# GBDSS School Council Agenda Wednesday, October 4, 2023

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Alison Murray Stickles

Staff

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Community Representative

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Regrets

Missy Schepers Holly Dusome

#### **Approval of minutes**

Correction of names from previous meeting.

# **Setting of Meeting times and dates - Hailey**

January 10<sup>th</sup> (January 17<sup>th</sup> as a snow day) March 21<sup>st</sup> (Same night as parent teacher. 7:30 start) May 8<sup>th</sup> June (Car show only)

# Teacher And Student Council Rep Report Teacher Rep - Donna-Mae

Christina P is the in school social worker. Every month she puts themed entries into Parent Newsletter

Hailey will ask her to come to a future meeting.

Second University fair is underway. More to come School participated in Terry Fox, Orange Shirt Day and there was a sacred Fire ceremony.

School has a new Dance Club. This club will eventually be a competitive team that will compete against other schools. The school has 7 dancers in the club. A board wide competition in May. One practice a week, possibly two. Competitors are also involved in the school production this year.

Sewing club is under way as well as the student art club

School participated in Rowans Law in September.

Participated in Custodial appreciation day. Student Council provided the

Custodial team with treats.

Trips that have happened: Geography trip to Toronto. Bears who care to Beausoleil Island in Partnership with Lakehead University

Parent Teacher Night October 12th

- Information for parents and Gr.12 to follow at 7:30 for applications to college and University
- SHSM Information Night as well. Registration was sent out in monthly newsletter

Academic awards night coming up.

#### **Student Rep - Karys**

- Beauty and the Beast auditions ended and roles were announced
- Held the first GBDSS Homecoming the 21st of September; big success
- Terry Fox walk the September 26th
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation was recognized the 28th; sacred fire and drumming
- Applications for university opened about two weeks ago on OUAC
- Lots of college and university visits during lunch + application assemblies and workshops
- Indigenous students participated in an archaeological dig at Georgian Bay Island National Park with Indigenous Graduation Coach.
- Food and hygiene drive for the guesthouse started Monday, continuing until next Friday
- Student council bought doughnuts for Custodian Appreciation Day

#### Fall sports are running

- Today there was a rugby tournament held at our school
- Friday Sr boys volleyball holding tournament
- Pep rally the 11<sup>th</sup>
- Sr girls basketball playing Elmvale in gym
- Sr boys soccer playing Nouvelle Alliance
- October 6th World Teacher Day
- October 10th green shirt day mental health awareness
- Art is holding a pressed flower soy candle workshop on October 18th

October 19th spirit day – neon day
October 20th PA day
October 25th Academic Awards night
Halloween movie night October 30th
October 31st - costume or blank/orange and Halloween costume contest

November 16th spirit day – favourite team colour/sports day November 17th PA day

## **Principal Report - Hailey**

Bleachers have been ordered. Site Prep has been quoted. We are waiting on a quote for assembly.

Landmark Cruises; we are waiting for the end of season total from the 50/50 to know the final donation towards the scoreboard. We may need to get one more community donation of around \$5K. Community Donors are getting names on the scoreboard.

School council priorities form to be completed.

Due in November. Will be completed outside of the meeting and submitted.

Currently only Hailey has everyone's email. Proposed creating a Council Group for email addresses. Anyone opposed to having email addresses shared? No issues with sharing email addresses in group emails passed by all.

Breakfast program update.

Harvest donations announcements have been made. The community seems to be responsive. We've had donations of squash and other vegetables. A woman with an apple tree offered to have students go and pick apples. Operation Grow has donated 30 cases of lettuce and will continue to do so when they can. St. Paul's United Church had a meeting with Hailey in regards to how they can support our breakfast program and will be in touch.

October 25<sup>th</sup> - Baking with the North Simcoe Rotaract. They will come and start baking. Here at GBD at 5:30

Misty - will call the Scarborough location for Krispy Kreme Donuts for potential fundraiser.

## **Parent Engagement Update - Alison**

Initial start to putting the Parent Engagement Grant together was successful, however slowly schools in the elementary panel felt the speaker was for higher grades and a different demographic.

Also, having date issues with the presenter. Only option would be to have it off site which would be costly and require fundraising/donations. Hailey - We may need to look at other options.

Discussed collectively if we could we have a variety of speakers/workshops offered here at the school to reach greater audience (Eg; Phys Ed offer a Yoga workshop, Tech offer a Car 101, Hospitality host a freezer meal workshop, our social worker could offer a presentation towards mental health and stress management, Cosmetology Dept could offer a spa night.) Grant would supplement the cost of supplies to run the event. Council approves idea and will start to look at community partnerships/ speakers to assist with the event. Looking at March or April This could also help with future career opportunities for students.

Black History Month movie presentation was a fantastic idea. Perhaps the Hospitality Program could cook a meal for the families to enjoy prior to the documentary.

Julie - Maybe Comm Tech could come to the events and take short videos and pictures of the events. Show the events in the media and get more families involved? Hailey to follow up with Comm Tech.

# **Fundraising Ideas and Decisions - Misty**

School has been approved for Bingo. Music will take the lead. Delta Bingo has offered once a week and possibly two. During Productions Council can take extra time. Proceeds to go to School Initiatives to keep it generic and able to use in any of our initiatives.

Some other fundraising ideas:

- Golf Tournament
- GBD Version of Colour Run
- Coffee House Board Game Café. Each Table is sponsored by a local business. \$10 per ticket to play. Included Coffee and One baked dessert. Other deserts available for sale.
- Drop and Shop (Holiday) childcare

Car Show Confirmed for June 1st.

Grant applications - Candon Jackson-Stickles
Offered to research and start application process for grants to assist with school

initiatives