



WESTGATE SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday September, 24, 2018

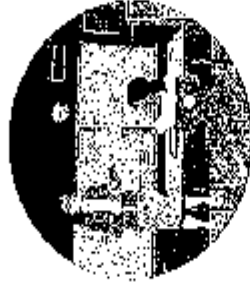
Westgate Library, 6:30

<p>Present:</p>	<p>Coral Szyszka (P), Nick Sacevich (VP), Robert Eady, Samantha Baltzer, Diana Petrunak, Rodi-Lynn Kinisky, Candace Skillings, Melanie Gottfred, Mary Jayne Smith, Pamela Hamlin, Shawna Kozak, Shannon Ambury, Krista Power, Jody Forester, Trevor Workman, Carlos Santander-Maturana, Jennifer Wark, Debbie Hill, Coral McCaul, Bonnie Johnsen, Dave Coates, Melinda Sault-Coates, Anna Sampson, Dave McCallum (VP)</p>
<p>Regrets:</p>	
<p>Welcome:</p>	<p>Introductions of all members</p>
<p>New Business:</p>	<p><u>Election/Appointments to Council</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The School Council elected the following positions: Chair – Mary Jayne Smith, Vice Chair – Anna Sampson, Secretary/Treasurer – Shawna Kozak
<p>Correspondence:</p>	<p><u>Insurance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional insurance was discussed and declined
<p>Reports</p>	<p><u>Principal's Report</u>-Coral Szyszka (P)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The merge between Churchill and Westgate is going well. • Construction challenges are being met and addressed. • Westgate Grade Nine Open house was held in August • A transition meeting was held • Kick Start programs began on September 7; 3 tech, 1 guitar, 1 business and 1 foods. • Grade 9 Welcome Luncheon was held on September 7th at the rear field. • Ambassadors for Grade 9 partook in ice breaking activities on September 17 • 2 Fire drills were performed. Norm is 1.5 minutes to evacuate, 1st 4 minutes, 2nd was less (as exit routes were adjusted). An improvement. • Fall sports: Boys Volleyball, Girls Basketball, Football, Golf and Cheerleading. • September 26 will be Orange Shirt Day for Truth and Reconciliation • Corn Roast is planned with the date to follow • Picture Day is October 15 • Parent/Teacher Interviews on October 25 <p><u>Staff Report</u> – Carlos Santander-Maturama</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The transition for staff and students to the new location has been going well. The construction has created learning opportunities. • The Gender meeting was greatly attended. • The construction of the learning lodge has been completed • Grad coaches have been arranged for the First Nation, Inuit and Indigenous students with lunch meetings providing additional help and discussion topics. • Biwaase'aa—an after school program with assistance with homework until 5:00 pm. Also provide support during the day.

<p>General Information, Updates and Inquiries</p>	<p><u>Student Report – N/A</u></p> <p><u>Online Math Support Presentation - Derek Sawyer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TVO rebranded the math tutoring website to TVO Mathify. • Online tutoring help for grades 7-10. • Certified math teachers from all over Ontario • It is a free service funded by TVO • Tutors are available from Sunday to Thursday at 5:30-9:30 pm • Both the student and the instructor is anonymous and confidential • The sessions have been updated with two-way audio, integrated text chat, recorded sessions, chat features and selection of your preferred tutors. <p><u>School Profile for 2018-2019 School Year – Coral Szyszka(P)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 130 staff • 1128 students, approximately 350 Grade 12 students, approximately 260 in each other grade • 23.1% Self identify First Nation/Metis/Inuit students • 22% Special needs students <p><u>School Renewal Update – Coral Szyszka (P)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$4 million budget shortfall • Library has seen new offices for SAC and GSA. Also a new Learning Lodge for FNMI students • Parking lot at rear has been designated for Staff, with the Walsh Street and Gordon Street Parking assigned for student parking • The Drop and Go is expected for completion by 2nd semester. • The Drama area should be completed by second semester • The Cafetorium is on track • The Girls Change rooms and staff room are slated for completion at the end of November • The Guidance offices have been completed. <p><u>Medical Plan Forms –Coral Szyszka (P)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Action forms were sent to students with medical conditions. The forms are to be reviewed by parents and returned to Dave Workman or Amy Duchene <p><u>Student Protest – Coral Szyszka (P)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 150 students participated in a protest against the change in the sex education curriculum. • Westgate staff remained neutral • It was organized by the Canadian Student Federation <p><u>Literacy Testing – Coral Szyszka (P)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The testing will occur on March 27, 2019 • A committee will be formed to review prior results and improvement recommendations. <p><u>Guest Speaker, Karl Subban - Coral Szyszka (P)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lakehead University Alumni and father of NHL player, PK Subban, gave a lecture at Westgate.
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>8:07 pm</p> <p><u>Next meeting?</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday November 22, 2018, 6:30 at Westgate Library</p>



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