

School Council École Whitehorse Elementary School

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 25 @ 6:30 ÉWES Staff Room

Laura Lang, Chair
Johanna Havelaar, Treasurer
Alisha McLean, Member
Ron Davis, Member (regrets)
Sarah Gallina, Vice Chair
Kelly Jiang, Secretary
Donna Haughton, Member

Sharon MacCoubrey, Principal Valerie Long, Vice Principal Sheila Merkley, parent Currie Dixon, parent (online) Surina Chung, parent Marsha, parent

1. Call to Order - 6:37 pm

2. Adoption of Agenda

- 2.1. Add
 - New Business 6.3 Minister McLead's interview with CBC regarding the parent advisory committee
 - 6.4 Presentation by Health Promotion regarding vaping.
 - 6.5 The SOGI policy
 - Priority of the year Fundraising, reference: Hidden Valley Elementary School
- 2.2. Motion to approve by Donna, seconded by Sarah, and All in favour

3. Adoption of the August Minutes

- 3.1. Add Valerie Long as a participant
- 3.2. Motion to approve by Sarah, seconded by Donna, and All in favour

4. Recognition of Community Members

- Currie Dixon
- Surina Chung
- Marsha

5. Reports

- a. August Administration Report Sharon MacCoubrey
 - New staff in Grades 2, 4, 6 and 7 and 2 new EAs
 - Question How does the School deal with the students with Apple watches that create interruption? (Require SC to discuss and make a decision on the policy.)

- Orange shirt on September 29 (Friday)
- FSA starts
- The School is requesting the SC to buy running vests, \$55 for 10 packs, total 75 packs.
- b. Financial/Treasurer Report Johanna Havelaar
 - No activity during the summer
- c. Budget Review Johanna Havelaar

6. New Business

- 6.1. Education Act vs. SC role & responsibility
 - An invitation to the Minister
 - Laura will work with Kelly to contact the AYSCBC tomorrow with two questions:
 - To see any interest from other schools to invite the Minister (late autumn) to send out the communication whether they understand the Minister's comment of the parent advisory committee
 - To ask whether they are interested in discussing the Education Act authority provided to SC, including the SC "Shall" authority and "May" authority
 - EWESC is interested in seeking answers to these questions
 - Motion to approve by Alisha and seconded by Johanna and All in favour
 - The SC will discuss this in the October SC meeting
- 6.2. School Bus
 - Black Street Construction
 - Sarah will follow up with HPW and the construction supervisor. She will report back to the SC.
 - Bus 35 (Grade 2 student lives in Golden Horn)
 - Alisha will contact the parent
 - Alisha will sit in the Transportation Committee to deal with the busing
- 6.3. Minister McLead's interview with CBC regarding the parent advisory committee
 - Outline all the questions, send them to the Minister, and then invite them to the SC meeting to answer questions.
 - Parent Advisory Committee
- 6.4. School connection with the Health Promotion presentation on vaping
 - Grades 4-7 had a great presentation
 - Sarah will contact Cheryl Mura for further information on a presentation for parents
- 6.5. The SOGI policy
 - Kelly and Laura will find the SOGI policy and send it out to the SC
 - All SC members will review it and provide feedback

7. Standing Business

- 7.1. French Second Language Sharon
 - No update
- 7.2. Committees
 - Project Advisory Committee (PAC) Laura/Sarah

- Laura will follow up with Patti about the survey
- School Growth Plan Sharon MacCoubrey
 - Alisha volunteered for this plan; Sharon will send out a meeting invitation.
- Transportation Committee Ron Davis
 - Alisha will follow up with Ron for the contact of the committee.

8. SC Priority Items of the Year

- 8.1. Fundraising Hidden Valley Elementary School fundraising calendar
 - Alisha will get more details on this fundraising from Hidden Valley Elementary School

8.2. Priorities:

- Health Sarah
- Summer school collaboration with the community Donna
- Promote usage of the French language outside of home Donna
- Bullying, enhancing community compassion, empathy, attach this to the School Growth Plan with measurable method – Donna
- Budgeting will the new school build need SC funds for equipment?, Sharon will ask in the PAC meeting – Johanna
- Community engagement Johanna
- At least two big community events Alisha

9. Next Meeting – October 16, 2023

10. Adjournment of Council Meeting at 8 pm