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SCC Minutes- May 4, 2022

Attendees (as names appear on Google Meet): Tracey Running, Christine Upton, Mark Lynch, Janet Miller, Liz Wrigley, Rhonda Smith, Erin Hord, Angie Spencer. Mrs. Wellwood

Meeting called to order

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement Indigenous Rights and Human Rights

1. Year End
 - Parent Engagement events in May – tomorrow night Dr. John Duffy series (May 5) Parenting the New Teen on the Age of Anxiety.
 - May 17, 6pm-8pm Durham Partners – “Building Positive Relationships” for students and families – free pizza will be delivered to your home if registered by May 10.
2. Student Council Report (Erin Hord)
 - Next year student council information session May 5. (Applications due May 9-23). This will provide students information about the different roles- voting on May 30
 - Spirit Wear will arrive near the end of school – students can go to the guidance google classroom to review what’s available.
 - Grad slideshow – looking for students to provide info and photos etc which will be made into a slideshow and shown on the TV’s during the last weeks of school.
 - There are going to be spirit weeks in May
 - Compost bins fundraising - \$2 freezies. The bins may be built by the butterfly gardens and the money from the fundraisers will go towards materials.
 - Diversity week – there are different activities planned each day during the week
 - Legacy week MSA & Student Council – last or 2nd last week of school
 - June Talent showcase
3. Guidance
 - Summer school is open in My blueprint website
 - Last week O’Neill hosted the Grade 8 Open house with tours and Q&A session. It was very well attended.

- Commencement preparations are underway for Thursday June 30 for an in-person ceremony.
- Leadership camp will be a full day camp on May 19 for grade 9 & 10 students. Permission slips can be picked up at lunch time from Guidance. It will be from 8:30am to 9:00pm at Camp Samac.

4. Teachers Report – Mrs. Upton

- English Teachers are working on a Professional Development (PD) Session – self directed reading
- MB Coaches – Indigenous artist's workshop. Using different text to choose from for student workshop. The students were engaged and enjoyed reading text of their own choices,

Mrs. Wellwood – Literacy

- Practice test today May 4 for Gr 10 EQAO. No marks, just practice getting to know what to expect/ become familiar with how the test will be administered.
- The EQAO test will be May 17, 18 period 1 for all Gr. 10 and any Gr 11 students who didn't do well or missed the test previously. Results will be available at the end of June. Retakes will be in the fall, or the students can take the course if room exists (pending to see if there will be 2 sessions) This can be taken at summer school as well.

Teachers Report -Mr. Lynch

- Grade 9 math EQAO will take place the week of June 20. June 13 will be a practice test. Contact Mr. Lynch for more information
- Positive school climate 30x30 lunch time activities = 30 min of activity every day for the month of May. Some activities planned are yoga, juggling, frisbee golf which is all part of Mental Health Week.

5. Principal's Report (Tracey Running)

- There are all different clubs going on currently within the school
- O'Neill hour – lunch time anyone can get up on stage and perform/ sign etc.
- There are lots of sports going on in the mornings and at lunch time
- The art room is open at lunch
- The robotic room is open at lunch
- There are no final exams – all marks are based on term work.

- Grade 12 finish school June 21, with June 22 and 23 as credit completion days for them and the last day for Grads 9-11 is June 24 with the following Mon and Tues as credit completion days.
- Victoria Day Monday May 23
- Yearbooks on sale until May 16
- A memo to parents will be going home next week reminding students of proper behaviour on Community Property,
- Lots of parents are parking in private driveways and the Apartment buildings.
- Parents are to avoid the east side of Mary St.
- Parents can drive through the parking lot once the first 8 busses have gone through. Bylaw will be coming by and ticketing people on Mary St.
- Park down the street and follow the pick-up times on the posted signs

Grad Gala

- Grad Gala is Tuesday June 28. 5pm-9pm
- Grad 12 Gala – Theme is Red Carpet to be held at Jubilee Pavilion in Oshawa. \$65/ticket (guidance google classroom) Tues and Thurs students can pay by cash or cheque in the foyer of the school.
- Application forms on Grade 12 Guidance google classroom or Graduation Google Classroom
- MADD – Mothers Against Drunk Driving assembly June 8 is mandatory for all Grad 12 students to attend the Gala.
- Commencement will be June 30 at 11am at the Tribute Centre. The venue was chosen to allow for more family members to attend and the jumbotron will be showing photos of the graduates. Invitations will be sent out.
- Grads must have completed 20 hours of volunteer time to graduate (reduced from 40 due to Covid restrictions). They need to have all their hours completed to attend the Gala.
- There is a Graduation google classroom page to complete the Commencement Registration Form.
- Scholarships Awards Resume must be completed by May 13. These will be used by the awards committee to determine the recipients of the various awards presented at Commencement.
- Over the summer there will always be someone in the office during school business hours Mon- Thursday.
- 2022-2023 bell times have changed to 8am-2:00pm Tues Sept 6 is the first day of school. Currently Administration is waiting to hear if there will be a grade 9 day.
- The Friday before Christmas (Winter Break) and before March break are school holidays once again.

- Next meeting will be held in Sept/Oct 2022 – meeting adjourned 7:57pm