

Agenda
Jack Hulland School Council
Regular Council Meeting – May 3, 2023, 7:00 pm
Jack Hulland Elementary 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

Rachel Hrebien

Randi Lopushinsky

Lea Pigage

Aura-Lee Harper

Administration:

Jeff Cressman, Principal

Andrew Noble, Vice Principal

Valerie Ireland, Vice Principal

Guests: Marilyn Marquis-Forester

Regrets:

Taelor Mason, Council Chair

Jesse Bouchard, Council Secretary

#	Topic	Speaker
1.	Call to order	Taelor Mason
2.	Review & adoption of Agenda	Taelor Mason
3.	Review & adoption of Minutes – February 1, 2023	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 Bouchard 2. Rachel Hrebien 3. Lea Pigage
7.	Old Business & Correspondence: 1. Centre of Excellence Update 2. Fundraising Updates 3. School Handbook/Code of Conduct/Start of school packages 4. Whitehorse School Capital Planning Letter	1. Lea Pigage 2. All 3. All 4. All
8.	New Business: 1. Extra-curricular activities 2. Garbage Cleanup 3. RISE Initiative Questions for Councils	1. Jesse Bouchard 2. Taelor Mason 3. Taelor Mason
9.	Other Business	
10.	In Camera Motion: Time In/Out:	Taelor Mason
11.	Adjournment	Taelor Mason
	Next regular meeting: June 7, 2023 7:00 p.m.	

- **Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm**

- **Adoption of Agenda:**

Moved by Lea, Seconded by Caitlyn that the agenda be adopted.

- **Adoption of Minutes:**

Review of Minutes of April 5, 2023

Moved by Aura-Lea and Seconded by Lea that the Minutes of April 5, 2023 be adopted with the following changes: Andrew’s last name, add Lea Pigage to Present.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Yukon Gardens has been paid. More orders came in late. 381 flower baskets were sold, Randi is going to follow up with Yukon Gardens to coordinate pickup.

- **Principal's Report**

423 students from report, as of today now 425, 18 days in session. Weather is getting nice. Trips to Swan Haven, and lots of others. Lots of exciting things going on. Leah asked why in the past council signed off on some field trips. Now it is Marilyn and Jeff. School council approval is "optional". Saved for more complex trips - there would be requirement for school council to approve.

Given 19 EAs for next year, pending funding coming through. They will make hires but say they are tentative and final word will be given in June. 16 is actual and the 3 extra is tentative. Marilyn said new info from student supports services to look at percentages that schools were applying for. Percentages were in line with expectations it was "comforting" as it jived with what would be expected - 5% of population needs that kind of level of support. 53 or 54 as a system in addition. What kind of training is given to EAs when they come on board (L Pigage asked Jeff). Jeff said probably not enough, they try and send on training. Looking at working with EAs to see what they would want to learn. Would be nice to see what they'd like. There is an online onboarding course that takes about 2.5 hours. Also, in the process of asking for LAT allocations. Val brought up point that she'd like to see onboarding/ training before school year starts especially for high medical needs students and high behavioural needs. Marilyn - it is in forefront. They've made a commitment to have whole calendar year plotted out by June 1st for needs. Hoping to address as much as possible through systematic planning for Education Assistance. Marilyn said schools should reach out with specific needs. Andrew - recognized they can do a lot to be proactive especially with hand over from year to year. Getting that piece done now vs in the fall then fall can be more of a review piece. Val to talk to Marilyn to request specific training for special needs.

Only one minor incident, 3 bus incidents for #32 Copper Ridge. Sean McKaskie has submitted retirement for end of school year. So, primary position has been posted. Marilyn noted that they have noticed that education postings have been active - even hiring in places like Teslin.

Val provided the calendar for next year. Council to chat and send Val proposed December pancake breakfast dates.

Whistle Bend update - Marilyn said hopefully Aug 2024. They have a committee and are working with the school council on various issues. Will reach out to residents and then let

people know. All students living within catchment are most likely welcomed to attend. If you are in an English language program K-5 expect that you will be at Whistle Bend. If you are entering 6 and 7 they will try and allow them to stay where they are. Plan to be finished May 15th (definitely this spring).

- **Committee Reports:**

1. Transportation Committee:

Deferred. Jesse absent.

2. Health & Safety Committee:

- Fire Extinguishers inspected and up to date.
- Cell Phone boosters ordered, waiting on supplies.
- Primary door's new FOB not working properly, as well as unlocks during the school year.
- Main entrance- front door not opening with assisted button- door seems to be stuck in frame.
- Fire alarm cover are still not installed.
- Musty smell from Intermediate entrance to main gym (near washrooms)
- PA system in library, small gym and LAT need speakers.
- FOB #6 still not working.

3. School Growth Plan:

No update.

- **Old Business & Correspondence:**

1. Centre of Excellence Update:

- Parent (DD) willing to donate 30 stumps for outdoor learning space seats. Just need them picked up, sanded and varnished.
- Staff were disappointed that we tapped out the funding opportunities via ESED. Need to take a collaborative approach next year.
- Map Meeting - only Sarah Dykman attended in person. Staff did use the sticker idea to identify key areas.
- Tree Removal will happen over the summer months.
- Fenced area – consider installing a gate for the kicksled loop

2. Fundraising Update:

- Need to connect with Kelsey at Yukon Gardens to organize flower basket drive-thru pickup

- Garbage cleanup fundraiser – do we want to involve the school? Admin will reach out to staff to determine who might be interested in doing the cleanup with their classes to claim the \$300 grant. Art club might be interested?
 - Marilyn is working with admin and finance to make a standard report that admin can present to council. This will help make things clearer to council on where fundraising dollars might be best applied.
 - Carla in the office has been cleaning things up and working really hard. Hoping to roll out the budget in the fall to councils. There may be some trust funds designated/available (extras from Covid that were not used).
3. School Handbook/Code of Conduct/Start of School Packages:

Defer code of conduct discussion until all council members present. School handbook part was reviewed and handed back. Code of Conduct is still ongoing. Most schools are moving towards a “school community code of conduct”.

Fall – fresh start and set clear expectations:

- Jeff to work on this as he’s spent some time on this at ESES.
- Not so “rules-based” where there’s zero tolerance – baseline approach but discretion will be up to principal (theme-based vs rules-based).
- Aim to have things printed by end of June.
- Rebecca will spend the summer getting everything collated, and ready to go for back-to-school packages.

4. Whitehorse School Capital Planning Letter:

Whitehorse school capital planning letter.

- Patty Balsillie doing survey until May 15th.
 - Opportunity to share what we’ve heard (capital department) on April 25th.
 - Action – make sure you do the survey.
- **New Business:**
 1. **Extra-Curricular Activities:**
Deferred. Jesse absent.
 2. **Garbage Cleanup**
Discussed under Fundraising.
 - **Other Business:**

Open discussion:

- 3 – RISE – Initiative questions for Council – Reimagining Inclusive S and Education (tasked with implementing the recommendations for Dr. Niki Yee) – charged with putting that report into action (in conjunction with 8 committees of action). Not all committees are finished their work or made their recommendations.
- Val is on professional development committee – they are just wrapping up their recommendations. One of the items they are recommending – the roll of instructional development and training. Getting together themes they have an outline and just putting together with the research – roll of instructional coaches in schools. This would be beneficial to the model they've chosen.
- Streamline the issues process and documenting and tracking. Create continuity between councils. Make it so it auto populates a google sheet and is saved in council drive –Lea will work on this.
- Ready to learn PD day update from Jeff – different ways to approach things, explained how the brain works. Fight or flight mode gets triggered for some reason. Not reacting to you or other kids, they're reacting to what happened during the morning.
 1. Example about Christmas carol being triggering for one child and would always react when the caroling came on to one particular song
 2. Smells, songs, etc can be triggering
 3. Vision statement part was not enough time
 4. EAs in school need some help and guidance so setting up times to work with those folks on some ideas on how they can help with particular child and some issues
- Val /teachers – Fairy Market –Need volunteers May 26th at 1pm to set up a table
- May 25th new Kindies are coming in – do we want to have a “meet a school council member”?
- June family fun day – could use volunteers?

- **In Camera**

No in-camera.

- **Meeting adjourned 9:34 pm**

Moved by Caitlyn, Seconded by Aura-lea