



**Gesner Street Elementary School
10 Gesner Street, Oromocto, E1V 2S8**

**Parent School Support Committee Minutes
Date: April 9, 2024
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: In Person & Virtually on Teams**

Attendees: Tinika Lowe, Jolene Hoadley Horquay, Sarah Purcell, Kelly Till, Sherry Jonah, Nolan Gervais, Christina Raymond and Thomas Geburt

Regrets: Sheila Baker, Joy Burgess, Robyn MacKenzie, Rachael Bertram, Lisa Bernard and Tara Bertram

Call to Order: Jolene called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Approval of the Agenda: Sarah approved the agenda and Kelly seconded.

Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting: Kelly approved the minutes and Nolan seconded.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Sustainability Study Meetings
 - DEC Presentation March 16th
 - On this day, there were two sessions, one in the morning at Hubbard and one in the afternoon at Summerhill. The presentations in the morning meeting were from Burton (3 speakers) and Hubbard / Assiniboine (1 speaker). There were 57 members of the communities present at this meeting. In the afternoon, there was one presentation, given on behalf of all 7 school PSSCs. There were 17 members of the communities present.
 - 5/7 schools identified they would like 3 K-8 schools to replace the current 7 schools.
 - 2/7 schools identified they would like 2 K-5 and 1 6-8 schools to replace the current 7 schools.

- DEC tour of our school March 23rd
 - The tour was focused on structural and use of space in each school. They saw five of the schools within the study on this date. Summerhill and Hubbard were toured on 16 March.
- May 9th at 7pm, OHS Theatre area – This will be meeting #3 of the sustainability study.
 - The Council will meet before 7 pm to conduct normal business and then will join the public meeting at 7 pm. At this meeting, the DEC will make the decisions on the formation of the three new Oromocto schools.
- PSSC to view the calming spaces: Committee members toured the calming spaces at the end of the meeting.

New Business:

- WIG/ 4DX: Wildly Important Goal = WIG & 4DX is a system the district has established on how to set and achieve goals.
 - Tinika joined training with the district to learn about WIGs and took it upon herself to try it out with a personal goal. She loved the process and found success. She then introduced it to her grade 2 class and the class really enjoyed it as well. Next they introduced it to the ESS team and now some classroom teachers are starting to use this goal setting process. The staff are going to be trained on this process later in the school year. Overall, everyone is really enjoying it and seeing success!
 - WIG: there are 4 steps to establishing a WIG
 - Determine lead measures
 - Compelling scoreboard
 - Accountability
 - End goal
- RCMP Presentation at Hubbard on April 18th at 6:30pm (Online Safety)
 - Would Gesner families be interested? Yes. The committee agreed that they would like to send out an invitation to Gesner families about this presentation.
- Welcome to Kindergarten is scheduled for May 24th from 1:30-2:30 pm. on this day, children entering Kindergarten will come to the school and spend 30 minutes in a classroom while their parents meet in the gymnasium to learn about the transition to kindergarten. Afterwards each child and one of their parents will go on a bus ride around the block. Jolene will be present to represent and encourage parents to join the committee.

Date of Next Meeting: May 14, 2024

Agenda for next meeting:

Adjournment: