

SCC Minutes- Oct. 6/21

Attendees (as names appear on Google Meet): Tracey Running, Cheryl Wellwood, Christine Upton, Mark Lynch, Saadia Hussain, Lisa Aunger, Janet Miller, Kim Bathija, Laura Sirmis, Liz Wrigley, Rhonda Smith, Erin Hord, Sean Brighton, Kayleigh Van Mil, Jennifer Kauffeldt, Ammar Dilshad, Stephen and Karen Fisher

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Focus: Elections and School Start-Up

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Introductions of the Administrative Team

- Mrs Running (Principal)
- Mr Lynch (VP)
- Mrs Wellwood (VP)

3. Opening Remarks

4. SCC Nominations and Voting

- Liz Wrigley & Angie Koras are the only nominees brought forward... both looking to co-chair again
- Liz introduced herself and Angie to the group
- both accepted position as co-chair

Chairperson / Co Chair Role

- call school community council meetings
- prepare the agenda
- chair SCC meetings
- communicate with the school principal
- ensure that there are regular communication with the school communicate
- can use the SCC email to communicate

Treasurer

- handles the \$500 in the acct
- discuss with the SCC members use of the monies
- Rhonda Smith has accepted the position

Secretary

- ensure that minutes of the SCC meetings are maintained
- provide minutes to Chair / Co-Chair
- Janet Miller has accepted the position

5. Student Council Report (Erin Hord)

- will be electing Grade 9 representatives
- applications opened on Oct 11

- due dates for teacher references will be extended to accommodate teacher schedules
- Council reps will be introducing themselves to school communities via video
- will be hosting a spirit week for October 25th
- also hoping to hold an October Spirit Week Scavenger Hunt- Oct 25-29
- graduation and prom are both planned for June 2022
- updates will be sent to students via the Gr 12 Google Classroom

6. Guidance Dept Report (Lisa Auger)

- Grade 9- Ms Kenny
- Grade 10- Ms Hadjigeorgiou
- Grade 11- Ms Auger
- Grade 12- Ms Muir / Mr Maki

Guidance counsellors are available to support students with

- course selection and pathways
- post-secondary pathway planning
- learning skills and strategies to improve academic success
- support student well-being

My Blueprint- used for researching career opportunities and pathway planning

- all students username and passwords are the same as they use to access all school accounts
- parents and guardians can also set up accounts that are linked to their child's portfolio.

Guidance Booking System

- fully online to book appointments- can use the link on the website and the guidance google classroom
- able to choose counsellor and select time

Post-Secondary Parent / Guardian Information Night- Thursday October 28th, 6:30pm

- link to virtual presentation will be posted on the school website prior to the event and an opportunity to sign up to have the link emailed directly will also be shared
- will be joined by representatives from Trent Durham, Ontario Tech, Durham College

7. Special Education Department (Ms Hussain)

- Dept Head- Saadia Hussain
- SERT- Ms Watson
- SSP Teacher- Ms Watson

-academic resource is open all day to **any student** needing assistance

- AR has been at capacity almost daily
- goal is to provide the structures and support each student needs to foster their growth and help them achieve their full potential

Some general supports provided:

- alternative space for test writing
- zen den for de-stressing
- assistance with organization and time management

- regularly scheduled check ins
- 1:1 help as accessed by students

Contact info- saadia.hussain@ddsbc.ca

OSSLT- identified Grade 11s will be called to AR to determine the accommodations they will require for the assessment

8. Principal's Report (Tracey Running)

- Website and Social Media*
 - check out for the latest updates
- Grade 9/10 orientations*
 - leadership students guided tours and met with the students
- Terry Fox Activities*
 - Wed Sept 29
 - walked and completed activities in Alexandra Park
 - following Covid protocols
 - raised \$1890
 - special thank you to our community sponsors
- National Truth and Reconciliation Day- Sept 30*
 - wore orange to honour survivors
 - reflected on challenges faces the Indigenous Community and the Residential School System
- School Pictures*
 - tentatively scheduled for Nov 1st
- Lunch*
 - students going home / outside is preferred
 - designated eating areas include library AR, Auditorium, Cafeteria, Activity Room
 - many clubs and activities have begun during the lunch hour- announcements and locations are shared daily on the announcements
- Chromebook Refresh and Distribution*
 - for Grade 9 and 10 students, remainder of the Grade 11 students
 - happening on Oct 19, 2021
- Students and printers*
 - students are currently not able to print using their logins
 - issue has been addressed at the board level
 - signs will be up in the library
- OSSLT (Literacy)*
 - current students that are graduating this year are not writing (they have been exempted for graduation)
 - fall session for current Grade 11s
 - will be looking at the week of Nov 22/21
 - test may be run over two days
- EQAO Numeracy*
 - none in Q1 (no current Grade 9 classes running)
 - will begin in Quad 2 (typically happens at the end of the quadmester)

-Grade 12 reminder

- Grad 2021 will be running Oct 7/8- hybrid virtual / drive through
- Grad 2022 tentatively planned for Thursday June 30th at the Tribute Center (11am)
- Prom is tentatively planned to be hosted at the Oshawa Jubilee Pavilion (Tuesday June 28)

-Introduction of Hearing Resource Team (Daniel McPherson Styles)

- will be supporting our school and students this year
- has a fully trained and licensed service dog, Titus
- planning an orientation session for all students to explain the role of the Guide Dog

-Community Neighbours

- incidents happening at lunch on some of our neighbours land- Parkwood Estates, Apartment Complexes
- please remind students to be respectful of neighbour's property
- remind students there will be restrictions to use of community property (e.g. Parkwood) if the behaviour continues
- suggestion from Liz Wrigley to have this blasted out to our school community via social media
- will also be sent to students and families via school messenger

-Park Lot / Mary St

- reminders to avoid the parking lot during pick up and drop off
- avoid the east side of Mary St as bylaw has let us know they will be coming to issue tickets
- lots of busses and very little space

-Health and Safety Protocols

- follow all of Durham Region Health protocols
- all students are required to undergo a daily self-screening
- students must not come to school if they are ill
- we are not asking vaccination status of students
- if you are unsure if your child should attend, the screener will tell you
- if student is sick at school, is placed in isolation / health room and will need to be picked up
- students are required to wear non-medical masks or cloth masks indoors in school, including hallways and during classes
- mask must be worn to cover the mouth and nose
- hand hygiene is available in all classrooms
- touch points are sanitized multiple times per day
- daily records of attendance of all persons within the school building is kept up to date and available to Durham Region Health Dept
- doors are currently closed to students until 9:45am... students are to enter the building and go directly to their classes... class begins at 10am
- students arriving after 10am should report to their classroom directly
- reminder that students should be remaining on the floor where their classes are to use the washrooms

9. Upcoming Dates

Events	Dates
Half Credit Courses (careers / civics) completed	October 8, 2021 (Term 1)
Half Credit Courses (careers / civics) begin	October 12, 2021 (term 2)
Mid-term marks available on parent portal	October 18, 2021
2020-2021 OCVI Commencement	Oct 7/8
Thanksgiving- Holiday Monday	October 11, 2021
Virtual Post-Secondary Night	Oct 28, 2021
End of Quadmester 1	November 11, 2021
PD Day	November 12, 2021
Credit Completion Day	November 15, 2021
Quadmester 2 Begins	November 16, 2021
Quadmester 1 Final Report	November 25, 2021

No Formal Parent / Teacher Interviews

As always, it is important to reach out to teacher if there are any questions or concerns

Questions

-Sports

-shared that we are updating health protocols

-information will be sent out as it's received

Next Meeting- Wednesday November 3rd, 2021- 7pm (Virtual)

Future meetings:

February 2, 2022

March 2, 2022

May 4, 2022

Meeting Adjourned- 7:59pm (Motion- Stephen and Karen Fisher)