South Woodside School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes-Feb 16th,2022

**Call To Order-Welcome:**

Meeting was called to order by Divya Haase MacLeod at 6:06pm

**Attendance:**

Divya Haase MacLeod, Lisa Greenwood, Jane Webber, Wendi MacLeod-Place, Julie Snook, Holli Scott-Laverick, Tammy Cameron, Michelle Lewis, Renee Haines, laura McAvoy

**Regrets:**  Bernadette Cranford, Shawna Strowbridge, Madonna Prince.

**Approval of Minutes :**

Minutes from last meeting were approved.by Tammy Cameron

**Approval of Agenda:**

The agenda was approved.

**Principal’s report:**

**Last meeting we were informed that we may have to go back to co-horts.**

**We must revert to having co-horts due to the number of cases. We are no longer allowed to mix classes. Each class must be on their own and we are only allowed to have four classes outside at one time.**

**Our attendance must be submitted in two forms one goes to the NSTU and the other goes to HRCE. If the school population is more than 10% missing we must call Public health. The school celebrated Valentine’s day with some teachers doing a virtual Valentine’s Day. We as a school gave out treats to the students.**

**Feburary is registration month. Pre-primary can register at this time as well, but pre-primary can register throughout the year.**

**The School Success Plan has started fresh, we will be looking at three areas, which are math, literacy and well being.**

**The P-2 literacy initiative is continuing as we would like all the gr 2s at a certain level by the end of the school year.**

**This PD day we will look at the SSP and talk about this and look at how we can talk to others.**

**The guided reading lessons and books have arrived .**

**Our lunch time has been moved back by 1/2hr. Bell times have not changed. This was done in consultation with the teachers as we see the students have less disruptions to instructional time in the morning as we do in the afternoons.**

**The HRCE Behaviour team will be in the school to support classrooms teachers with proactive strategies that they can use or implement in their classroom to help with student success**

**There are three grants for the school. Each grant is $5000 +1$ for each student.**

**The grants are Healthy school grant, SAC grant, and Student support grant.**

**There was an email sent out to all asking for feedback as to what everyone thought we could spend the money on, but there was not much feed back,**

**The feed back that was given was broken down by each grant.**

**Healthy Grant: well being of the student**

**Ideas**

**Full day mental health event, outdoor play equipment, muddy buddies, outdoor snow pants, splash pants, having a chill zone, have an instructor come to the school and demonstrate some sports such as Floorball, Lacrosse, Dance. Also it was mentioned of having a punching bag, or a sensory path (put in the hallway).**

**SAC grant: to support literacy/math**

**Student support grant: doing a mindfulness program with music, stress balls, and zen zones, or adding to the zen zones we have now in the classrooms.**

**Purchasing some more PM books, for GR 3 for their classroom library. Books for P-6, having access to the online version of Alphabet blocks for the PR.**

**Lastly our school received a $1000 worth of books from Safeschools which are all about well being.**

**Next meeting March 30th @ 6pm**

**Adjourned @ 6:46pm**