

## **SCC Meeting via Zoom – May 19 2020 at 4:30 pm**

Discussions were informal but the following content was covered.

### **2019-20 School Year**

There is provincial confirmation that school will not be returning until fall.

“What Does Re-Opening Look Like?”

- This will be facilitated provincially, as was the closing of schools.
  - Ed Continuity may look like it does today (virtual learning) or differently. We need to be patient.
  - The closer we get to Sept, the better idea we know, “What education will look like.”
  - We do know that education will continue in Sept. It will not be voluntary, but what it looks like???
- Ministry is looking to learn from other provinces, it is expected that they will be using a similar model.

### **2020-21 Staffing**

GSSD has facilitated staffing changes that will affect YCS. There will be some sting in the leaders we have lost. Sandra Diduck, Brittany Simmons and Julie Wilson will be leaving. The following teachers have been transferred to YCS: Megan Remniak, Bethany Rieken and Janine Hardy.

There is still some flex in staffing and additions will occur. Shaune will not commit to teacher placement and timetabling until staff members are known.

### **2020-21 Class Composition**

Shaune will shared that he is attempting to make an effort to commit to a single split classroom. This is for students, but also to look after potential concerns around COVID19 in the fall.

### **2020-21 School Fees**

Shaune brought this item forward for next year approval. Discussion occurred about being sensitive to fees forwarded in 2019-20 as well as what future fees may like next year. It was decided that it was easier to swing items on the school/SCC sides than on some home fronts. Nicole made a motion and it was seconded by Baydon. All in favour.

Fees for 2020-21 were reduced and set at \$10 per students.

### **Checking in With YCS Families**

The state of school families was discusses. Shaune noted that class participation in distant learning ranges from 45%-90% but he suspects that this will fall off after May long weekend. Staff members have been in contact with all families including some that moved out of the province. Teacher and grade levels check-ins have occurred, and any student that suddenly falls off in participation is noted. Shaune shared that staff have discussed the impact of seeding time for our agricultural families.

There was a discussion of that some families may not have interest in another fall like it was a spring. Perhaps more interest in home-schooling. Shaune shared that the COVID19 situation is too fluid and the province is committed to its own province. SEE ABOVE. We are discussing personal family decisions, though it should be noted all children must be registered regardless of the form of schooling. Shaune has shared that homeschooling will have similar challenges to distant learning at home (perhaps without

tech issues) and there are times that commitment periods are expected. Homeschooling is not something to jump in and out of even with COVID19.

Shaune reached to some staff members. Potential discussions included perhaps a Food Drive though this would be community-at-large. In terms of other support, most are receiving. It was felt that some efforts around potential help with school supplies, school participation fees to winter clothing may be needed.

### **School Events Impacted**

Shaune discussed that he would like to see Grade 8 Send Off/School Awards event in the fall. It may seem small but it is important to some students. The Yearbook will occur but it will take a different form. Yearbook coordinators are okay, but they may reach out if more content needed.

There was collection of Hot Lunch before we left. These funds will be left as credits to playing families. Shaune did see that the larger money collections were refunded. This included Experiences Canada and downhill skiing.

Year-end field trips and such cannot occur based upon provincial regulations. It may be nice to still have closure for some. Shaune will take discussion to staff members regarding wraps up and teacher gifts and meet your next year teacher (perhaps Zoom). Any direction would be helpful

### **Water Fountains**

“We are smarter as a collective than as individuals.” Shaune appreciated the discussion about disabling the “fountain tap” and promoting the “water bottle feed.” Shaune has spoken to custodians. On initial inspection, it is all of nothing. This would be for fall return. Shaune discussed with GSSD facilities. The idea was liked, and it will be explored.

### **2020-21 School Planning**

Shaune will see that a condensed school community report is shared with report cards. Generally, as much as 75% of our school improvement plan is completed before the end of June. This is unlikely to occur. Some aspects may take place online, but the first administrative days of 2020-21 in September may be geared towards this.

Next Meeting: June 2 2020 at 7 pm

Good discussion. Thank you. Meeting adjourned at approx. 6:45 pm

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