

Golden Horn Elementary School Council
Regular Council Meeting
June 1, 2023
Golden Horn Library

“School Council would like to acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Kwanlin Dūn First Nation, the Ta’an Kwäch’ān 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
 Caitlin Knutson
 Jessica Boyd
 Christine Aikens

Administration

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

Shelly Peters, Secretary/Treasurer

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:34pm

2. Review & Adoption of Agenda

Addition of Guest Speakers for next year and device policies under speaker series
Moved by Emily, seconded by Caitlin that the agenda be adopted with revisions. CARRIED

3. Review & Adoption of January Minutes

Moved by Emily, seconded by Jessica that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting dated May 4, 2023, be adopted. CARRIED

4. Administration

Action Item Review:

| Action Item | Discussion |
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| Student conduct plan | Defer to fall 2023 |
| Bathroom requirements calculation and capital que report for building repairs | Amber sent an email requesting an update; will follow up throughout the summer break and hopefully have more information in August |
| Follow up to results on capital engagement survey | Defer to fall 2023 |
| Janitor presence during the day; calculation explanation of why we aren't eligible | We don't qualify, no janitor will be present during the day due to the number of students |
| Draft and invitation to the Minister to attend the school for a viewing of the current state of the field | Minister is expected to be at the school on June 14 at 3:30 for a visit, will provide update in August |
| YFNED/YFNSB presentation | Defer to fall 2023 |

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| Reach out to KISS Naturals in September/October re: Christmas fundraising opportunity | Defer to fall 2023 |
| Response to CASA letter dated April 26, 2023 | Defer to fall 2023 |

Financial Report: As of May 31, there is \$16,435.18 in the bank account – this does not account for the bank fees that will come out at midnight tonight (estimating ~\$50 because of e-transfers). We have no outstanding cheques.

The Golf for G.O.E.S fundraiser has all hole sponsorship payments in, the presenting sponsor has paid, and we have received confirmation from one company that they will be issuing a \$500 donation shortly – as of May 31st we have received or deposited \$6,750 for Golf for G.O.E.S. The hanging basket fundraiser still has one unpaid invoice; final amount less the unpaid basket plus the \$600 that was paid to the school in error is: \$2,280.92.

5. Correspondence:

CASA Letter Response: We may need to follow up on the CASA letter dated April 26 (sent the same day) to the Minister in the fall once the legislative assembly is back in session. Move response the CASA to action items to follow up. *Action: move “response to CASA” to action items*

Field Visit with the Minister: The Minister of Education has a meeting scheduled for June 14th to attend the field in person. Amber and at least one more council member will attend.

AYSCBC Spring Meeting: Amber attended the AYSCBC spring AGM, her honoraria will be mailed to the school. Many schools spoke of similar concerns that our school has during the round table discussions. Amber has requested a copy of the que of school priorities.

R.I.S.E Meeting Debrief: Christine attended the R.I.S.E meeting on May 25th, there was a sincere approach, more information is needed. A summary of what was heard on the mental health piece was given and everyone seemed optimistic that there will be some changes coming. Advisory Committee on Yukon E: Amber has been appointed to the Advisory Committee on Yukon Education (ACYE) on the rural seat, this is a two-year commitment with three to four meetings taking place per year. Her first meeting is June 8th and will touch on student outcome, Reimagining Inclusive and Special Education (R.I.S.E) with specific communities providing updates and planning for the next year.

6. Guest Presentations: no guests present

7. Principal’s Report

- 250 students enrolled
- Pride Day celebrations are planned for June 12th
- Everyone is getting excited for the end of school
- Staffing may be updated over the summer; Amber has requested that council is notified of updates should things change

8. Committee Reports/Updates

Transportation Committee: the TSC focused on incident reporting as well as a bus safety campaign that will start in the Fall.

School Growth Plan Committee: Emily will send out the slide show this week the focuses on the key questions.

Speaker Series: there was an incident that happened in the intermediate grades on the school computers. IT has been made aware of the incident and are installing further firewalls to block

the content from being viewed. Jesse commits to putting in place new guidelines for staff regarding electronic use within the classroom (e.g. when using classroom electronics students will be supervised at all times, and screens will be oriented so teachers can see them). *Action: Jesse to update council on new guidelines in September.* A possibility would be to bring a speaker in to discuss further understanding/learning the internet and the risks that come with online access and digital awareness. *Action: Caitlin and Christine will contact some schools that have had a speaker on this to get more information.*

Addiction prevention and education at the intermediate level is another speaker series that may be beneficial to the older grades, especially as they prepare to transition to high school.

- 9. Capital Planning & Infrastructure:** Stantec came to the school on June 1, they were present in the morning during drop off and pick up. Jessica has sent a follow up email on the visit to Chris Hanlin.

Jessica has been following up with Trevor Justason on a weekly **basis** – we have not received a follow up or response from them and will continue to follow up with him throughout the summer.

10. Fundraising:

Pine Grove Run: Watermelons have been ordered and will be picked up on June 5th, we ordered the same amount as last year. Caitlin will be buying freezies for the grade six class to sell.

Golf Tournament: we are hoping to get a few more items in for the silent auction, Shelly to adjust the flyer and print 200 copies in colour to get sent home with the kids *Action: Shelly to print 200 copies of the Golf for G.O.E.S poster to send home before school is out.*

Fundraising Committee: Amber spoke with some schools that have set up a separate Fundraising Committee as a not-for-profit that will allow them to apply for lotto licenses, as well as other grants. This is something we should investigate further in the fall. *Action: Fundraising Committee discussion/establishment*

11. New Items

Thank you, Emily: Thank you to Emily for your dedication to the Golden Horn School Council, your knowledge and commitment to the school will be missed.

Vacant School Council Position: a letter will need to go out in the last newsletter that there is a vacant position on Council. Deadline for interested applicants will be June 24.

PD Funding Payment: PD funding is to be paid to the members as follows:

- 12. In Camera:** *moved by Amber to go in camera at 9:00pm*

- 13. Adjournment:** meeting adjourned at 10:06pm

June Action Items Log

| Action Item | Person Responsible | Deadline |
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| Print 200 copies of Golf for G.O.E.S and drop to school | Shelly Peters | 2023-06 |
| Student conduct plan | All Council Members | 2023-09 |
| Bathroom requirements calculation and capital que report for building repairs | Amber Hirsch | 2023-09 |
| Follow up to results on capital engagement survey | Amber Hirsch | 2023-09 |
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| Speaker series on digital awareness and possibly addiction prevention/education | Caitlin Knutson Christine Aikens | 2023-09 |
| Fundraising committee discussion/establishment | Amber Hirsch | 2023-09 |
| Jesse to update council on a new guideline regarding electronic use in the class | Jesse Ward | 2023-09 |

Fall Agenda Items

- Before school gathering
- Update department and AYSCBC on council changes
- Update bank
- AGM planning
- Rink and soccer field