

JACK HULLAND SCHOOL COUNCIL
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 4, 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: Jesse Bouchard, Chair/Treasurer Caitlyn Carey, Co-Chair Micah Olesh, Secretary Scott Holliday	Administration: Jeff Hills: Principal Andrew Noble: Vice-Principal Carla Verville: Administrative Assistant
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Guests: Richard Poirier, School Council Liaison - Dept. of Ed.
Krista Strand, KDFN Representative

1 Meeting called to order at 6:28 pm.

2 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 1: **Jesse Bouchard/Micah Olesh**
To approve the agenda as amended, added a new item: Swimming Lessons.
Passed by: Consensus

3 Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2: **Aura-Lee/Caitlyn Carey**
To approve the minutes of the June 5, 2024 meeting as presented.
Passed by: Consensus

4 Appointment of School Council Positions

- Chair – Jesse Bouchard offered to hold the Chair position – All infavor
- Co-Chair – Caitlyn Carey offered to hold the Co-Chair position – All infavor
- Secretary/Treasurer – no one was selected for this. Council has a small number of members with 2 being new. Carla offered secretary/treasurer services if there was no conflict with her position on the administration team. Council will discuss the options for this, we were going to advertise for that position last year.
- Committee Representatives:
 - Transportation Committee: Jesse would like to give up her seat. Scott expressed his interest in being our representative for this committee. No one else was interested so Scott has been selected as our representative.
 - Health and Safety Committee: Caitlyn expressed interest in this committee. She may be unable to make some meetings. The school administration team can report back for the meetings that are missed.
 - School Growth Committee: Micah expressed interest in this committee, he is unable to make the 3:30 times for this. Council has requested that we see if the school growth committee can meet later during the day to accommodate a Council representative.

5 Treasurer's Report

- Current balance in the bank account is around \$15K. We have a current A/P to the school of around \$1,500.
- There is an outstanding invoice from Paul Davis for a presentation he was hired to provide to the school community. The administration team does not have a budget for this right now and does not recall approving to pay for it. **Action: Council to request revised invoice from Paul and pay the invoice – potential contribution from the school will be discussed at a later date.**

5 Principal's Report

- There is not much to report on as school has only been in for a few days. Enrollment is sitting around 313 kids.
- There are no split classes this year.
- Commit to Kids in-service was completed by all staff.
- Most LAT's are new, with 1 returning staff member. Meghan Brady's contract, Clinical Councillor, has been renewed and she will be returning this year.
- Some actions items that were not completed over the summer include:
 - The perimeter trail still needs some mulch to fill in the holes and uneven spots. This may create issues for the kick sled track this winter.
 - Krista mentioned that KDFN will be donating a wall tent, and it should be installed this fall.
 - The cell-phone service is worse. The administrative teams suggested that maybe the Wi-Fi boosters need to be reset? **Action: Look into Wi-Fi booster issue.**
 - Some clocks that are tied into the central system are not working – if teachers need and request working clocks, battery operated clocks are available.
 - The lead content in the water was retested this summer. Some water fountains have been approved for drinking (without needing to be flushed) and these have been labelled as safe. Council requested that the water fountains that are not safe be labelled as well. **Action: Ensure all fountains are labelled safe/unsafe for drinking.**
 - The FN language position is still empty. Krista relayed that KDFN would like to help with this. KDFN/Ta'an are currently working with YG to look at a different model for this position. There are not many FN language teachers available, and a FN culture approach would make more sense.

6 Committee Reports

1. Transportation Committee:

- No meeting yet. **Action: Jesse will connect Scott with the Transportation Committee.**

2. Health and Safety Committee:

- No meeting yet.
- An issue with a primary slide has been identified and raised by Council. The administrative team is aware and has requested the repair. Action: Council to investigate this and raise this concern with YG (Dept of Ed) directly.

3. School Growth Plan:

- No meeting yet. **Action: Jeff to confirm dates and times for the Health & Safety and School Growth Committee meetings.**

7 Old Business & Correspondence

1. ESED Project Updates:

- 2023/24 ESED: The signs were completed and delivered to the school tonight.
- 2024/25 ESED: The application was approved, and an agreement was sent for signatures. Jeff will forward the email with the agreement to Council. It was discussed that Council will want confirmation that this funding is still accessible, given recent events with the funding sponsor. **Action: Jeff to forward funding agreement to Council. Council to sign an agreement and confirm that funding is still accessible.**

2. Fundraising Planning & Updates

- Flower Baskets: Council discussed the annual flower basket fundraiser. A previous Council member, Aura-Lee, said she would still help with this next spring.

- Mabel’s Labels: Council wasn’t sure if anything happened with this. Carla advised us that there was a cheque in our mail slot for this. We will continue to include this on our website and newsletter, as it doesn’t take much effect.
- Council discussed some other fundraising opportunities:
 - Purdy’s
 - Christmas Pancake Breakfast
 - Calendar/Raffle.
 - Card’s
 - Richard said he can share what other councils are doing to help us come up with ideas.

3. Review & Update Action Items from June 5, 2024, Meeting:

- Deferred.

4. Letter from the Minister: Staffing Allocations

- Not applicable.

5. School Allergy Policies

- Deferred. We need to find the survey results for more context. **Action: Council to review the allergy survey results at the next meeting.**

8 New Business

1. Swimming Lessons

- The administration team relayed that swimming lessons were put out for grades 2 to 7. The school was able to secure a few spots for lessons. Currently the cost just for the lessons and busing is estimated at \$14k. Council advised that they would like to support this. We’d like to focus on the younger grades, 2-4. Council has requested that the admin team puts together some numbers for just those grades and we will look at supporting the costs so it’s affordable for all families. **Action: School Admin team to calculate total swimming lesson costs for Grade 2 to 4 and submit to Council for support.**

2. Member Advertisement

- Council currently has 3 seats available and would like to put an advertisement out for more members. Council was drafting up an advertisement last spring and will look for it. The advertisement will be posted on the school’s website and included in the next newsletter. **Action: Council to send member advertisement to the school for posting and circulation.**

9 In Camera

Motion 3: **Jesse Bouchard/Scott Holliday**

To move into an in camera session at 7:14 pm.

Passed by: Consensus

Motion 4: **Scott Holliday /Caitlyn Carey**

To move out of the in-camera session at 8:35 pm.

Passed by: Consensus

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Next School Council Meeting: October 2, 2024, at 6:00pm

Signed off by:

Name: _____

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Signature: _____

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