

William King Elementary School

School Advisory Council



Date: May 30, 2023

Attendance: Catherine Bouliane, Nicole Munroe, Sherry Forester, Heather Belen, Jill Walker, Mary Stea, Crystal Purcell and Kim Ritcey

Regrets: None

Observer: Anna Leblanc

Minutes: Nicole Munroe

Call to Order – 6:03 pm

Approval of Agenda – Moved to approve by Jill Walker, motion second by Mary Stea and passed.

Approval of Minutes – Moved to approve by Mary Stea, motion second by Jill Walker and passed.

Business arising from Meeting Summary

- a) School Support Staff Strike Update – not a lot to report. Trying to support them as much as possible, bringing them treats. Families and staff went during their lunch break to support them. Focus is keeping kids safe. Feeling in school is not the same. Question asked about who else has First Aide and CPR training with EPA's on strike? A Teacher from the lower and upper ends of the school.

New Business

- a) School Food & Nutrition Policy Survey – school provides a fruit, grain, and dairy (yogurt which has fiber in it).
- b) SAC Report Back – thanked everyone for participating. Sent a power point report back. 41% of schools in HRCE have full compliment, 59% do not have full compliment. People asked for more training and support.
- c) SAC videos from HRCE – Sherry sent these to everyone prior to the meeting.

d) SAC Annual Report – Due June 15th. HRCE has not sent it yet.

Student Success Plan & P-2 Reading Priority Initiative

Moving along. Data has been entered. Looked at every student. Gathering and looking at work so they are ready for September to begin the lessons. They are on track.

Treasurer's Report

There is \$0 left. Kim Ritcey provided a copy of the detailed category summary which included all transactions to date 09/01/2022 – 05/30/2023. The fiscal year starts in April.

Principal's Report

Academic

- Numbers for next year: Grade Pre Primary 27, Primary 44, Grade 1 32, Grade 2 38, Grade 3 33, Grade 4 38, Grade 5 4. We are pretty sure it will change. Original configurations had us with 7 combines. Right now, we have it at 5. Almost all classes are at cap P-2 is 22 cap and 3-5 27 cap.
- Transition to Junior High Meetings happened on the 18th
- Primary Orientation scheduled for June 6 2023 was cancelled. Can't do it without Support Staff.
- Reading Café May 3 6:30 to 7:30 in the library went really well with approximately 21 parents. May have another one in the fall. Maybe a Math Café.
- Literacy Coach is here for support and worked with a lot of our teachers the past 6 weeks.
- Mad Science workshops really well received.
- Our Art program is gone next year.
- There will be some staff changes. Ms Saunders is leaving. Ms Watters and Mr McCarthy's terms are ending. Ms Casey grade 3/4 is going on maternity leave. Getting a new Guidance Counsellor. Mr Selkirk is coming back, was on deferred leave. Will be posting for new music Teacher.
- Super Nova 4 classes.

Operations

- Completed two fire drills. One left.
- Fountains also have a drinking spout.
- EPA's on strike.
- LCD's and iPads have arrived. We do have to pay for electrical.

Other

- P-2 students are going to Noggins Farm for their end of the year trip June 9th.
- Grade 2 Mc Kay, 3's and 4's taking trip to Discovery Center and Africville Park for lunch June 22
- Grade 5's are going to Get Air on June 16th.
- Grade 5 closing June 26th. Breakfast for the students and a little gathering of acknowledgement.
- Spring Fling June 10 2023.
- June 14th Grade 3-5 going to Bayside. P-2 will have a fun day at School.
- Field Day the 21st. Rain date the 23rd.
- Pop-up pasta lunch for the school.

Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm

Next Meeting Date - September 26, 2023, at 6pm