



Walter and Gladys Hill School Council

Wednesday, September 29th, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Present: Freya Fourny (Chair), Tiffany Lavechia (Secretary), Shannon Smith (Parent Council Advisor), Kriscinda Maki (Director at Large), Elena Gould (Director at Large), Janet Pardy (Director at Large), Mr. Toner (Principal), Ms. Giroux (Vice Principal), Marie McKay, Andrea Hall, Marcey Rosser, Sepi Samimi

Freya “I want to acknowledge that we are meeting on Treaty 8 territory and we honour and acknowledge all of the First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples who have lived, traveled and gathered on these lands for thousands of years. I would also like to acknowledge the recently discovered remains of 215 children whose lives were lost.”

1. Meeting called to order at 6:34pm by Freya
2. Review Agenda
3. Motion to approve June’s minutes by Freya second by Janet
4. **Principal Report:**
 - Mr. Toner
 - It’s been a busy start to the school year with 508 Students enrolled, compared to 468/470 last school year.
 - There is no need to surplus staff this school year.
 - The ATA (Alberta Teachers Association) has placed all staff at WGH in permanent positions.
 - The “Meet and Greet” with Parents and Staff went well. It was a great morale booster for Teachers.
 - Covid Policy changed slightly the first week for all Staff and Students from Grade 4 up being required to mask at all times, aside from exercise and eating
 - Covid Policy still in place is regular service to the HVAC system, regular hand washing, sick policy
 - Requirements for Staff to be vaccinated will be upcoming

-The school was on a watch list for Covid outbreak, but that will be removed tomorrow (September 30th) with percentage dropping below 10%.

-“Katelyn Slater Day” was wonderful and the students enjoyed greeting her.

-October 8th PLF: Teachers will discuss where students are at with grade level regarding literacy and numeracy. Thanksgiving and Remembrance Day will allow Teachers to help Students up to speed.

-Natasha from the Multicultural Association will be working with Students who have language barriers.

-School Report Card shows Students are at Grade level and results show they are slightly above average.

- Mr. Skulsky

- Tech is officially at a 1-1 ratio for Grades 3-6.

- Grades 1-3 have 15 iPads to share.

- Grade level cohorts are being sustained.

- Ms. Giroux

- The library is up and running.

- Volleyball and other School sports/activities have started.

- ECDP Students return on September 7th, 2021.

5. Role of School Council/Nomination Process AGM:

- Documents for Roles and Nomination process are on the School Website for reference.

- Nominations for new roles will be online again.

- Chair and Secretary are two year positions, which means the current standing of Freya as Chair and Tiffany as Secretary are filled; however, Freya has chosen to step down from her position as Chair.

- \$500 has been given to each School Council from the Government for Council to engage in Parent/Guardian feedback and share ideas.

6. Discussion of Last School Year:

- Zoom meetings as opposed to in person-will continue for the next School Year.

- RMWB meeting regarding the playground ended in June, hoping to revisit after AGM.

- Hot Lunch is still not accessible as the district won't allow.

- Picture Day was held this School Year on September 28th and was a success. Retake day is scheduled for November 17th.

- Desks arrived mid summer and some Teachers are utilizing them successfully.

7. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- AGM (Annual General Meeting) is Wednesday, October 27th, 2021.

- New Council can decide if they would like to change the reoccurring monthly meetings. As for now, they are scheduled for the last Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm.

8. Meeting adjourned by Freya at 7:12pm

Meeting Minutes Completed by: Tiffany Lavechia

Minutes approved by: Freya Fourny
