

Attendees: Michelle Simms, Kim McKenna Byers, Brigitte McGuey-Tuinder, Patty Lowe, Cindy Lowe, Pinee Sahee, Naveen, Mrs. Kopra, Mr. Copland, Mrs. Howard

Reviewed last years' actions from council: Pleasant Park Book fair, movie nights and recipe cook book

### Principal's message

- EQAO results- 18% of grade 3 and 12% of grade 6 achieved a level 3 or above. These results can be affected by the size of the cohort as well as the number of early-stage ESL students that are in a school.
- Focus for this year across the board is Math
  - Hawthorne will focus on diagnostics with extra focus on grade 3 and grade 6
  - Hawthorne has a math support coach that comes in once a week for 6 week cycles to work with teachers.
- Question: At what point does the staff identify if they are struggling?
  - Answer: The staff will make contact home with parents of students who are struggling in an effort to work with parents to best support students.
- PA Day October 11: teachers will be doing training for 2.5 hours with Commit for kids which focus on sexual abuse, and another 2.5 hours on math
- There will be training coming for all administrators around Culturally Responsive and Relevant Pedagogy from the Equity Coach, Jacqueline Lawrence.
- Hawthorne is part of a pilot project with the Ministry and represents our district in this capacity. The project is called Keeping Students in Schools (KSSP), and the goal is to examine disproportionality of suspensions and expulsions for Indigenous, Black, and other racialized students; to make sure that progressive discipline is well understood and that discipline is occurring in a non-biased manner that supports students in understanding how to change the behavior. The project engages 14 schools in 10 school boards across the province

### Teachers Update

#### Highlights from September

- Community walk, Terry Fox run raised \$2071.92, deaf and hard of hearing workshop and Orange Shirt Day

#### Upcoming for October

- Cross country, IEP October 15, intermediate field trip to macskimming, Oct 21 school photo day and October 28 progress reports go home

Teachers asked for money to support purchase of new French books in the school- motion approved by council to donate all money raised from Parents' Night Out this fall (with an expected amount of \$200) and an extra \$200 from Council funds to total \$400.00. Cheque will be written out to the school. If Parents' Night Out raises more than \$200 the rest gets donated to the French book needs of the school.

Also, teachers are requesting Scientists in the School presentations and gym equipment for the Primary and Junior students.

Movie night/ Parents' Night Out will be November 22,2019, featuring Toy Story 4. All proceeds going towards French books for the school.

Discussion for November meeting- hot dog or pizza day as a parent council initiative.

Patty, Cindy and Kim to exchange ideas for fundraising.

Brigitte to reach out to Pleasant Park for the book fair.