

Grand Bay Primary PSSC Meeting Tuesday, January 24, 2023

1. Call to order- 5:12 pm Attendees: Jeff Watson, Sara Parsons, Mrs. Boucher, Amanda Hamm (DEC Representative) Regrets: Andrea Hatt, Kendra Hobart, Mrs. Nickerson

2. Amanda provided update from the district level. - New school proposal is on the list at #9 and with new ranking system the list should not be altered as in earlier years. - Innovative language program to start in the Fall 2023. This will mean 50/50 split with English and French. Survey is online and all are encouraged to fill it out. In person session being held in Saint John current night, January 24th, however there is also virtual sessions available on January 31st and February 2nd. Registration for sessions is available through Eventbrite. - Policy reviews being completed. Committee meeting tonight, January 24th to review policies and any financial shortfalls, etc. - Forum input requested from the PSSC on the following:

- o Innovative Immersion Language
- o Education governance
- o Budget processes
- o Student mental health
- o High school renewal
- o Newcomers program

3. Home and School Update:

- o Committee looking for fundraising activities
- o Looking to do an activity at Inglewood with bonfire and a snow activity (activity to be determined weather depending).
- o Teacher appreciation week of February 13th .
- o St. Patrick's Day dance at RVMS being planned.

4. Principal's report:

- o In person parent-teacher was a success
- o Treat-tastic Thursdays were enjoyed by students.
- o Christmas concert was successful, and students did fantastic.
- o Santa visit with students was well received.

o 2 new staff members while 2 teachers are on leave for the remainder of the school year (Victoria Jones (resource) and Kelsey Davidson (Guidance)).

o Money raised: - Best seat in the house tickets- \$280 - Bazaar- \$165 (donated to Romero House) - Staff dress down- \$175 (donated to Romero House) - Pajama day for Hestia House- \$176

o Food bank donation was a big success.

o 2 new picnic tables were ordered for the playground (1 wheelchair accessible). Will be installed in the Spring
o Kindergarten numbers are up by 10 from last year (currently at 37).

o Grand Bay Primary will not be needing new French teachers if the innovative French program starts in September.

5. New Business- No new business to discuss.

6. Adjournment- 6:10 o Next meeting February 21st at 5:00 pm.

Signed: Sara Parsons

Date: January 24, 202