Tuesday, May 21, 2024 @ 7pm GSTS Learning Commons / Online Link School Council Meeting Minutes

Present - Sandre Bevan, Lisa Robertson, Jeff Plackner, Sophie Johnston, Lisa Johre, Robyn Kreutzer, Jeff Robinson, Tracy Chabot

GSTS School Council Minutes

Called to order 7:02pm

Approval of Agenda: Motion to Approve:Jeff Robinson, Seconded by: Sophie Johnston

Approval of minutes from previous meeting April 23, 2024): Motion to Approve: Jeff Robinson, Seconded by: Sophie Johnston

Reports

- 1. ASCA Report Lisa Johre
 - a. See link for topics discussed: https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/annual-conference/session
- 2. Student Growth & Achievement
 - a. Implement systemic job imbedded teacher time (at GSTS teachers are allocated 45 minutes every two weeks).
 - b. Implement Anti-Bullying program.
 - c. Grow community, industry and educational partnerships:
 - ie. We currently have a formal Partnership with Red Deer Polytechnic.
 - d. Continue to integrate Indigenous perspectives throughout the curriculum
- 3. Teaching and Leading
 - a. Identify, develop and implement high leverage strategies:
 - i. GSTS Teachers are being educated in Project Based Learning
 - b. Develop and implement a multi faceted professional development plan that allows teachers to choose and access learning opportunities.
- 4. Learning Supports
 - a. Engage in a comprehensive review of budgeting priorities.
 - i. 95% spent on staffing.
 - b. Implement a comprehensive training program for staff that integrates restorative principles into discipline procedures.
- 5. District Survey links have been sent out to parents by email, a link in the weekly newsletter, as well as through teachers classroom platforms.

GSTS-at-a-Glance

- 1. STEAM Week:
 - a. STEAM activities were incorporated all week long, and with that energy and spirits were high throughout the week! This was another great opportunity for our Vertical mentorship as well.
- 2. Lovely Ladies Celebration
 - a. K-3 students were able to invite a special lady from their life for a wonderful celebration, treats and songs.
- Grow Kids
 - a. The Grow Kids initiative is an opportunity for our Grade 5 students to have a day of fun that promotes healthy development and encompasses the ideas of responsibility, respect, connection, relationship, movement, creativity and positive well-being.

Upcoming Events

- 1. Grade 1-3 Folk Dance with Dawe students (May 29, 2024)
 - a. Builds relationships outside of our school.
- 2. Middle School Power Hour
 - a. Offers collaborative time for teachers to discuss/plan together
- 3. Gladiator Day (Thursday, May 30, 2024)
 - a. This will be the last one of this school year and focus will be on "R" for Respect.
- 4. Field Studies
 - a. Plenty of upcoming Fields Studies across all grades in the coming weeks!

Motion to adjourn - Lisa Johre, Seconded by: Robyn Kreutzer

Next meeting June 18 @ 6pm

Meeting Adjourned 7:55pm