

**JACK HULLAND SCHOOL COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**April 5, 2023**  
**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:**

Taelor Mason  
 Rachel Hrebien  
 Jesse Bouchard (by phone,  
 in-camera)  
 Randi Lopushinsky Aura-  
 Lea Harper  
 Lea Pigage

**Administration:**

Jeff Cressman, Principal  
 Andrew Nobel, Vice Principal  
 Valerie Ireland, Vice Principal (by  
 phone)

**Guests:** Marilyn Marquis-Forster, Geraldine Van-Bibber, Patti Balsillie, Lori Choquette

**Regrets:** Caitlyn Carey

**MEETING AGENDA:**

#	Topic	Speaker
1.	Call to order	Taelor Mason
2.	Review & adoption of Agenda	Taelor Mason
3.	Whitehorse School Capital Planning Presentation	Patti Balsillie
4.	Review & adoption of Minutes – February 1, 2023	Taelor Mason
5.	Treasurer’s Report	Randi Lopushinsky
6.	1. Principal’s Report	Jeff Cressman
7.	Committee Reports: 1. Transportation Committee 2. Health & Safety Committee 3. School Growth Plan	1. Jesse Bouchard 2. Rachel Hrebien 3. Lea Pigage
8.	Old Business & Correspondence: 1. Centre of Excellence Update 2. School Community Engagement Results 3. Fundraising 4. Spring Newsletter	1. Lea Pigage 2. Taelor Mason 3. All 4. Taelor Mason
9.	New Business: 1. Extra-curricular activities 2. School Handbook/Code of Conduct/Start of school packages 3. Events for 2023	1. Jesse Bouchard 2. Taelor Mason 3. Taelor Mason
10.	Other Business	
11.	Adjournment	

**1 Meeting called to order at 7:00pm**

**2 Adoption of Agenda:**

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

**3 Capital Planning Presentation, Guest Speaker Pattie Balsillie**

- Patti provided information that Jack Hulland placed 6<sup>th</sup> priority based on survey qualitative and quantitative results for replacement/capital planning across Yukon Schools
- Provided handout outlining three areas: Technology, Land based learning, Inclusivity and Culture.
- Encourage everyone in the community whether or not they have children or are involved in the education system to participate in the Yukon Government's Survey. Can be found online, there is also a QR code linked to survey – open until May 15, 2023. Please share the information. Will also be open houses, dates, times and locations will be announced and shared with school and broader community. Want this to be the broadest reaching engagement.
- If School Council and/or Jack Hulland School would like to share additional feedback outside of the survey context a letter can be sent to Patti before May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**4 Adoption of Minutes:**

Review of Minutes of Regular Meeting, February 1, 2023

Moved by Randi seconded by Rachel that the minutes be adopted.

**5 Treasurer's Report**

No updates at this time.

**6 Principal's Report**

Principles report was presented. Highlights are:

- Principal's report – Draft Handbook please have a look and provide feedback as soon as possible (by next Wednesday April 12<sup>th</sup>)
  - Code of Conduct is not included in this
  - Val to circulate word version for comments
  - 418 students – same as last year
  - No major incidents, 3 minors
  - Vaping – older students bringing vapes to school working with parents and HASE program. Parents are supportive and appreciative. This will be a warning and students were home and returning Thursday. Next offence will be official/documented 3 day suspension.
  - Cell phone update – has improved.
  - Lockers now have locks.

**7 Committee Reports**

1. Transportation Committee:

- Speaker absent, no formal update provided from committee meeting
- Jeff noted a new person at standard and has cleared backlog for kids needing bus spots
- Class 4 license needed to use mini bus
- City is looking at parking areas around JH to see about designating certain areas as parking to increase safety

## 2. Health and Safety Committee:

- Met and looked at big action items – frustrated with lack of movement on these longstanding issues:
  - Fire Extinguishers
  - Mouldy bathroom
  - Covers for fire alarms
- Good news items:
  - Boosters are being ordered
  - Door has been worked on but still a few ongoing glitches with FOB
  - Guild hall access – looking into this for safety if fire during cold
  - Fire alarm cold weather issues – looking at having bins with warm items for safety.

## 3. School Growth Plan:

Next meeting will be held April 18, 2023.

## **8 Old Business & Correspondence**

### 1. Centre of Excellence Updates:

- Written request summarizing phase-1 asks was submitted to DOE. Government is supporting outdoor classroom structure. Encouraging work with Principal and Superintendent to budget for other requested items.
- MMF said new budget was just approved and coming from our council meeting YG is going to be working with Principals of each school to prepare a presentation for school councils.
- Teeter totter removal can be done by submitting a request – (MMF noted this) JC to put in request.
- Playground committee meeting at end of Month – need to get proposed locations for outdoor structure.
- HPW has replacement of classroom lights in a 2-5 year cycle
- Library with opening doors – suggested we have a tour of hidden valley as they have done something similar
- Reminder they did put an extra FTE in JH in 2022/2023 (MMF)
- In non-enrolling allocation for our school, 21 classrooms – our allocation is 35 (14) “extra”. 2 taken away for admin, 12% for prep, learning assistance, counselling, etc

- Taelor has requested meeting with Sheri L, drafted letters to KDFN and TKC – letters will be sent in the coming weeks.
- Lori suggested asking TKC and KDFN to request a first nation rep on our council.

## 2. School Community Engagement Results

- (89 families responded) – see results Taelor shared a chunk
- Some parents don't know how to access school council
- First Nation School Board – no or need more information
- Cyber Bullying and Bullying – 61% are concerned
- Cell phones – 86% of parents are supportive of banning Cell Phones at school
- Information session on info session for social media 86% are interested in in person or online info session
- Mental health supports – majority neutral
- Digital correspondence – over 70%
- Taelor will compile a summary and provide feedback in spring newsletter

## 3. Fundraising

- Jesse applied for funding through ESED fund for creation of a forest path, art supplies, all of which ties into the Centre of Excellence concept
- Randi, flower baskets – sold 358 baskets – council's portion was \$3,579 – great success. 2 top Winners were given a hoodie and 5 in total received easter chocolates and easter craft
- Cookbook, cards, potential for a “band night”

## 4. Spring Newsletter

- Include information on how to contact council, survey results, fundraising items, traffic updates, implementing a concern form for council (need to get this finalized so we can touch on it) and what we have been working on

# 9 **New Business**

## 1. Extra-curricular Activities:

Speaker absent, defer item to May meeting.

## 2. Code of Conduct/School Handbook/Start of Year Packages:

- Code of Conduct – would be good to get this updated for the “start of school” packages. We will contact Jesse to see where things are at from previous years meetings and to send to Admin.
- Council would like to review the full package of what goes out to parents prior to start of next school year.

- Look at field trip and other related fees – maybe beginning of year lump sum payment option would be preferable for some families
- Traffic rules refresher.
- School council touch base and contact info.
- Consider digital forms option for next school year if parents would like to “opt in”.

### 3. 2023 Events:

- Council can help support year-end BBQ day. Need to finalize list of events for next school year, such as pancake breakfast, so that we can prepare advertisements, book gym.

### **10 In Camera**

Motion for in camera Lea, Auralea 9:08 pm

Motion out of camera Randi, Rachel 11:05 pm

### **Meeting adjourned at 11:05 pm**

Motion to adjourn, Randi Rachel

Next regular meeting: June 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm.  
(Final meeting of the 2022-23 School Year)

*Minute submitted by: Randi Lopushinsky*