



# Whistle Bend School Board Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2023

<b>Attendees:</b> Brian Laird, Patricia (Tia) Campbell, Cassandra Malach, Andrea Oldridge, Rebecca Hutchings-Archibald.	
<b>Guests:</b> Elaine Taylor, Jerry Zahora	
<b>Missing:</b>	
<b>Meeting Date:</b> March 6, 2023	<b>Meeting Start Time:</b> 6:10pm
<b>Meeting Location:</b> 3 Eldorado Drive	
<b>Zoom info:</b> Meeting ID: 878 5859 2943 Passcode: 415047	
<b><u>Agenda Items:</u></b>	
<p><b>1. Land acknowledgement, welcome and check-in</b> We the Whistle Bend Elementary School Council would like to acknowledge that we live and work on the traditional territory of the Kwanlin Dūn First Nation and the Ta'an Kwāch'ān Council.</p>	
<p><b>2. Approval of February 13 Minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Motion to approve: Tia</b></li> <li>• <b>Seconded: Rebecca</b></li> </ul>	
<p><b>3. Approval of Agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Motion to approve: Cassandra</b></li> <li>• <b>Seconded: Andrea</b></li> </ul>	
<p><b>4. General Board Update &amp; Communication - Chair</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian sent email to a company Blue Imp who installs playground equipment, in regards to grip for children with mitts. They would like to talk to us</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5. School naming status</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter to the Minister. Written and read by Brian Laird. Letter to be proofread and emailed to the minister before</li> <li>• Elaine Taylor shared that she spoke with Sandra Henderson regarding the School naming. Elaine stated we should be looking to the department for support. The question of why the council was created if no input or contact was ready for this. No funding provided for community engagement; timeframe is insufficient to have meaningful engagement. DOE and Department of Highways and public works(construction).</li> </ul> <p><b>Brian motion to approve as is drafted letter to the minister.</b> <b>All opposed except Brian</b></p>	
<p><b>6. Treasurers update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank account is set up as business account.</li> <li>• Andrea sent follow-up email to RBC. No response</li> <li>• Jerry Zahora reiterated that we need a contract in place so that we are "official" and that we have funding. Recommended that we go above Lori Choquette to garner a response</li> </ul>	
<p><b>7. Playground Equipment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary</li> <li>• Intermediate</li> </ul> <p><b>*Jerry Zahora stated that there is additional government funding available for playground development. Capital funding proposal sent to superintendent.</b></p>	



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**Elaine- there is a set budget for playground equipment (there is an audit provided to the department on playground equipment-budget built on that audit)**

**8. Website status update**

Rebecca sent follow-up (2<sup>nd</sup>) email to Lori Choquette March 3,2023 to enquire on status of domain direction

**9. Every Student, everyday grant**

- Deadline March 10
- Jasmine -contact via phone for assistance to write the application for student attendance.
- Topic-Brand new school council -engaged community= engaged students
- Pancake breakfast, school supplies drive, school contents(special chairs, rolling carts, lego bionics program, art)

**Action Items:**

**5.** Tia to draft letter to council for the minister regarding naming. Additional letter to include concerns about funding and playground. Letter be sent to Elaine Taylor (AYSCBC) to back council. Letter to include information about lack of contract as well as the playground.

**8.** Rebecca to contact lori via phone to get update on domain/website direction

**9.** Rebecca to complete application for every child everyday funding-Deadline March 10,2023

**Next Meeting: April 17, 6:00 pm 2023**

**Meeting End Time: 7:33pm**