



WESTGATE SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday September 28, 2015

Library

Present:	Coral Charlton, Nick Sacevich, Delfina Trevisan, Tammy DaCosta, Margaret Zacheriesz, Bonnie Johnsen, Cheri Lappage, Tracy Desjardine
Regrets:	Mark Nowak, Carlos Santander
Welcome:	Coral welcomed everyone to Westgate and thanked all the new parents for coming. Spoke about the role of the council as an advisory body.
Elections/Appointments:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Delfina Trevisan • Vice-Chair: Tammy DaCosta • Secretary/Treasurer: Tammy DaCosta
Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Involvement Committee deadline and role discusses • OSBIE – voted against insurance • Policies and procedures – reviewed school accommodation policy and facilities use • Pro-Grant – Delfina gave an update on successful grant application from last year, parent council was able to secure a \$1000 grant to have a community support showcase night •
Reports	<u>Principal's Report</u> - attached to minutes
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Profile <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 880 total kids enrolled (incl. Kickstart) - more boys than girls - FNMI - 12% - MN/SN – 28 kids; PWP – 17 kids • Achievement data: OSSLT (82% , a 4% gain over year prior), positive trend in reductions of suspensions, positive trends in graduation rates and credit recovery (112.5 credits recovered last year) • Reviewed School Improvement Plan, discussed shift from pass rates to increasing students reaching provincial standard and rationale • Maintenance upgrade requests, discussed small gym and library, will be discussed further at next meeting
General Information, Updates and Inquiries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on Wyatt Wishart generous donation of equipment to refurbish the weight room • Update on Ryan's law – school obligated to do individual plans around asthma and train staff • Discussed new concussion policy and 'return to learn' – if a student participates in a high risk sport, they are required to do baseline concussion testing • Budget for parents council - \$515 carry forward from last year + \$924 for this year • Parent questions – how to buy Westgate wear for parents, discussed possibility of selling toques/scarves and donating profits to Me to We fundraiser
Adjournment	8:30 p.m. Next meeting Monday, November 23 rd , 7pm