

## O'Neill CVI SCC Minutes- Nov 25/20

**Attendees:** Tracey Running, Cheryl Wellwood, Christine Upton, Jon Lepage, Liz Wrigley, Steven Cho, Brenda Ginter, Teagan Handley (DPHN), Rachel Likely, Janet Miller, Angie Spencer, Peter Ingram, Erin Robinson, Lisa Bowman, Jananathan Maheswarajah, Cheryl McKenzie, Ryzer Man, Rhonda Smith

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

### **Focus: Covid 19 & Student Safety**

#### **1. Land Acknowledgement**

#### **2. SCC Business- Co-Chairs**

- Motion to approve October minutes- Liz Wrigley, Seconded- Angie Spencer
- would like to use the \$500 to Bill's Place and Pepler's Pantry
- Bill's Place and Pepler's Pantry are available to students that require food, hygiene or clothing needs
- motion passed
- other fundraising ideas include: FlipGive (gift card purchase)
- shared information regarding other committees- Regional School Community Council, Parent Involvement Committee, Parents as Partners Conference

#### **3. Covid 19 & Student Safety- Teagan Handley- RN, BScN, PHN Durham Region Health Department**

- shared information regarding positive health cases- DRHD is informed of all positive cases
  - contact management takes place, and all impacted parties are identified
  - department looks at 48hrs prior to first onset of symptoms and works forward
- high risk- if you are a high risk contact, DPH will inform you of this
  - when there is a positive case in the classroom, if a student is in the classroom they are deemed high risk
  - this means you must self-isolate for 14 days from when you are told that you are a high risk contact
  - if you are a high risk contact, this is limited to just YOU... not other people in your household or those you've come in contact with
  - unless you are a high risk contact or test positive you do not need to isolate
  - even if you test NEGATIVE with the virus, if you are a high risk contact you need to isolate for the whole term
- low risk- oftentimes teachers are considered low risk
  - they are wearing medical grade masks, and are better able to physically distance from their students
  - in-depth investigation still continues
- if you are feeling like you have the virus but test negative, you can return to school / work when you are symptom free

#### 4. Principal's Report

- Volunteer of Distinction Award 2019/2020- Tracy Church
  - she has been contributing to the O'Neill PA program for 4 years
  - she attended our monthly OMPAPA (O'Neill Music and Performing Arts Parents' Association) regularly.
  - helped with organizing events, event set up, creating raffle baskets and organizing auction items and was always generous with her time.
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies-November 11 and 12, 2020.
  - Combination of announcements, poems, student pictures and student music for the Last Post, Revielle and our Chamber Choir made a beautiful rendition and video of the song Remember.
- Junior Awards - November 18th and 19th, 2020.
  - Virtual Ceremony was uploaded to all Guidance Google classrooms for viewing on November 20th, 2020.
  - Handed out to all receiving students with a program.
- Leadership Class - Quadmester 2
  - class is currently looking at the following initiatives:
    - Modified Terry Fox run
    - Toy Drive for Queen Elizabeth PS
    - Grade 9 mentoring during online weeks
- Quadmester Changes
  - Quadmester 2 - November 17th, 2020
  - Credit Completion Days have been added to every quadmester
- Quadmester 1 Final Report Card - November 26th, 2020 after 3pm.
  - these will be emailed to guardians, you will need OEN number to access
- EQAO and OSSLT Update
  - EQAO
  - Grade 9 EQAO did NOT run in Quad 1 as the timeline was too short, but we are looking to run it for Quad 2, 3 and 4
- OSSLT
  - The ministry has recently announced that the literacy graduation requirement will be waived for all students graduating during the 2020-21 school year.
  - There will be a pilot test this Spring for students who are not graduating this year.
  - We do not have a scheduled date at present. We will share more information once we receive it.
- Subject Specific Virtual Learning Hubs
  - we are now running subject specific virtual learning hubs this quadmester for English, Science and Math
  - students are asked to check in with your Block 4 (Period 3) teacher first and have attendance taken as attendance is NOT taken in the hub
  - this is not in place of the Block 4 support- this is still available
- Community Hours-Revised
  - the ministry has revised their community hour requirement for students graduating 2020-2021
  - the new requirement is to complete 20 hours

- students are now permitted to count up to a maximum of 10 hours of paid employment towards their graduation requirement.
- any student over the age of 14 may submit these hours along with a written reflection exercise about how their work has contributed to the service of others.
- students can find revised sheets on the Guidance Classroom or webpage
- schools are also able to grant some hours for work done in your own home (walking younger sibling to school, helping siblings with school work, etc)
- talk to your Guidance Counsellor first to find out whether an activity will be considered as eligible.

## **5. Guidance Report**

- shared grade based Guidance Counsellor information
- guidance counsellors hold individual appointments for post-secondary planning, high school course planning, connecting with mental health resources
- they also host workshops during Block 4 for time management , test preparation, career planning and research and referencing skills

## **6. Be The Voice**

- virtual forum lead by the leadership class
- students will explore topics related to safety, learning supports, representation and connection to O'Neill
- will be occurring Dec 2/3 10-12:30 during student's flex time

## **7. Teacher Report (Ms Upton)**

- looking at re-imagining the classroom in response to the pandemic
- Nov 5th- English Department Meeting
- reflected best practices and looked at digital and critical literacy skills, conferences, discussion forums, and data
- Nov 13th PD Day for Teachers
- identified barriers and ways to make changes to assessment and programming in Quad 2

## **8. Student Community Council (Steven Cho)**

- Spirit Days- our spirit days are today and tomorrow- Funky Pattern Day!
- O'Neill Redhawk Room
  - The O'Neill Redhawk Room is a website created by Student Council where student can find some resources that include exercises, guided meditation, music and many more mental health benefiting videos
  - the website has been published and can be seen on the O'Neill Website under the Students tab.
- Student Council Grade 9 Rep
  - the Student Council created a video to motivate the Grade 9's to apply for the Grade 9 Rep position... there are already 21 applicants
- Food Drive

- O'Neill is collecting monetary donations for a Food Drive to support Simcoe Hall Settlement House
- Simcoe Hall is a food bank that supports the community all around O'Neill
- Students of O'Neill are asked to donate, what they can, through School Cash online, either \$1, \$2, \$5, or \$10
- Student Council is collecting money until Fri Dec 11th

**9. Upcoming Dates**

<b>Events</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Quad 1 Final Report Card	November 26, 2020
Be the Voice Online/Virtual Forum	December 2 - 3, 2020
Holiday Break	December 21, 2020 to January 1, 2021
Midterm Quadmester 2 T1	January 6, 2021
End of Quadmester 2 and Completion Day	February 1, 2021
Quadmester 3 Begins	February 2, 2021
Quad 2 Final Report Card	February 12, 2021

**10. Next SCC Meeting- January 27th, 2021 (7pm)**

Motion to Adjourn- Liz Wrigley, seconded by Angie @ 8:01pm