

Georges P. Vanier/ Routhier School Joint Council Meeting

Georges P Vanier School

Tuesday December 5, 2023 @ 7PM

Attendance: Carolyn Giroux: VP GP Vanier, Monique Dubrule: Principal Routhier, Rae-Ann B: VP Routhier, Bill Sheets: Principal GP Vanier, Tara Lea, Stephanie Staudinger, Casey Dechief, Stephanie Cloutier, Jenny St. Jean, Chelsea Hausler, Jayme Cote, Murray Marran, Kyle Nichols, Pan Heckbert, Britny Emsley, Lindsay Stenback

1. Treaty Acknowledgement

We acknowledge Treaty 8 territory; the ancestral and traditional territory of the Cree, Dene, and the Métis. We acknowledge the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples whose footsteps have marked these lands for generations. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us. We recognize the land as an act of reconciliation and gratitude to those whose territory we reside on or are visiting.

2. Call to Order

Tara called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

3. Welcome & Introductions

4. Review / Additions / Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved by Casey.

5. Approval of Minutes (October 10, 2023, November 7, 2023)

Minutes approved from Oct 10th meeting by Casey with one change made.

Minutes approved from Nov 7th meeting by Stephanie C.

6. Financial Reports: Unchanged

a. Routhier: \$1845.47

b. Vanier: \$2282.40

7. Old Business: None

8. School Reports:

a. Routhier Report

- November 8th- GLP collaboration is well underway and students have the opportunity to participate in either Literacy or Technology enrichment during this time.
- November 7th- Our One Book One School Mr. Lemoncello's Library, our school wide read aloud, continues to be a huge success. Students are

eager for our reading days where they get to find out what Mr. Lemoncello has for surprises for our characters. They have developed some great relationships among the grades and the leadership skills of our older students can be seen when they are picking up and dropping off the younger students and then are so excited to see them on the playground at recesses.

- On November 8th Mr. Rob and Ms. Chelsea met to create a leadership project. The goal of the leadership project is to build leadership skills among the grade six students at ERS in addition to allowing there to be on-going opportunities for relationship building between the grade 6's and the GPV wellness coach. This opportunity for the grade six students also helps to prepare them for when they will be a part of the breakfast program at GPV in grade seven. It allows them to get comfortable in the kitchen, understand expectations, reading recipes, etc. The program Kicked off on Nov 23rd (prep work for snack and presentation) and 24th (presentation of snack to school). The goal is to have this project extend the entire school year with there being a larger showcase nearing the end of the year, which has not been finalized at this time.
- November 9th- Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10:40 am
- November 9th- The teachers will share their healthy favorite snack, why it's their favorite and a fun fact. This will be presented to the class in a fun game: "guess who the teacher is". The preparation of the snack will be done by Mr. Rob and selected students to use as a relationship building opportunity. Taste testing will be done on a bi-weekly basis. This gives the entire school students the opportunity to get to know teachers that they might see around the building or out at supervision.
- November 13th-17th- Metis Week - Classes participated in activities to learn about and celebrate the Metis culture.
 - Collaboration with [Connie Sabo](#)
- November 15th- CTM Meeting Division 1 Literacy
- November 15th - Gr. 6 Fundraising parent meeting at 7 pm at ERS for their trip to Edmonton in May
- November 17th- Report cards went home
- November 20th- CSTAG- Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines: Training Level 1 for the ERS VP at the LSC
- November 20th- FCSS Treasure Hunt. Students walked around town visiting business and participating in games or activities. Students were paired with their reading buddies.
- November 21st- Parent Teacher Interviews 5-7 pm
 - In person and by telephone or virtual for those who could not attend
 - Book fair was open
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- November 22nd- Admin PD morning- virtual
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- November 23rd- School Engagement Meeting @ ERS 7:00 pm
- November 20th-27th Scholastic Book Fair at the school open to students, parents and community members.
 - Our book fair promotes literacy
 - This year we have made more than we ever have in the past with proceeds at \$5200.00
- November 27th REFS Meeting 6:30 pm @ ERS
- November 28th- Charlene Born, our preservice teacher in the grade 3E classroom while studying states of matter in Science, had the students make butter as part of a science experiment.
- November 28th- CTM Division 2 Literacy Meeting
- November 29th- Admin Association Meeting morning- virtual
- November 29th- TiBert le Voyageur Présentation Mat-6F étudiants. Metis storyteller Rob Malo will perform juggling, jiggling and jokes for our students.
- November 29th - Photo retakes
- November 30th Wacky Hair Day Assembly
 - Presentation of our student of the Month
 - Grade 6 Hat Designs
 - Drama 4-6F Options class performed Louis La Grenouille
- December 4th- Lunch recess Intramurals are well under way at the school. Grades 4-6 students gather from Tuesdays to Thursdays. The following sports have been covered: soccer, volleyball, handball and ultimate frisbee.
- December 4th- Grade 1/2F is creating centerpieces for the Cafe Nord Quest Brunch Familiale on Sunday, December 10th at the Club Chevaliers in Falher.
- December 4th- Indigenous Education Collaboration meeting with ERS admin, [Jamie Chalifoux](#) and [Connie Sabo](#)
- December 5th- December Staff Meeting
- December 5th - 5E students visited the Villa
- December 5th & 6th Friendly Helpers Appreciation Breakfast
 - Grade 6 students from the English and French classes will be given a cereal breakfast in recognition and appreciation for their hard work as our lunch friendly helpers.
- December 8th- Earth Rangers Presentation @ 2:00 pm. ERS nominated by Cargill
 - Earth Rangers is a Canadian registered charity focused on environmental education and conservation for children and families. The goal of the organization is to educate children and their families about environmental issues, and mobilize them to take actions that protect animals and the environment.
- December 12th- ERS Report to the Board 1:00 pm

- December 12th- Goota Desmarais Presentation- Grade 2 and 5 students in the French and English classes will be learning about the traditional foods of the Inuit by food sampling. Goota will be bringing in food samples for students to try.
- December 14th- Maternelle class will be visiting the post office for a tour and to mail their letters to Santa.
- December 15th- Classroom Christmas Door Decorating Activity
 - Classes choose a theme and design a door decoration
 - Collaboration between the members of the class
 - Follow the specific parameters for the designs
- December 19th French Christmas Concert at 7:00 pm
- December 20th- English Christmas Concert at 7:00 pm
- December 22nd- Activity morning, pajama day and school wide afternoon movie for ERS students.

b. GPV Report

Nov

Nov 1-SH Vball Divisionals in HP (boys/girls earned silver)
 Nov 2-Grad meeting at 7pm, Northwest Polytechnic presentation
 Nov 7-Photo Retakes, No Stone Left Alone with grade 9's
 Nov 8-Quebec fundraising meeting, Skills Canada Presentation-grade 9's/10's
 Nov 9-Remembrance Day Ceremony, Report Cards Released
 Nov 14/15-DELF Exams-B1 (12 kids wrote)
 Nov 16-Principals in HP, PTI's 4:30-7:30 in the Big Gym
 Nov 17-Flipped Day
 Nov 19-Quebec students and parents made 190 batches of sucre a la creme
 Nov 20-Poinsettia's Deadline
 Nov 22nd-Admin Meeting virtual
 Nov 23 (ERS)7pm -25(GPV)1pm -Community Engagement
 Nov 29-Admin Meeting-virtual
 Nov 30-Workwild presentation grade 10's
 Rock your moc competition throughout the week-last week of Nov
 Baby Think it over will begin this month with Mentorship and then move into the CALM classes in Jan.

Extra Curricular Activities:

JH Volleyball wrapped up with Zones in Peace River
 SH Volleyball wrapped with Zones in Fairview for the girls, taking 4th place and Peace River for the boys also taking 4th.
 Basketball practices have commenced.
 JH girls/boys-practice on Mon/Wed
 SH boys-practice on Tues/Thurs
 Intramurals in both gyms during lunch

Announcements:

-Looking for some volunteers to help with our Nutrition Program 1/month-baking in the Foods Lab
 -GPV Students are challenged to a food drive for the next 10 days in hopes of bringing in donations for our local FCSS/Food Bank.

- New Parent Portal for Marks-please check your email from Oct 6, email came from Kyle Nichols and Edsembli
- Athletics Tab available on GPV Website-draws and tournaments are listed there
- Week of Dec 18-22-we will need volunteers to help with the prep work for the school wide Turkey Dinner. We have a sign up sheet for anyone available to cover a shift/shifts
- Once per week for Semester 1-Vanier students are heading to Routhier for Mentorship.
- New Absence call out schedule-calls will go out every junior high period and every senior high block.
- GPV is now the home of the Divisional Inclusion Library
- Teachers and EA's participated in a divisional Advisory Committee

Office of the Career Coach/Dual Credit

- Senior High in class presentations:
 - [Work Wild](#)
 - [Skills Alberta](#)
 - Northwestern Polytechnic
 - Junior High (grade 9) in class presentations
 - [Skills Alberta](#)
 - Transition to High School
 - Grade 11 student success meetings
 - Continued support for Grade 12 students (post secondary applications, career preparation, etc)
 - Collaborative planning with admin for second semester experiential learning opportunities for students
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- 10 students registered in courses for 1st semester, 8 students interested in Dual Credit courses for second semester

Post secondary institution and course students in second semester are applying for:

Northern Lakes College	- Addictions Counseling Courses
NAIT	- Medical Terminology - Anatomy and Physiology
Olds	- Electronics and Control Systems in Precision Agriculture - Training for Performance
Northwestern Polytechnic	- Learning and Development in Childhood
Athabasca University	- Introduction to Statistics

Office of the Wellness Coach

- 1:1 meetings with students across all grades continued throughout November
- Assisting in the Breakfast program some mornings with prep and serving

-We hosted Carmen Siu, our Breakfast Club of Canada representative on November 20th for a site visit. She participated in serving morning snack and meeting with the wellness coach and EA Melissa who runs the program. Her feedback was:

“ I had a great time getting to know you both in person and learn more about the breakfast program. The way you think about logistics and scheduling at the school is amazing because you really have created an amazing program where there can be help available to make the food and create buzz for the program with the students.”

-Working with Grade 6 students at ERS as part of the leadership project that started on November 23rd in collaboration with ERS Coach Rob. One of our mentorship students is also assisting in this leadership project that will allow him the opportunity to see the project through until the end of the school year.

-GSA meeting twice per month

-Working on staff wellness initiative for December

Upcoming in December

Dec 1-PD Day

Dec 5-Skills Exploration 9F, kicked off our reverse advent calendar

Dec 12-Report to the Board at 10am

Dec 14-Band concert 7pm

Dec 14-5-PACE presentations, potential parent presentation TBD

Dec 20-Grade 9's going to Edmonton for "A Christmas Carol"

Dec 22-Activity Day for JH and Turkey Dinner, PJ Day

Dec 23-Jan 7-Christmas Break

c. Trustee Report: None today

9. New Business

a. AERR Results & Discussion -GPV

Annual Education Results Report. Results are posted.

Assurance Domains:

1. Student Growth and Achievement
2. Teaching and Leading
3. Learning Supports
4. Governance

Grade 7&10 students and parents. Low group of parents responded. About 15/70 parents responded.

Many responses are potentially under-represented due to low response.

From view of summary graft, it is visible that GPV is largely in line with the HPSD and the province.

The important message is for the school staff to take this report and use it for planning.

b. AERR Results & Discussion -Routhier

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Grade 4-6 parents and teachers. 11/65 parents responded.
Would like to work on increasing parental involvement.
Both schools are seeking any feedback you would like to provide.

c. School / School Council Mental Health Workshop Planning

Ideas:

- Regional learning consortium -they can bring in presentations.
- Mental health capacity building group with AHS
- Juno House in Calgary
- Institute of child psychology
- Music therapy
- Speakers Bureau -Western Canada
- Reid Morrison -brings in speakers, Incredible Journeys.

Date: April 11th or 16th ?depending on booking speaker. Plan for evening event.

Location: Routhier

10. Next Meeting/Adjournment at 8:32pm, next meeting January 9, 2024 ERS.