

Golden Horn Elementary School Council
Regular Council Meeting
March 2, 2023
Golden Horn Library

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

Present:

Council Members

Amber Hirsch, Chair
Emily Woodruffe
Jessica Boyd
Christine Aikens
Caitlin Knutson

Administration

Jesse Ward, A/Principal
Emily Quarton, A/Vice-Principal

Shelly Peters, Secretary/Treasurer

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:06pm

2. Review & Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Emily, seconded by Caitlin that the agenda be adopted. CARRIED

3. Review & Adoption of January Minutes

Moved by Jessica, seconded by Emily that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting dated February 2, 2023, be adopted. CARRIED

4. Administration

Action Item Review:

- 1) Student conduct plan will be deferred to April.
- 2) Parking lot meeting and discussion will be covered later in the meeting.
- 3) YFNED/YFNSB presentation will be further discussed later in the meeting.
- 4) In the February 8th meeting of School Councils, school council liability was discussed and determined the legal risk for school councils and members is so low so long as you are acting within the authorities granted to you by the Education Act and so long as you perform without negligence. – completed
- 5) Coast Mountain has cashed the cheque – completed
- 6) ESED grant has been forwarded to administration for review and input and will be submitted by deadline on March 10th. – completed
- 7) Amber reached out to FHC regarding students with existing SLPs and was provided the process that is currently in place. Currently a student with a SLP is identified by the teacher/LAT from GHES to FHC (or other secondary school) and communication will continue from there with counsellors. – completed
- 8) Shelly completed an ESED grant that the school can submit for \$5,000 towards the Barton licensing. – completed

Financial Report: As of February 28, there is approximately \$12,170 in the bank account; the cheque for \$8,920 to Coast Mountain to pay for the skis, bindings and boots that were ordered has now been cashed. The \$900 holdback from YG in relation to ESED has not been released. Every Student, Every Day grant is due March 10th and Lotteries Yukon regular intake for smaller/medium sized project funding (equipment, construction and renovations up to \$100,000) is due April 15

5. Correspondence

AYSCBC Chairs Meeting (Jan 5): reviewed the minutes distributed by the AYSCBC. Key take aways were inclusive education review, education planning initiatives, FNSB timeline, 2023 AYSCBC AGM/Spring Conference.

Department of Education School Councils Meeting (Feb 8): was attended by Christine (in person), Amber (virtually) and Jessica (virtually). Reviewed the minutes distributed by YG. Key take aways were CASA agreement, Whitehorse capital planning engagement, school council liability, Safer Schools Action Plan and school council training opportunities, reimagining inclusive and special education (RISE).

Improved Student Outcomes/Education Progress Report: reviewed the report released by YG and the phase two of the staff student outcomes. Policies should be reviewed by the end of the year. Timelines seemed tight in relation to the feedback request due to spring break. Will revisit in the coming months.

RISE Update: a FAQ is expected to be sent out; council members will reach out to YG with additional questions that they would like to see on the FAQ sheet. Would like to learn more in regards to how LATs are onboarded, in previous years (2017) LATs used to learn how to input IEPs into Aspen.

Administration should hear on EA allocation before the end of the school year. Administration will start to report monthly on allocations.

Advisory Committee to School Council Vacancy: the request was put forward to council, many members are busy with council, families, jobs and other commitments. Amber has announced she will put her name forward.

6. **Guest Presentations:** Scott Kent, MLA For Copperbelt North will be monitoring the budgetary amount for the field and will bring forward literacy questions regarding Dept of Ed run schools versus FNSB schools in the spring sitting.

7. A/Principal's Report

- 250 students enrolled
- One EA position is vacant
- 0.25 Admin Assistant position is vacant

8. Committee Reports/Updates

Transportation Committee: no update

School Growth Plan Committee: will meet on March 8th. Kim with LDAY will be in for the next three staff meetings and possibly a PD day doing training with the staff. Barton level one and two licensing has been paid for and people are starting to train in it.

FNSB Committee: discussion on the recent FNSB referendum was had. Reviewed the list of Q&A's from Faro. We will look at linking the FNSB monthly newsletter/website on our website for parents to obtain more information. Council is still interested in a presentation and Christine

will continue to reach out to FNSB and YFNED. Council will look to obtain a list of questions from parents/guardians to submit to FNSB/YFNED.

9. Capital Planning & Infrastructure: the meeting with Trevor and Chris with YG as well as Jesse, Marc, Jessica and Shelly has taken place. Notes from the meeting were distributed to council for review. Council will continue to meet, discuss and follow up with YG.

10. Fundraising:

Golf Tournament: Golf for GOES golf tournament is scheduled for August 26th, Scott, Jessica and Shelly met to discuss. A list of possible donors was established, requests of the council and requests from the administration were submitted.

Dance: the dance was well attended and appeared to be a success. Profit(loss) statement was presented, dance proceeds were \$565.00. Council has agreed to give this to the school to assist with buying shovels for the students to use on the playground.

Moved by Amber, seconded by Jessica that the that the \$565.00 profit made from the dance be donated to the school for shovels. CARRIED

11. New Items

Principal Job Posting: the principal job posting has closed and applicants will be short listed in the next week

12. In Camera: *moved by Amber to go in camera at 8:09pm*

13. Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 8:17pm

March Action Items Log

Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline
Student conduct plan	All Council Members	2023-04
YFNED/YFNSB presentation	Christine Aikens	2023-04
Reach out to KISS Naturals in September/October re: Christmas fundraising opportunity	Shelly Peters	2023-09