

Donald Young School Council Committee Agenda
November 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
Donald Young School Conference Room

1. Welcome and Introductions
 - Call to order – 6:05 p.m.
 - Welcome and introduction of guests: Cheryl Foster, John Sawatzky, John Laplante, John Fuhrer, Lois Dueck, Andrew Harris, Lucinda Meyers, Heather Bridgeman
 - Regrets: Hope Mosbeck, Kerri Kellar, Mouminatou Kante, Amanda Ogden-Staff chair
 - Election of Secretary - position is still open

2. Review and Approval of Agenda
 - *Lois Dueck* moved that they be accepted

3. Review and Approval of Previous Minutes
 - *Cheryl Foster* moved that they be accepted
 - *John Sawatzky* seconded the motion

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest (if applicable)
 - Cheryl Foster - Employee of the Rainy River District School Board

5. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - Milk Orders- discussed how the current milk program is running

6. Old Business/Updates
 - Andrew Harris, Superintendent of Education
 1. Acting Principal - Lucinda Meyers is currently the Acting Principal at DYS. They are currently looking at who would be a good fit to place at DYS permanently. The board is currently in the process of hiring externally for the Principal/Vice-Principal Pool.

 2. Second Phase of Construction - Relocation of Grade 5, Grade 6/7 & Grade 7/8 Classrooms
 - The relocation would take place for the last three months of the school year (April, May & June)
 - Andrew mentioned some current possibilities. There is 1 portable that will be brought to DYS for the Grade 5 classroom and then mentioned the possibility of students being bussed to the secondary site (Sturgeon Creek School or Fort Frances High School). Both sites have rooms to accommodate the two classrooms.
 - Council members provided alternative options within the community like the United Church, Christian Reform Church, Curling Club, a portable at SCAP (which they were looking into for their tech program) or the Arena. School council members liked the idea of keeping students as close to DYS as possible.
 - Concerns were expressed about transportation time and Andrew mentioned that students would go directly from home to the new location. Students who currently walk would have to be picked up and be transported directly to the school (they may have their own bus).
 - It was suggested that the board speak to other parents to seek input (call the parents in those 2 classrooms or send a survey home) to discuss options.
 - The option of finding two other portables was also a favorable suggestion that was mentioned.

- Updated School Improvement Goal for Numeracy (shared new goals)
 1. Reviewed revised Numeracy goal on the School Improvement Plan. Guided Math was added as a Strategies. Heather and Lucinda explained what Guided Math looks like and why it is an effective instructional strategy in all grade levels.
7. News and Reports
- No news or reports
8. Principal's Report *[Lucinda Meyers and Heather Bridgeman]*
- Safe School Team – Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan (BPIP)
 - Everyone review the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan. It was decided that the School Council will also be the Safe School Team.
 - Construction Update - We are currently working through a deficiency list with Travis to ensure the last of the construction items are completed.
 - Playground Committee Update - There was a meeting held with Travis Enge on October 23rd. The board has provided DYS with \$316, 971 for new playground equipment. There is also \$9,866.50 currently in fundraising. The committee came up with a plan that has been submitted to the architect.
9. New Business
- Hot Lunch - Discussed the option of continuing BP orders twice a week from April-June as there will be no hot lunch program.
 - Fundraising
 - Christmas Celebration Update - The last day before Christmas break, students will be participating in a variety of activities in their house groups.
 - Upcoming Events:
 - Nov. 14 - Progress reports are sent home
 - Nov. 20-24 - Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week
 - Nov. 21 - Parent/Teacher Interviews 3:45-7:00 p.m.
 - Nov. 27 – PD Day
 - Nov. 28 – Borderland Community Orchestra
 - Dec. 14 – Christmas Concert @ 6:30 p.m.
10. Questions and Answers
- There was a brief discussion on the Internet Security on Chrome Books
11. Next Meeting Date
- Doodle Pool - February (1st week)
 - Winter Olympics (week before March Break) - be a country research as a group, etc.
 - Jump Rope (contact organization)
12. Agenda Items for Next Meeting
- Follow-up regarding relocation of Grade 5, Grade 6/7 and Grad 7/8 Classrooms
 - Winter Olympics
 - EQAO dates
 - Hot Lunch for April-June (BP Orders)
13. Adjournment @ 7:41 p.m.