Next meeting: November 16 @ noon

September 21 @ 12:00 pm Google Meet Link

BGS School Council email address is: bgscouncil@gmail.com

Call to Order 12:07 pm

Present: Carol, Jade, Alahna, Jeff, Dawn

Agenda Additions:

Old Business:

1. Welcome Back BBQ to reschedule

New Business:

BGS Upcoming Events:

September 28-Schoolwide Terry Fox run (in classes)
September 29-Orange Shirt Day

September 30-Day for Truth and Reconciliation-non-instructional day

October 6 -Jr/Sr Awards (handed out in school)

BGS Admin:

- 1. Parent and community reaction to new protocols-community people are tired and angry with more regulations and cases rising. From the school's perspective we have not had a lot of push back around the new restrictions. Some schools have experienced people protesting in front of their building but BGS has not. Jade saw someone posting on social media that a mom from our school had to take her child to an adjacent community to get vaccinated as he was receiving criticism from his fellow classmates. BGS is aware of this situation and is addressing it with the school population.
- 2. School Sports-we are planning to continue with school sports at this time. CESD is addressing the issue of spectators. We are waiting on guidance from CESD. We know it's important to offer our kids school clubs and sports.
- 3. Grad 2022 May 27 (cap and gown) and 28 (prom), 2022-still planning our grad 2022. Had to postpone our Spaghetti Supper due to Covid restrictions. We are hoping to do this at a later date.
- 4. Golf grades 6 and 7-Dawn has been taking the grade 6 and 7 PE classes to the Bowden Golf Club. We have had some wonderful golf "coaches" who are members of the club to help us learn about the sport. Evan from the course has been a fantastic partner in helping us make this happen.
- 5. YES success coach-Emily Smith-local from Bowden with a psychology background. Will be working with Gaye Grenier and in our classrooms supporting youth wellness and empowerment.
- 6. Change rooms in gym almost ready to go. Washrooms in the elementary end have been all redone and they look great.
- 7. Discussion about Tik Toc "devious licks" trend that has students cause damage and take things from school. This has been addressed in the school.

FCSS Report:

- -FCSS Regional Project "Natural Supports" underway.
- -Community Garden is mostly harvested and being prepared for fall. Just a few root veggies and flowers left. We had a wind up BBQ for its members on August 25th. We are hopeful to include the school in the 2022 season with some new ideas for simple summer care.
- -Local residents donated some school supplies and were donated to school through the Family school Wellness,
- -FCSS Donated Feminine Hygiene products for the students to the office. More can be provided if you run out.
- -Community Garage Sale -Town wide on September 25, hub is at the Friendship Centre.

-Postponed "Line Dancing Lessons" and "Family Game Night" at the FS Centre until further notice (provincial restrictions) -Vision For Non-Violence regional conference has been moved to a virtual platform for November 12, 2021. Tickets available now!FSW & YES Talking about kids cooking class, FCSS will fund and help with other projects as needed.
Town of Bowden: The town will recognize Truth and Reconciliation Day on September 30. Arena restrictions can adopt the Vaccine passport program or go down to only those under 12 (no adults). The town will be having a discussion about this. The arena roof was assessed and it is in disrepair. It needs to be fixed and it is costly. Road construction is complete. Lighting going up around the community. Tim Hortons on track to open mid November. Barbarito (taco bar) is coming as well in the same area. New construction on Main Street. A couple of businesses are going to be there. Some zoning work is being done in town as well. Hopefully this draws more families to Bowden.
FOG: No report (Carla was absent) BGS is holding off of offering the breakfast program for now. Mustard Seed is providing lunches to those that need them.
2021/22 Meeting Dates: October 19, November 16, December 14, January 18, February 15, March 15, April 6 (Weds), May 17, June 21

Next meeting: October 19 @ noon