aura-Lea Harper

Administration:

- Jeff Cressman, Out-Going Principal
- Jeff Hills, NEW-Principal
- Andrew Noble, Vice-Principal

Guests: Geraldine Van-Bibber

Regrets: Randi Lopushinsky

MEETING AGENDA:

#	Topic	Speaker
1.	Call to order	Taelor Mason
2.	Review & adoption of Agenda	Taelor Mason
3.	Review & adoption of Minutes – January 10, 2024	Taelor Mason
4.	Treasurer’s Report	Randi Lopushinsky
5.	Principal’s Report	Jeff Cressman
6.	Committee Reports: 1. Transportation Committee 2. Health & Safety Committee 3. School Growth Plan	1. Jesse 2. Rachel/Aura-Lea 3. Lea
7.	Old Business & Correspondence: 1. Centre of Excellence Update 2. Fundraising Planning & Updates a. Cookbook b. Flower Baskets 3. Review & Update January 2024 Meeting Action Items 4. HASE Curriculum 5. 2024 ESED Application 6. School Allergy Policies	1. Lea 2. a) Jesse b) Rachel/Randi 3. All 4. Taelor 5. Taelor 6. All
8.	New Business: 1. AYSCBC Chair Meeting Updates 2. Bridge Building Contest	1. Taelor 2. Jesse
9.	Other Business	

10.	In-camera Motion: Time In/Out:	Taelor
	Adjournment	Taelor

1 Meeting called to order at 5:59 pm.

2 Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Rachel seconded by Jesse that the agenda be adopted.

3 Adoption of Minutes:

Review of Minutes of Regular Meeting, January 10, 2024

Moved by Rachel seconded by Aura-Lea that the minutes be adopted.

4 Treasurer's Report

- Deferred.

5 Principal's Report

- 450 students currently registered. Numbers will need to be confirmed soon with the opening of the new Whistle Bend school for staff planning for next year.
- 2 new EA hires to replace EA's lost.
- The climbing wall was put in and completed. Council contributed \$1000 for the purchase of the holds.
- The kick sled training will be completed tomorrow with staff and selected students.
- Jeff Hills will be starting February 19th. Jeff Cressman will be around to help transition.
- Council inquired to the EA from the Beehive being replaced and that position moving into a different classroom. There is less traffic in the Beehive this year and students using the room as a working room are accompanied by other staff.
- There have been intermediate bullying issues, most have been resolved speaking with the students and their parents. Students have been encouraged to report bullying right away to their teacher.
- 3 bus incidents: There was an issue with a bus drivers confrontational behaviour towards staff on a recent field trip. The driver will no longer be doing field trip drives for the school this year. This bus driver has been involved in a few incidents recently.

6 Committee Reports

1. Transportation Committee:

- Council inquired into bus drivers requiring criminal record checks.
- Council wants to know if incident reporting is standardized.
- Action: Jesse to bring up criminal record checks and incident reporting standard issues up to the transportation meeting.

2. Health and Safety Committee:

- The vehicle gate on the intermediate side was broken, but it was fixed this week.
- Council received a complaint about ice. The school admin have been trying to keep the sand bins full. The admin reached out to the Dept about the amount of sand being spread, the Dept has said that they complete what is required. Council will look into this. Action: Council to look into the snow and ice removal contract the Dept has with it's contractor for ice control.
- The school lights are causing/exacerbating medical issues for some staff, this has been an on-going issue. Council has previously addressed this with the Department. The Dept has assessed our schools lighting and Jack Hulland should be on the list for an upgrade from the fluorescent lights. This is a medical issue and should be accommodated. The Dept has proposed light covers and other band-aid measures. This issue needs more than a "quick fix" and should be resolved. Action: Council to follow up with previous communications with the Dept to see when light upgrades will be completed.
- Air quality – a radon test was done in 2018. Staff have requested to know when a follow up test would be done. Air quality testing needs to be fully completed, some classrooms have terrible quality, resulting in medical issues of staff.
- Cell phone reception in the primary end school is still an issue, tweaking is needed.
- 3 more fire alarm covers are still needed after being requested a few times; a new request will be submitted.
- The contract for the counsellor hired for the staff is expiring in June 2024 – Council is asking if this is being extended again.

3. School Growth Plan:

- The vision statement has been selected; the next goal is identifying values. This will continue under the leadership of the new principal – Jeff Hills. Council would like to aim for a February meeting. Action: Jeff Hills to plan a school growth plan meeting by the end of February.

7 Old Business & Correspondence

1. Centre of Excellence Update:

- September 2022 the current Council came up with the Centre of Excellence. Some things have slowly come to fruition from the original plan, Council will send the package to Jeff Hills. There is lots left to do, Council needs the support of staff, admin and the Dept to continue rolling things out.
- Council updated Jeff Hills on the Centre of Excellence plan.
- Council was told that Jack Hulland was on the list for a new primary playground. Jeff Cressman will put in the ask to the Dept before he leaves.
- 2022/23 ESED:
 - Forest Activity path needs to get done. Jesse will circulate to Council for actions, no comments from staff have been received.
 - Carla completed purchasing requests from Meagan, Jesse to reconcile receipts received. ACTION: Jesse to reconcile receipts and check in with Carla on any other sheets.

- Council to get the original plan map printed for new placement of the gazebos purchased from the current funding application. Action: Council to get map printed so staff can suggest places for the new gazebos to get set up.

2. Fundraising Planning & Updates

- Cookbook: Tabled for next meeting, Jesse is to look into a reduced production cost and contemplate a digital cookbook. Action: Jesse is going to look into number of recipes, a digital cookbook option and reduced printed option. A Go/No-go decision will be made at the next meeting.
- Flower Baskets: We will have not heard back from Yukon Gardens.

3. Review & Update Action Items from January 10, 2024 Meeting:

- Reviewed and updated.

4. HASE Curriculum

- No changes were made to the curriculum after the legalization of marijuana. Council feels that this is an important issue to address. Our school has had some issues as well as the neighbouring high school.
- Action: Jeff Cressman to circulate the curriculum to Council to review and put up for discussions at the next meeting.

5. 2024 ESED Application

- Council received a few asks from staff: bikes, archery equipment, robotics, score board, tvs for around the school to roll events, holidays, info, exercise bikes for self-regulation. Learning commons areas – look for funding. Action: Council to reach out to Val for her ideas around a learning commons. Taelor will work on the proposal for the 2024 ESED Application.

6. School Allergy Policies

- Council is interested in circulating a survey on how the community feels about reviewing the school current allergy policies, allowing nuts in certain class rooms – EX. Intermediate only and not primary. Any issues with other types of allergies? The survey will go to parents/staff. The target is to roll out for next school season if there is support. Action: Caitlyn to populate some questions for a school allergy policy survey.

8 New Business

1. AYSCBC Chair Meeting Updates

- Council inquired into general criminal record checks for school staff. Action: Taelor will write a letter to Elaine Taylor regarding staff criminal record check frequency to bring this up at the AYSCBC level.
- Busing issues for school events was realized as a wider issue. AYSCBC will be dealing with this on behalf of all the school having the same issues, requesting the Department to create budget for all schools to have access to buses. Taelor will circulate the letter once she receives it.
- Strat plan through AYSCBC was completed. Taelor will circulate the slide show once she gets it. Action: Taelor to circulate correspondence from AYSCBC when she receives it – survey and slide show documents from the last meeting.
 - They will look at revising and defining their mission statement and values.
 - They identified goals:
 - Relationship with dept of ed
 - Building relationships with other partners.
 - Revise AYSCBC website and tailor to school councils – they will ask council for comments by a survey in the near future.
 - Assess councils’ needs, goals, and communication preferences by a survey, Taelor will circulate this when she receives it.
 - Updating the handbook and website.
 - Communication plans, letters, press releases.
 - Strengthen connections between councils’.

2. Bridge Building Contest

- Keep an eye out for the notice and admin will circulate to Council.

9 Other Business: Nil.

10 In Camera 8:37 Taelor/Jesse

Out of Camera 9:29 Lea/Taelor

Meeting adjourned at 9:29 pm

Next School Council Meeting: March 6, 2024, at 6:00pm