Sir Wilfred Laurier and Elizabeth Bagshaw School Transition #2 Meeting

Wednesday, April 28, 2021 Virtual Meeting via TEAMS 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Committee Members:

- Estella Jones, Superintendent, Student Achievement
- Jo Ann Corbin-Harper, Elizabeth Bagshaw Principal
- Greg Moore, Sir Wilfred Laurier, Principal
- Gillian Stafford, Sir Wilfred Laurier, Vice Principal
- Carni Grewal, Elizabeth Bagshaw Teacher
- Mel Collingwood, Elizabeth Bagshaw Teacher
- Liz Tselepakis, Sir Wilfred Laurier Teacher
- Sofia Villeneuve, Elizabeth Bagshaw Rep
- Brock Erben, Sir Wilfred Laurier Rep
- Henna Bashir, Elizabeth Bagshaw Student
- Darius Scott, Elizabeth Bagshaw Student
- Gianna Williams, Sir Wilfred Laurier Student
- Alyssa Antinori, Elizabeth Bagshaw School Council Rep
- Djurdiica Gacic, Elizabeth Bagshaw School Council Rep
- Lucy Jindra, Sir Wilfred Laurier School Council Rep
- Elise Ritter, Sir Wilfred Laurier School Council Rep
- Rob Faulkner, Public Relations Officer
- Carole Paikin-Miller, Trustee
- Tanya Shaver, Executive Assistant

Welcome

Estella Jones welcomed all. The Land Acknowledge is recognized. Thanks given to members of the public for attending to observe. Committee members were introduced and Meeting Norms acknowledged. Meeting is recorded.

Transition Planning and Committee

A Transition Committee is established to address the transition for students and staff of Elizabeth Bagshaw School to Sir Wilfred Laurier School in September 2021. Elizabeth Bagshaw School will close.

Power Point Presentation Includes

- Agenda
 - Transition Plan
 - School Updates
 - Walking to School
 - Student Enrollment and Bell Times
 - Update from Principals & Input from the Committee
 - Next Steps

- Transition Committee
 - Activities to support the transition
 - Ideas to support clear communication
 - Plans for opening/closing ceremonies
 - Artifacts to be kept and/or traditions to be incorporated into the new school
- Accommodation Review Resolution
- Ministry Funding Approvals
- School Transition Plan
- Zone Maps
- Walking Map

SWL School Construction Updates

- Photos included of interior of the school showing:
 - New classrooms
 - New kindergarten room
 - Updated learning commons
 - New Science lab

Projected Enrollment and Bell Times

- 723 students 95% capacity
- 8:50 entry time
- 3:10 dismissal time

Update from Principals and Input from the Committee

- Joint group has developed questionnaires from students
 - Questions will be answered and virtual presentation
- June newsletter from Bagshaw will include a welcome message from Mr Moore
- Joint in-class meeting of students if public health restrictions lifted
- Virtual pen pals
- Virtual tour of school will be shared with Bagshaw staff to share with students
- Buddy up students for first day Laurier and Bagshaw students
- Purposeful placement of students in classes for a good mix from both schools

Closing Bagshaw

- Orders for Bagshaw t-shirts being taken
 - opening date and closing date on the shirt
 - available to community members as well
 - order deadline is May 6
- Trivia evening in planning stages
 - Questions about Elizabeth Bagshaw School
 - Virtual tour and open house in planning
- Question/Comment box will be available for students
- "Buddie Bench" will be moved from Bagshaw to Laurier
 - Laurier also has a Buddie Bench
 - Procurement will go through Bagshaw next week to determine what other items will be moving to Laurier from Bagshaw

School Information

- Viola Desmond is the official name of the school
- Articles and information will be re-posted on Laurier Website
- Maps posted on both school websites would be helpful