

Stonybrook Middle School Parent Advisory Council
Monday, September 21 2020

Room 6

Attendees: Karla Lysak, Joshelyn Doerksen, Kristel Penner, Tess Doerksen, Rita Rebizant, Terra-lee Wilson, Brenda Wolf, Crystal Friesen, Steph Reimer, Brett Siemens, Travis Garrow, Holly Reimer

Regrets:

Principals report:

- Orange shirt day - Sep 30th
 - Pow wow Wednesday to honor orange shirt day
 - Drum band
 - Will be held outside in the playground (7J/7H/7D will be outside)

- Terry Fox run - Oct 1st
 - Each class can run their own run as it works for them between Wed- Fri

- Level Orange (IF)
 - 2m distance in classroom (masks are unsure)
 - Classes divided further to resulting in additional homerooms
 - Additional staff would be needed - specialist teachers (Gym, French, Music) into homeroom (specialties things would be shelved)
 - May need to hire a staff to cover preps
 - Create additional cohorts (figure out entrance and exits)
 - LOTS of things to plan in case - equipment needs etc.
 - Would have talks with kids about the changes and the splitting even further
 - Bright spot - the learning could be really great
 - Keep it a mixed group, and try and keep friends together
 - Unused spaces set up ahead of time in case things change over night
 - Everything is directed by public health
 - Plan to be able to provide all the needed info for the additional staff
 - Supports stay in place

- Grade groups given time reviewing strong connection data, identify gaps, patterns, needs the essential things needed to pull kids to grade level, level orange remote learning plans. To have a comprehensive plan to move things on a dime

- Masks
 - Masks have gone really well :)
 - Some exemptions granted some denied. News was well received by parents
 - Province came out with parameters for exemptions
 - Divisions can now ask the why

Financial report: n/a

Parent Questions

- Masks in gym class indoors

- Required to wear in the gym for grades 4-12 when 2m distancing can't be maintained
 - The school has to follow the public health orders
- Talking during lunch in the classroom
 - Its allowed
- Chemical
 - Fogging once a week
 - Same chemicals that have been used for a long time
 - Principal has the MSDS sheet for those who want to see it
- Winter
 - Winter clothing - figure out some kind of compromise for clothing - laundry baskets are a possibility
- Staggered release time
 - Working amazing
 - A few kinks being worked out with buses and cars
 - Academics - everything is done by 3:15 so the homeroom teachers are with their kids - review, community building, relationship building, finish up work assigned, focused numeracy and literacy time
- No fundraising, no canteen this year
- Instagram meet the PAC, picture posted on Instagram introducing members of the PAC so parents can put faces to our PAC

Next meeting - Oct 26th 6 pm