

GLEN CAIRN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, December 10, 2019

AGENDA

1.	Welcome and Call to Order	Denise
2.	Approval of Minutes from Meeting of October 19	All
3.	Principal's Report	Angela
4.	Staff Report	Tracy
5.	Chairperson's Report	Denise
6.	Financial Report	Ryan
7.	New Business a) review of Principal Profile b) Fundraising Ideas??	
8.	Adjourn	

Minutes

Present:

Angela Chaplin – Principal	Kerry Humphrys – Member at Large
Julie Corrigan – Vice-Principal	Jen Ouellet – Member at Large
Denise Nap – Chair	Amy Hislop – Member at Large
Ryan Jaecques - Treasurer	Robyn Gordon – Member at Large
Jean-Ann Reed-Flieler – Secretary	Othman Alhusain – Member at Large
	Stephanie Siddall – Member at Large
	Amy Jaecques
Regrets:	
Tracy Ouellet – Teacher Representative	

Denise called the meeting to order and approved the minutes. Stephanie seconded the motion, all agreed and motion passed.

Principal's Report: Angela Chaplin

- Regarding labour relations, there are 2 separate groups:
 OSSTF (Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation) and ETFO (Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario).
 - ETFO started Phase 2 today, which includes, no additional field trips. If a field trip had been submitted and approved prior to today, it will be okay. No new trips after today. There is no indication how long this phase will last. Phase 3 will likely include no recess/after school activities.
- OSSTF called the school closure last Wednesday. This group includes not only teachers, but also social workers, psychologists, office staff, and janitors. They will be doing a rotating strike throughout Ontario. They must give 5 days notice prior to a strike day. Staff are paid 'strike pay' (\$55/day). There is not much impact on students at this point.
- The Halloween dance was very successful. 400 pounds of food was collected for the food bank and a \$350 cheque was presented to the Humane Society.
- The ROH (Royal Ottawa Hospital) mental health program is up and running.
- High School visits have started. January 20 the students will be visiting Bell H.S. The school website will be updated with the dates for the other schools.
- OPH (Ottawa Public Health) came to the school to do some teaching with both the Grade 7 and 8's regarding vaping. They also provided the immunizations and all went really well.
- CYC's (Child and Youth Care [Workers]) are running some sports programs for the students and providing organizational support every Wednesday. Angela Burns is their teacher resource person.
- The holiday band concert will be Tuesday, December 17.
- Next Friday (December 20) will be the last day of school before the holidays.
- January 8 the students will be having a presentation by Tad Milmine called Bullying Ends Here.
- Finances have been reviewed. There are some items needing to be purchased for the gym. John Mayvill (EA) has been replaced by Taylor Adams. Karen Hutchison (Office Assistant) will be

going to work at the Board office. Interview will be started tomorrow to fill her position.

- Enrollment numbers for this year: 319 (had been estimated at 312)
- Angela and Denise attended a meeting for the new High School in Stittsville. It is to be located by Robert Grant and Fernbank. The 5 year view of schools to be impacted include, GCPS, AY Jackson, South Carleton, Goulbourn, Katimavik, EOM, A Lorne Cassidy and Castlefrank. The 5 year projection for GCPS with no change (no new school) would be:

2020 – 358 students (over capacity @ 102%)

2021 - 388 students

2022 – 416 students

2023 – 490 students

2024 – 572 students (163% capacity)

There will be no school closures and no more than 50% of the school's population can be moved. The group will meet again in January with more discussions.

- January will see the Robotics club starting and the Coding club (Miss Burns to lead), with the Hour of Code possibly being a traveling Hour of Code at GCPS.
- The Board is looking at improving the WiFi in schools. GCPS is very good but when everyone is on it, it's busy.
- GCPS Tech mobile carts (White Boards) are breaking down. We now have on site, 14 projectors, 14 mounts and 14 White Boards are built. Everything is paid for, we are just waiting for installation.
- The BIP room is complete. Room 12 is complete, up and running with the Social Worker and Psychologist using it 2/week.

Staff's Report: Tracy Ouellette

• Deferred as Tracy is unable to attend due to restrictions associated with the current labour action.

Chair's Report: Denise Nap

- Denise asked about ideas or thoughts to increase attendance at meetings. The information is online and the email is available.
- At present there is no High School in Stittsville. Until now, a lot of OCDSB (Ottawa Carleton District School Board) students were leaving in grade 7 and going to the OCSB (Ottawa Catholic School Board) and 70% of Stittsville students going to South Carleton High School.
- The 2019 Student Survey is complete. It was completed by parents for students in Kindergarten to Grade 6 and students in Grades 7 and 8.
- OHRC (Ontario Human Rights Commission) is doing a survey for students with reading disabilities to give them an idea of supports needed.

Treasurer's Report: Ryan Jaecques

- The school will request money for the leaving ceremony.
- \$500 will be allocated for what to do to make GCPS a better place
- HST rebate cheque has been deposited.
- \$500 deposited from the Board for Council
- Denise to email GC Community Association re: Donation/cheque

New Business:

• Parent and Member at Large, Othman, presented a concern of his to the Council. He is

concerned about the safety of students in the school yard, the quality of education in general, the French language in particular and that the evaluation of the students is not adequate. He feels that there is not enough teacher supervision at outdoor recess time.

Angela indicated that 3 adults are required outside and inside during recess time as well as 2 in the morning (bus arrival and 08:25 school arrival). 1 EA is also present outside at recess time and Ms. Boall is there 50% of the time. In addition, 4 CYC (second year students) are there, 2 inside and 2 outside.

Members of the Council offered several recommendations to Mr. Alhusain, including contacting Ms. Christine Boothby (School Board Trustee for Kanata) and the Superintendent.

- Principal's Profile to be updated. Amy H. made the suggestion that the profile should be updated to include 'experience with BIP program. Denise moved to approve and Kerry seconded the motion.
- Fund raising was tabled until January as we wait to see what will come with the teachers strike/work to rule.

Tour de Table:

- Ryan discussed an escalation to Phase 3 where prebooked activities could be withdrawn immediately once the Phase was announced. OSSTF actions will impact more than ETFO.
- <u>Alhusain</u> asked how many people on the school yard are teachers? 2 teachers and 1 lunchtime monitor.
- <u>Denise</u> was told of an email sent through the school website (council) email that bounced back. Angela to look into this.

Denise adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 14, 2020.

********School Council meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of every month (excluding March, including December) at 6:30 pm******

November 12, 2019

December 10, 2019

January 14, 2020

February 14, 2020

March – No meeting

April 14, 2020

May 12, 2020

June 9, 2020