



PARENT ADVISORY MEETING

June 1, 6:00 pm.

(1.) Introductions – Dan welcomed and called the meeting to order at 6:00

- a) Administrative Team: Dan Kalynchuk (Principal), Barb Engel (Vice Principal)
- b) Sandy Hamm, Heidi Richardson represented parents.

(2.) Administrative Report (DK)

a) Overview of Programs/Initiatives (DK)

- i. Athletics – Nice to see the continued rollout of sports.
 - 1. Track – 8:30 bus will take to the divisional track
 - Training 3 times a week
 - 2. Flag Football – once a week
 - Our 3 high schools have reached out to the middle years to build interest.
 - Teachers and high school students come and model and mentor the football, with the goal of building the capacity of the football leagues.
- ii. Arts – June 10th is our Divisional Pow Wow and we will have students' work displayed
 - 1. Ms. Nowosad uses ASTONIA publications
 - 2. June Jamboree is June 9
- iii. WPS Presentations
 - 1. Social Media and Internet – Cst. Ainsley and Cst. Dave did a great job of presenting some positive protocols and understandings of how our cell phone impact our lives. Students had great questions. Each grade level received the same presentation.
 - Cst Dave has mentioned that the WPS are working on more parent presentations via zoom
 - 2. Gang Awareness – Cst DeGroot gave a presentation about what constitutes a gang and some of the laws around gang involvement. Cst DeGroot had an ex-gang member shared his stories. He shared the

negative aspects of his life that perpetuated a negative cycle that spiralled him into gang life. In the gang, how he found a sense of belonging and then he realized the consequences of the actions he was involved in with the gang. Then realizing what he would go through to get out of the gang.

- iv. Dan spoke of having these presentations again next year early in the Fall of 2022. These important messages need to be revisited to help
- v. Great Gators Celebration
 - 1. Awards-Criteria
 - 2. Academic Achievement/Citizenship-volunteerism
 - 3. June 15th 9:15 – first school-wide since March 2020
 - 4. Award winner invites
 - 5. Livestream – we see that as something that will benefit our community going forward.
- vi. Bursary Scholarship – due June 9th. Mr. Kalyn has communicated the criteria to parents through School Messenger. These bursaries are given to students that have invested and written an application.
 - 1. Visual Arts
 - 2. Athletics
 - 3. Band
 - 4. Choir
- vii. PE initiatives-Fitness Center – Dave Holland gave his expertise to help configured this for middle years.
 - 1. Now open to the student body
 - 2. Moved health room into the fitness center
 - 3. Very excited about the level of interest
 - 4. 24 stations – form and function over weight
- viii. Tornado Drills/Lockdowns – One a year of each based on policy.
- ix. MRLSC – this is continuing provincially next year, and the Golden Gate building will now host the staff of the MRLSC
- x. Grades 6-8 Year-End Activities – These are all set for this year. Grade 6, on June 17, are going to the Aviation Museum and the Zoo. Grade 7. Grade 8.
- xi. Band Concert – Thursday, June 9.
- xii. Transition Day-“A Day in the Life” – June 24th, after lunch. 1:30-2:30 with an option to dismiss from School at 3:00.
- xiii. Pride Parade – Sunday, June 5th. Starting at the Leg.
- xiv. Parking
 - 1. Safety over Convenience

- xv. Classroom Placements
 - 1. Letter
 - 2. School Messenger
- xvi. Opening Day Conferences – Sept 6 – Inservice and Sept 7 conferences

(3.) For information

- a) Term dates-formal Report Card Dates are: June 29

(4.) Discussion- Thank you to the parents for their time and continued support.

(5.) Questions and Parent Feedback

- a) Can I donate cookies for the year end field trip? Yes, and Thank you.

Meeting Adjourned – 6:45

(6.) Next Meeting Date: TBD