

Gatestone School Council Meeting Agenda

Date: 09/28/2022 Time: 6:00pm

Topic	Presenter	Time Alloted
Attendance	Kelly Reilly-Scott (Principal), Katie Benedict (Teacher), Kristy Luker (Vice President), Krystal (Chair), Pam, Jennifer, Billy, Alexander, Emma, Dragana (in person), Barb, Renee, Javraj (online).	
Chair's Address	Krystal Legge	
Principal's/Vice Principal's Report	Kelly Reilly-Scott (P), Kristy Luker (VP)	
Teacher's report	Katie Benedict (Grade 1)	
Fundraising Report		
Treasurer Report		
Community Rep		

Agenda:

Principal/Vice-Principal Report – Kelly and Kristy

- Thanksgiving Address at the commencement and ending of the meeting – reflection and appreciation poem
- Land acknowledgement
- Pandemic Recovery Plan reviewed
- Gatestone Core Values reviewed
- School Improvement Plan: Focus on Safety, Reading, Graduation
- Resources to Support Educators reviewed
- Emergency Procedures reviewed: Fire Drill, Emergency Evacuation, Lockdown, Hold & Secure, Shelter in Place
- Fall Reorganization – Increased Enrolment: new reorg is 4 JK/SK classes, 1A, 1B, 1/2A, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4/5A, 4/5B, 4/5C, 5A, 5/6A, 6A, 6B, 7/8A, 7/8B, 8A, 8B, Junior/Intermediate Special Class
- Questions from Council – Daycare Umbrella door is opened from 7am-6pm. Why isn't it locked during the school hours and during secure and hold drills? Kelly has spoken to the daycare and they explained that it is locked during the school hours unless a staff member is utilizing the outdoor space. They fall under the Ministry for different guidelines that the school and the space is rented. Kelly will look into this further to see if this is an ongoing concern.
- Questions from Council – How do you announce a lock down or hold and secure to students? Kelly explained and gave a brief example of how they would announce to the school.

- Open House – October 12th, Pizza and Yogurt Sales, Scholastic Book Fair, Visits to Classrooms.
- Questions from Council – Can School Council have a table to recruit more members and share information? Kelly stated yes. A table will be set up in the gym for the Council. Krystal has a display board we can use from previous and Pam has a flyer idea.
- Fundraising – Student Action, Mabel Labels; Book Fair (Volunteers Needed), Terry Fox
- Excursion Process – accessibility for all, curriculum supported, cost
- Welcome Kristy, new VP to Gatestone. Kristy is part-time between Gatestone and Mount Albion
- Question from Council – when would a school migrate to a full-time VP role? 550 enrollment is typically supporting a full-time VP role.

Teacher's Report – Katie Benedict

- Slow-pitch tournament; Boys 2 Wins, Girls made it to the championship
- Terry Fox tomorrow, raised over \$2,000 through merchandise and fundraising. Runs/Walks will happen all throughout the day. Mr. McNabb gave a special thank you to everyone who supported the Terry Fox fundraisers.
- Friday is Truth & Reconciliation Day – Wear Orange, stickers and events happening that day
- Flag Football
- Gem Jars and Individual Class Parties to work towards
- Volleyball Girls Tryouts starting
- Intremorial Volleyball
- Question/Suggestion from Council – Will Gatestone Clothing be available earlier this year? Kelly will be introducing it sooner this year, however the school is already doing Terry Fox fundraiser and Mabel Label's, however will look at introducing. Council suggested to have the representative at the Open House and have options before the end of this year.

Chair Address – Krystal Legge

- Welcome to the Council's first meeting, introductions to School Council, members in person and online
- 4 meetings a year with sub committees that can meet additionally outside of the regular meetings
- Voting for new Council positions: Chair or Co-Chair, Secretary, Fundraiser, Treasurer, Social Media Rep. Krystal is the outgoing Chair this meeting.
- Chair for 2022-2023: Jennifer self-nominated for Chair, seconded by Pam and Krystal. Jennifer accepted.
- Secretary for 2022-2023: Krystal self-nominated for Secretary, seconded by Jennifer. Krystal accepted.
- Fundraiser for 2022-2023: Pam is willing to stay in her role for another term. Renee is willing to join as Co-Fundraising. Both accepted.

- Treasurer for 2022-2023: No interest in this position at this meeting. Kelly will ask Shannon if she is interested in staying
- Social Media Rep for 2022-2023: Billy self-nominated for Social Media Rep, second by Krystal. Billy accepted.
- Voting Members: to attend main 4 meetings. The Council requires 50% + 1 of voting members to vote items on the table for each meeting. Kelly reviewed voting members forms and the Council will reach out to those that are missing.
- Open House: Pam to send to Kelly and Jennifer the flyer for School Council to print for the Open House. Krystal to work on the board (re-vise it)
- Flip Give: When can we get it operating? Kelly is looking into ensuring it has Gatestone appropriate names/account and need to re-open the account. Council would like the Flipgive account opened earlier this year.
- Can we host a Bazaar this year? Yes, Council will discuss at the October meeting
- Krystal will send log in account information for social media accounts and Council email
- Council decided on upcoming future dates: October 2022, November 2022, January 2023, March 2023, May 2023

Treasurer Update – Money was donated last year from Council to support the outdoor learning space and graduation support. Thank you. \$304.79 + \$394.00 from Flipgive.

Questions from Council: Where can we assist with volunteers and fundraising? New Line painting, new trees for backyard. Krystal asked for Katie to ask what the teachers wishlist are so Council can support for the future? Volunteers needed for reading? Volunteers can speak with teachers to see if this would be helpful in their program.

Cross Walk Update (Barb) – Traffic Study completed. They won't put a light at our cross-walk as we are in close proximity of a 3-way stop (Summerfield). Barb continues to engage with the City regarding the electrical box and the close proximity to the cross-walk as it is on a high pad and many people unable to see past it (and drivers not seeing people due to the box).

Next Meeting Dates -

Council chose the next dates of the upcoming Council meetings. October 20, 2022, November 24, 2022, January 19, 2023, March 23, 2023, May 25, 2023 at 6pm. All in favor.

Meeting invites will be sent from School Council HWDSB email address.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm