

GEORGE S HENRY ACADEMY SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES



Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2023

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Conference Room

In Attendance

Laura Pagnotta, Principal	Paul Cook, Chair	Shabnam Emami
Nika Moshiri		

Principal's Update

- The school council is an advisory body, that make recommendations to the principal of the school or the Board on any matter (Reg.612/20). The roles and responsibilities of a school council member include:
 - Attending scheduled meetings
 - Promoting the best interest of the school community, student development and academic excellence
 - Participating in decision making process which may involve voting on issues

The following position was acclaimed: Chair: Paul Cook

- Current student population – 485; projected enrolment – 444; over enrolment resulted in additional 0.5 FTE staff
- Current teaching staff – 27.5; Total staff – 47 (includes support staff)
- Last year's budget was \$111, 393 based on 476 students; preliminary budget \$105, 119 based on 442 students
- Facility Update – the construction in the Library is complete and it is being put back together again – new computers have been ordered, books are going back up on shelves, etc. Hoping to open before the end of the October
- School Fees - \$60 covers yearbook, SAC card, MySchool Day App, School-wide Activities. Emails to parents regarding school fees because many fees have yet to be paid.
- Truth and Reconciliation Week this week and Friday, September 29 is Orange Shirt Day at school; teachers have been incorporating Indigenous Education into their classes this week; school will continue to promote Indigenous Education throughout the year
- Grade 8 Open House – Tuesday, November 28

- Parent Teacher Interviews will be on October 26: 2-4pm, 6-8pm
- Free Dental Screening occurring on October 19 and 23. Students can book appointment at the main office with the dental hygienist.
- Weekly news bulletin is sent home to parents on Monday mornings about events and activities at the school – very informative
- Student photo proofs have come out. Photo retake day is October 25

Other Business

- No Items

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm