

# GOLDEN HORN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting Type:** Regularly Scheduled Meeting **Date:** October 5, 2023

**Location:** Golden Horn School Library **Time:** 5:30-6:30

**In Attendance:** Amber Hirsch, Christine Aikens, Caitlin Knutson, Shannon Fulop, Shelly Peters – Secretary/Treasurer

**Administration:** Jesse Ward, Principal  
Emily Quarton, Vice-Principal

**Guests:** Trevor Ratcliff,  
Lori

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*"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."*

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**1. Call to Order:** meeting was called to order at 5:35pm

**2. Review and Adoption of Agenda:**

Moved by Amber, seconded by Christine THAT the agenda for October 5 be adopted with the below additions.

- Section 5 correspondence: add in Kate White, Leader Yukon NDP email received on October 5 regarding LAT position.
- Section 5 correspondence: add in EA allocation improvement initiative from AYSCBC.

CARRIED

**3. Review and Adoption of Minutes:**

Moved by Christine, seconded by Amber THAT the minutes for June 1 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Moved by Shannon, seconded by Amber THAT the minutes for September 7 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**4. Council Administration:**

Action item logs - Reviewed action items from September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, updated action log  
Financial report - As of September 29 there is \$20,188 in the bank account, we have not received our grant and PD funding from YG, which will be deposited sometime in October as it historically has been. We continue to hold the funds raised from Golf for GOES in trust and will discuss disbursement via email.

**5. Correspondence:**

- September 21<sup>st</sup> email from concerned citizen: was discussed, and conclusion was that this was a concern that should be dealt with by administration. The concerned citizen wanted to ensure that Council was notified as there is no community association in the current subdivision.

- Safer Schools Action Plan: 23 actions have been completed, Council is to review the initial reply and discussion will take place at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. *Action: all council members to review Safer Schools Action Plan and prepare to discuss on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.*
- AYSCBC Fall Gathering: who would like to attend this event taking place on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.
- October 5<sup>th</sup> email from Kate White, Leader Yukon NDP: confirmation of the two additional FTE's requested has been fulfilled *Action: reply to Kate's email and advised one position has been filled and the other has been posted.*
- EA Allocation Improvement Initiative: school councils and schools received and invite to take part in this new allocation initiative being hosted by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractor. Council has decided to decline this invite as Emily Quarton will be attending on behalf of the school. *Action: Amber to email declining the invite.*

**6. Guest Presentations:** no guest presentations

**7. Principal's Report:**

Presented by Jesse: 240 students enrolled, Library Clerk position vacant, 1 vacant EA position

**8. Committee Reports/Updates:**

- Transportation committee:
  - discussion on the communication and SMS notifications not being received by some parents. System was showing 100% delivered and are currently looking further into the issue.
  - Looking forward is a safety awareness campaign where Standard Bus may come and do a "riding the bus safely" session with students as well as an emergency drill.
- School growth committee (SGP):
  - met on September 19<sup>th</sup>, this year is a pivot from literacy/numeracy to GOES. What does GOES mean, what does it mean per grade, new missions/new values.
  - A question regarding the follow up on the survey from last year regarding the key questions. Can/when will we do these again, possibly not part of the SGP, maybe a key part of the shift.
- Community engagement: defer to next meeting
- FNSB committee: defer to next meeting
- Fundraising committee:
  - Shelly to reach out to Decora regarding holding a make class in the gym with multiple families in late November before the December holiday busyness begins. *Action: Shelly to reach out to Decora*
  - Amber will be placing a hoodie order with the new logo, this will be done the same as the past where an additional fee will allow names/slogans/etc on the back. Discussions were had on assisting students that may have a financial constraint when wanting to place and order to attend an event. We will discuss further how to offer grants or financial assistance. *Action: discuss grants/financial assistance to students that may not be able to participate in fundraising/order events*

- Advisory Committee for Yukon Education (ACYE): attendance at this meeting feels redundant and Amber may excuse herself as a representative

#### 9. Capital Planning and Infrastructure:

- Parking lot: Stantec is working on a new plan that will be reviewed in April. Signage has been updated as requested.
- Playground/Tarmac/Soccer Field: discussion has taken place regarding the plans to replace the soccer field for 2024/2025 season. Marc Senecal and Shelly attended the meeting a RFP for design options should be coming out soon with a site meeting taking place in April.

*Action: Follow up on site meeting taking place in April*

#### 10. New Items:

- Golf for GOES Money Disbursements: council will discuss via email how to approach the disbursement from the funds raised from Golf for GOES *Action: continue discussion regarding disbursement of funds*

#### Action Item Log

Action Item	Person Responsible	Due
when should members be reimbursed for meeting attendance. What committees/meetings will result in reimbursement	All council via email	November
Safer schools action plan discussion follow up to November agenda	Shelly Peters	November
yearbook pricing/options <i>Mixbook ~\$65USD each for 8.5x11 classic portrait glossy hardcover with 123 pages (200 books). Includes free shipping, 1 free proof</i>	Shelly Peters	November
Continue discussion with Decora regarding Christmas fundraiser	Shelly Peters	November
Hoodie order	Amber Hirsch	November
Financial support for students that may require grant opportunities for fundraising	All council	November
Golf for GOES disbursement	All council	November
Follow up on results re: capital engagement survey	Amber Hirsch	December
Ice rink feasibility (insurance/safety, additional resources, etc)		December

Progress of new counsellor position	All council	December
Student Conduct Plan	All council	December
Reach out to KISS Naturals in January/February re: spring break fundraising opportunity	Shelly Peters	Mid-January
Soccer field assessment follow up	Amber Hirsch	April
Tarmac repair	Amber Hirsch	April
PD funding disbursement	All council	May