

**GOLDEN HORN SCHOOL COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Regular Council Meeting**  
**October 6, 2022**  
**GHES Library**

*“School Council would like to acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Kwanlin Dun First Nation People, Ta’an Kwach’an Council and Carcross Tagish First Nation and thank them for allowing us to live and work on their traditional land.”*

**Present:**

**Council Members:**

Amber Hirsch: Chair  
Emily Woodruffe: Co Chair  
Christine Aikens  
Caitlin Knutson  
Jessica Boyd

**Administration:**

**Guests:**

Barbara Ruf - secretary

**1. Call to Order:** Meeting was called at 5:38 PM .

**2. Administration:** Amendments and approval of June and September minutes: Moved by Emily, second by Jessica, THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting, June 1, 2022 be adopted. CARRIED  
Moved by Emily, second by Jessica, THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting, September 8, 2022 be adopted. CARRIED

Financial Report: Balance in account is \$15,851.35 (includes the contribution agreement)  
Christine will check in on expected date for Every Student Every Day (ESED) payment.

**3. Correspondence:**

A Letter from the Superintendent was received indicating that Trine Denis’s Principal coverage at HVES has been extended. A final decision on the principal selection process is expected by October 19<sup>th</sup>.

**4. Guest Presentation:** None scheduled.

**5. AGM Plans**

Basic attendance is anticipated with time allotted for Q&A with guest such as John Streicker and parents. Annual reports from the Council, Superintendent and School Administration will be presented. Emily and Amber will co-chair. Caitlin will raise the concern of the lack of response from the Department of Education regarding the letter sent to them in August about EA Allocations.

6. **A/ Principal's Report:**  
See Principal's Report, attached.  
*Action: Amber will email Jesse regarding the loss of the First Nations Language Teacher, and to inquire about how many Arts, PE and GOES blocks are currently being offered per week. She will also ask if the YFNED food program will be operating in the school again this year and whether the 30-day TOC EA position will be extended.*
7. **Student Transportation Committee:** Meeting scheduled for October 26th. Amber will attend.
8. **School Growth Planning/Communicating Student Learning:** No update: Meeting TBD.
9. **Community Engagement:** Council offered to show the school how to use 'Sign Up Genius' to obtain volunteers. Council has also advised Admin that the parent teacher interviews would be a good time for parent volunteer sign up. **Speaker Series:** The film 'Upstander' was suggested as a potentially good fit for screening for families. A film on gender neutral language could also be a good topic. *Action: Emily and Christine will look into these possibilities and take the lead on organizing.* Resuming the annual family dance and/or movie night are also being considered.
10. **Capital Planning and Infrastructure:** Jessica reached out to YG and the parking lot signs have not yet been ordered (they take approx. 1 week to create). YG indicated that they were waiting for feedback from Council (on behalf of input from the school community) in order for them to create a scope of work and reach out to their Contractor(s) on availability and pricing.  
Scott Kent has also put in a request with YG for 'No Parking' signs for along one side of Duncan Drive to prevent parked vehicles from obscuring line of sight and school bus turning radius.  
*Action: Jessica will speak with Jesse to confirm what signs are needed and then email the list to email Trevor Justason and Chris Hanlin from YG.*
11. **Fundraising:** Council would like to determine a goal for Fundraising – in past years it went towards the Buddy Bench and new sound system. *Action: Council will ask Jesse to query the teachers at the next staff meeting to see if they might have a 'wish-list' for a fundraising goal for Council (i.e., culinary supplies?).*  
Council has enlisted In Bloom Flowers to create Christmas Center pieces for fundraising. Families will have 3 color options to choose from. Scott Kent is also working on organizing a golf tournament for fundraising in the spring.
12. **Communication: no updates**
13. **In Camera Session: N/A**  
**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm

**Deferred Items:**

YFNED Presentation: requested for Spring 2023

Revision of School Conduct Plan – Fall 2022

RCMP Presentation / visit regarding student safety – 2022/23

Action Items from 2021-22 school year:

- Trine/Jesse will determine the priority areas to include in the glass door funding request. Deferred from last year.
  
- (Carried over from last year) Trine will also reach out to her contact at the RCMP to check their availability to present a 'stranger awareness' presentation to the students.