GOLDEN HORN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type:Regularly Scheduled MeetingDate:March 7, 2024Location:GHES LibraryTime:6:30-8:30

In Attendance: Amber Hirsch, Christine Aikens, Shannon Fulop, Caitlin Knutson (phone),

Shelly Peters – Secretary/Treasurer

Regrets: Emily Quarton, Vice-Principal

Administration: Jesse Ward, Principal

Guests: Scott Kent, MLA Copperbelt South

1. Call to Order: meeting was called to order at 6:38pm

2. Review and Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Amber, seconded by Christine THAT the agenda for March 7 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. Review and Adoption of Minutes:

Approval of minutes for February 1 deferred to April meeting to allow members more time to review

4. Council Administration:

Action item logs - Reviewed action items log and updated discussions below;

Action: yearbook pricing/options, less than \$65/unit as previously quoted

Discussion: there doesn't seem to be enough time to establish a complete school yearbook, Amber and Shelly will work together to make a 6/7 yearbook. *Action: Amber will reach out to other people on yearbook committees to see where they are ordering from.*

Action: GHES Buffs with new school logo

Discussion: Caitlin will reach out to Buff with vector image to find out costs

(https://www.buff.com/ca/custom/designbybuff) -carry

Action: Golf for GOES disbursement

Discussion: recipients have been notified and are starting to make purchases. Council will reimburse the school except for the items already purchased for Beaulieu/Osborne and the primary gear (tent/pulk/heater). Administration to advise when purchases are made, and a cheque will be issued for \$910 (\$110 for Cunningham and \$800 for Bell) -carry until cheque issued

Action: Student conduct plan

Discussion: Council to review and discuss via email -carry

Action: Transportation committee meeting discuss live tracking system like the CoW transit busses was discussed in legislative assembly

Discussion: Amber couldn't attend the last meeting but received the minutes. There doesn't seem to be much of an uptake on the live tracking due to privacy concerns. Scott has discussed bus tracking in the legislative assembly and will continue to follow up on this.

-completed

Action: ESED 2024/2025 application

Discussion: Stephanie is working on the ESED 2024/25 application for the school. Jesse will follow up with her to see if assistance is required with submitting or drafting the grant. - completed

Action: Wellness position/Letter to Minister to address the underlying issues of inadequate availability of ToC's

Discussion: the letter was sent to Minister McLean, AYSCBC, Scott Kent, Kate White, Currie Dixon and Minister Stricker on February 13. We received responses from Scott Kent, Kate White and Carla Gostick, AA to Minister McLean acknowledging receipt of the letter and that we would receive a response. We have not received a response as of meeting date.

Action: Amber will follow up with Elaine Taylor, AYSCBC to confirm whether it was sent to all councils.

Action: Soccer field assessment follow up

Discussion: Amber will start reaching out to Chris Hanlin regarding the tender. Scott has not seen a field replacement in the five year budget

Action: email HPW (Chris Hanlin) re: tarmac repair in queue for April/parking lot spring

repairs

Discussion: Shelly and Amber to work together to come up with a list of repairs required

Financial report - As of February 29, there is \$20,782 in the bank account — we have now received 15 20L dry sacks for \$282 and the first order of 6 MSR Elixir 4 tents for \$3,000. We have ordered 5 MSR Elixir 3 tents from Coast as well as 25 Therm-a-Rest ProLite Plus mattresses. The funding for the other Golf for GOES recipients will go directly to the school and administrators will ensure monies are spent and council receives receipts before fiscal year end. We continue to hold \$1,481 from the 2023 Yukon Garden Hanging Baskets.

5. Correspondence:

- Funding to enhance school food programs (Hirsch/Ward Feb 27): YFNED currently supports our school food program through Jordan's Principal funding. Chef Jeff is great with the students and this program has been working well at our school. A suggestion was brought forward to define the purpose of the program and when students should be accessing it at the beginning of the school year to ensure all caregivers are aware of it.
- EA Allocation (Kent Mar 7): a letter to the Minister was sent regarding the unilateral changes to EA staffing and school allocations. This was signed by Stephanie Hammond - ED LDAY, Melanie Bennett - ED YFNED, Katie Swales – President Autism Yukon, Rebecca Fenton – ED Autism Yukon, Ted Hupe – President YAEP, Sandra Henderson – Chair AYSCBC. Discussions will be forthcoming in the legislature.
- **6. Guest Presentations:** Scott spoke on the upcoming legislature sitting and priorities that will be discussed; topics will include EA allocations (email dated March 7). Scott also spoke of FH Collins receiving two new portables that are projected to be in place for the 2025/2026 school year as well as the recent HSS sexual health education guidelines for educators.

7. Principal's Report:

Presented by Jesse: 239 students enrolled, all positions are filled, there was a lot of activities and field trips that happened in February. PD activities were well attended in February as well.

Scheduled bells still aren't working and sanding/shovelling is in progress, emergency exits are not all being cleared. *Action: Amber to email on the bell issue as it has gone on for a year*

A suggestion from a member was to investigate moving the student led conferences prior to the progress reports being sent out to ensure that caregivers would be able to follow up with educators regarding supports that may need to be put into place.

An administrator is preparing to go on maternity leave, a request of a 1.0 FTE VP has been brought forward, council will draft a letter of support, but will require comparative numbers from last year to this year. *Action: Jesse to provide numbers*

8. Committee Reports/Updates:

- Transportation committee: Amber couldn't attend, minutes will be forwarded to members for review. Brief overview was a bus safety awareness campaign will be coming out, school bus registration will be opening on May 6th and should be registered by June 14th. They are still working on split home or two drop off requests as this currently isn't an option. There was discussion regarding discipline and incident reporting.
- School growth committee (SGP): third Tuesday of the month, for March will be moved to the last week Jesse to email the dates. Self assessments and core competencies will be coming home and were based on skiing. Every student has had an opportunity to ski at least once in the last couple months.
- Fundraising committee: Upcoming fundraising items are;
 - May 5th Baskets and BBQ in partnership with Decora. This will be a family event from 4-7pm. 12" flowerpot (sell for \$80) with 3 flowers (begonia or geranium) and 6 basket stuffers or a 10" window box with choice of 5 mixed herbs (sell for \$90) (basil, dill, cilantro, chives, oregano, nasturtiums, or pansies) (combo basket and planter for \$125). Will need volunteers to oversee the fire pit where hot dogs will be roasted, and s'mores can be made (\$5 suggested donation). The café will be open selling coffee/hot chocolate and cookies, there will be a 10% in store discount and there is room for 32 families)
 - June 1st GHES family disc golf tournament, this will be to fundraise for new baskets for the disc golf course. We would like to tie this in with another family event that will happen at the school (Pride Day? – talk with Shannon) and a BBQ
 - August 24th is the second annual Golf for GOES tournament Shelly and Scott will start planning in April/May
- Advisory Committee for Yukon Education (ACYE): Amber attended the most recent meeting, main discussion was about IRP is coming to school growth planning, they would like to create subcommittees – Amber advocated against this.

9. Capital Planning and Infrastructure:

No capital planning and infrastructure items for discussion

10. New Items:

No new items for discussion

11. In Camera: no in camera discussion

12. Adjournment: at 8:53pm

Action Item Log

Action Item	Person Responsible	Due
Grade 6/7 yearbook pricing	Amber Hirsch	April
GHES Buffs for school swag	Caitlin Knutson	April
with new logo		
Golf for GOES disbursement to	Shelly Peters/Administration	April
school once purchases/receipts		
confirmed		
Student Conduct Plan	All council	April
wellness position/TOC follow	Caitlin Knutson/Amber Hirsch	April
up; Amber to follow up with		
Elaine Taylor, AYSCBC to		
confirm whether it was sent to		
all councils.	A select Historie (Challe Dates)	A
Soccer field assessment follow	Amber Hirsch/Shelly Peters	April
Up	A sala a u Hisaala	Amril
Email HPW re: tarmac repair in	Amber Hirsch	April
queue for April	Shally Data as / Amala an Hisrarla	Amril
Parking lot spring repairs	Shelly Peters/Amber Hirsch	April
Principal evaluation	Amber Hirsch/Trevor Ratcliff All council	April
VP 1.0 FTE Request; support	All council	April
letter	Amber Hirsch	April
FH Grade 8 info night Administration to start tracking	Administration	•
ski usage such as classes	Administration	May
utilizing, number of kids and		
the possibility of planning an		
open media family event to		
allow for pictures of the skis		
being used to forward to		
Christine for her ESED		
2022/2023 report		
Christine to complete the ESED	Christine Aikens	May
2022/2023 final report		,
PD funding disbursement	All council	May/June