TERRY FOX PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 5 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. via WebEx Virtual Meeting. **ATTENDANCE**:

PRESENT: Becky Worden, Doreen Parker, Jaclyn Agueci, Kara Trumbley-Novak, Lisa Mose, Rebecca Dowler, Rhonda Hobart, Crystal Boyd, Alison Finlay

REGRETS: Taryn Pfautsch, Renee Mintz, Veronica Parliament-Rayfield, Jody Reid-Warner

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Kara Trumbley-Novak presented and read the land acknowledgement to attendees.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (March 2022):

Minutes from March – not approved, available at a later date **PRINCIPAL/VICE PRINCIPAL REPORT:**

Ramadan (the holy month of fasting in the Muslim calendar)- separate spaces have been provided for students during nutrition breaks for students who are fasting

Students and staff recognized the Blue Jays home opener for a Spirit Day. Special thanks to Rhonda Hobart and Michelle Plank for helping to organize Peer Leaders during the month of mindfulness when yoga, just dance and other activities available to students. The grade eights participated in Dot and Dash coding activities, Mark Mitro provided greenhouse time and knowledge.

Academics—the focus has been on Primary Literacy- asking good questions to increase understanding. The Junior/Intermediate focus has been on math learning goals and assessments with Math Coach Ms. Timlin.

Stephanie Johns led innovative approaches to learning math and the grade seven book club.

TRESURER'S REPORT:

The current balance is \$4530.94. With \$260 raised for the school yard fund the total is \$4790.94 as the closing balance (does not include Purdy's orders). Purdy's provided \$464.71 allocated to athletic equipment.

PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Doreen reported there was a surprise donation of a portable shelter tent from S&L Electric, Lisa and Stephen Depinto, which will be used onsite as

well as at offsite sporting events and extracurricular activities. Much gratitude for this generous donation!

FUNDRAISING/SCHOOL SUPPORT UPDATE:

Some lengthy discussion around funding for Grade eight graduation; should this come out of the school budget? Should the school community council contribute? What is the precedent we want to set to ensure consistency in the future? No decisions have been made as of yet.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Supply teaching staffing requirements have increased. Qualified individuals are encouraged to apply with the board.

Ongoing covid symptom monitoring is being encouraged.

FUTURE MEETING DATES – Terry Fox Community Council plans to host meetings the first Tuesday of every month.

The next Terry Fox Community Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February May 3. Webex info will be provided prior to the meeting date. Meeting of Terry Fox Community Council adjourned at 7:08 p.m.