

Donald Young School Council Agenda  
September 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Call to order at 6:35 p.m.

- Welcome:

Attending: Kelly Forbes, Heather Bridgeman, Hope Mosbeck, Cheryl Foster, Mouminatou Kante, John Fuhrer

Regrets: John Sawatzky, John Laplante, Keri Kellar, Lois Dueck-Community Rep, Amanda Ogden-Staff Chair

-There will be a minimum of 4 meetings throughout the school year. Please try to attend so we are able to meet quorum and be able to make any decisions as a group.

- Election of Chair:

- Role of the chair - (Keri Kellar)

- Vice Chair - (John Fuhrer)

- Secretary -

- Reviewed the purpose of school councils (page 1 of the School Council Handbook) and the roles and responsibilities

2. Review and Approval of Agenda

Moved by: John Fuhrer

Seconded by: Cheryl Foster

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Employees of the School Board: Cheryl Foster & Hope Mosbeck

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

- John Fuhrer added hot lunch to the agenda

5. Old Business/updates

- Tell Them From Me results were shared from the Gr. 4-6 survey and Gr. 7-8 survey

6. News and Reports

- No new news or reports

7. Principal's Report

- Construction Update

- Weekly construction update newsletters are being sent home and will be continued until construction is completed.

- Construction is focusing on the link between the two schools. Construction is occurring after school hours to allow for a quiet learning environment. We are hoping to have the link completed at the beginning of October.
    - The grounds are coming along nicely with sod in the front of the school.
    - Some features to mention: Motion lights, sensor doors, lock down feature will lock all outside doors with one switch
    - Signs coming: Kiss n' Ride signs, Handicapped parking signs
    - Kiss n' Ride is going very well. All students are being picked-up and dropped-off curbside.
    - Cones are being placed around areas of construction. Gravel has been placed in the back of the school to reduce the amount of sand coming into the school.
    - Phase two of construction will begin in the Spring. Once this phase is complete, we will look at upgrades to the playground.
  - Upcoming dates of Events
    - Dates were shared for the following upcoming events: Int. Soccer, Terry Fox Run, Orange Shirt Day, Jr. soccer, Picture day, Fall Harvest (Gr. 5 students), Progress Reports sent home, IEP's sent home, and tentative Grand Opening

Open House will now be a Grand Opening for the school. The date is tentatively scheduled for October 26th.
  - School Improvement Planning Goals
    - Reviewed the three main goals for the school year (Community Culture & Caring, Literacy and Numeracy)
      - Community, Culture & Caring: Promote positive school culture where relationships are valued and all people are respected
      - Literacy: Focus on Literacy Programs that promote increased independence in reading and writing
      - Numeracy: Focus on balanced math to enhance students' overall competency in mathematics

## 8. New Business

- Review of the EQAO results
  - DYS scored above provincial results in all areas
    - In Grade 3 Reading 73% of students achieved level 3 or higher
    - In Grade 3 Writing, 73% of students achieved level 3 or higher
    - In Grade 3 Math 57% achieved a level 3 or higher
  - Grade 6 EQAO Results:
    - In Grade 6 Reading, 86% of students achieved a level 3 or higher
    - In Grade 6, Writing 86% of students achieved a level 3 or higher
    - In Grade 6, Math 79% of students achieved a level 3 or higher

- Policies Under Review - there are currently no policies under review
  - Hot Lunch - John Fuhrer brought forth that Boston Pizza has one meal option that is available that meets the nutritional guidelines. In the past, parent volunteers helped out to organize. Students would order and pay just like they do for hot lunch. Marie Fuhrer would be willing to help out. The Committee agreed that Wednesday would be a nice day to offer this to students. This could begin in November.
  - Milk orders - It was discussed that maybe we can look at providing additional options on how to provide milk to students. Options like a punch card or only providing choice of only a couple days a week.
    - Macaroni and Cheese - Council members would like to have macaroni and cheese included on the hot lunch program next month
9. Next Meeting Date: Week of November 13th-16th provide options of either 6:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.
- Send out a doodle pole to confirm committee members' availability during this week
  - Items for the next agenda: Fundraising and Christmas Dinner
10. Adjournment at 8:05 p.m.