

Gwynne School Parent **Council**
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
Date: October 19, 2020

Note: These minutes have not yet been approved.

1. Attendance and Call to Order at 7:02pm – Virtual Meeting via Google Meet

Stu Wilson
Kristine Belbeck
Laura White
Michelle Loov

Erin Ballhorn
Candice Brooks
Vicki Croft

2. Adoption of Agenda

- Move to adopt the agenda – Laura; 2nd – Kristine; Carried.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting – September 21, 2020

a. Errors/Omissions:

b. Business Arising:

- The minutes from the September 21, 2020 meeting did not get posted online so no one had access to them. They will be reviewed and approved with these minutes at the November meeting.

4. Principal's Report – Stuart Wilson

- Gwynne school has lost a few students since the last meeting. There are now 89 students attending in person and 4 doing school-at-home. There are now 11 kindergartners.
- Teachers just finished doing modified Parent-Teacher Interviews. The teachers did a good job reaching out to all of the parents who wanted to be contacted. The next round of Parent-Teacher Interviews will be in early December after report cards have been given out. The same protocols will be in place with virtual or phone meetings.
- Stu got the results from the Accountability Pillar survey that was completed early in the year before the school was closed to students. Gwynne received all blues which is excellent. Stu will have Angela post the results on the school website for any who are interested in the details.
- Stu will also have Angela post the highlights of the budget and the education plan on the Gwynne School website under forms and documents. The education plan hasn't changed much with the main focuses being on literacy/numeracy and promoting a safe and caring school environment.
- The school office is short on mittens, toques and snow pants for the younger kids. They will be putting out a message to parents asking for donations.

- Darren Demone sent Stu an email informing him that Ashley Leeb was the 2020 graduate who received the GSPA scholarship. Darren would like a cheque to present to her. Candice will take care of that.
- Grades 4 to 8 kids will be doing a survey in the next couple of weeks entitled “Tell Them From Me”.
- They will be presenting awards to the kids at the end of this month but they will be presented in class instead of in an assembly.
- The Chromebooks are starting to lose their finishes from being sanitized multiple times a day. Regardless they are still functional.
- Stu was asked by a parent if purchased, individually wrapped Halloween candy can be sent early and then allowed to sit in the classes for a few days in anticipation of Halloween parties and Stu said that would fit within the guidelines.

5. Teacher’s Liaison – Michelle Loov

- Teachers have made it into routines and are really into the swing of things.
- On Thursday afternoons for the last hour of the day all of the classes participate in Take Me Outside games.
- Halloween activities are starting in the classes. The costume parade will be outside this year as they can’t meet for assemblies in the gym currently. No parents are allowed to attend so please ensure your child can get themselves dressed in their costume. They are trying to keep things as normal as possible under the circumstances but no outside food can come into the school for the parties.

6. Additions

a. COSC (Council of School Councils) – October 17, 2020

- Kristine attend the meeting. It was the AGM and started at 10am and was scheduled to run until 3pm. Kristine logged off at 5pm. The next meeting is in April.

7. School Board Trustee, Lynn Ware – Unavailable

8. Adjournment

- Move to adjourn by Kristine; 2nd – Candice; Carried.

Adjourned at: 7:27 pm

Next meeting scheduled for: November 23, 2020 at 7 pm