



Ancaster High School Council

Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday Nov. 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Location: Library/Learning Commons

- 1. Welcome** to Ancaster High School Council- Land Acknowledgement
Present: Rhu Sheppard, Lisa Collins, Barb Love, Rosemary McCutcheon, Jason Alae, Liam Outlaw, Del Taylor, Randy Gallant
Regrets from: Sarah Wallace and Lisa Mancini
Approval of October minutes – Rhu and Lisa Collins

2. Reports

1. Student Council Presidents- Liam Outlaw and Shane Jeffrey

a.) Student Voice recently ran Day in The Life on Nov. 14 which was super successful

-Day in the life is basically a high school introductory day for grade 8s

-The event went really well... group leaders were very welcoming and did an excellent job of easing students into Highschool

b.) This Wednesday (Nov. 21) we will have our club fair for future students and parents

-All the different clubs have made awesome posters promoting their clubs that were used during day in the life, and will be used again for the club fair

c.) Semi Formal is right around the corner!

-It will be held at Carmen's

-The event sold out in three days tickets being \$50

-grad chairs are now just gathering teacher chaperons

d.) Deca had an awesome Halloween bake sale

-They were able to raise a good amount of money

e.) Make a wish also had a bake sale on Nov. 7th

-They made around \$150 at lunch

-Me to We will also be doing a We Are Silent campaign next week where students pledge to stay silent for an entire school day -> It's a way to raise awareness for children whose voices aren't hear (donations will also be accepted).

-That will be next Monday

b.) On Nov. 10th we had our Remembrance Day assembly which went great

-Lots of student volunteers participated and MAA had a great performance

-Ms. Wylie really put her heart into the assembly and overall it was very well done and I really enjoyed being a part of it

d) Now we have Christmas approaching

-We are still looking discussing a date for the winter assembly

-Student council are planning to do some sort of skit or song in the winter assembly

-Me to we will provide hot chocolate on Nov. 31st

e.) Deca participants have written their exams and have been informed whether or not they will move forward and compete

-On Nov. 24st Deca participants will either have their regional competition or workshop

f.) Health Action Team

-Will continue their Free breakfasts every Friday

-They've been having different themed breakfasts which is really cool to see

g.) HOPE

-will also be doing a toy drive on Nov 26-Dec 13

-candy grams are also going to be sold the first week of December

h.) GAA have started spirit wear sales last week and they are off to a great start

-Spirit wear can be purchased through school cash online

-flyers are available in the Caf at lunch until the 27th

2. IB presentation- Mr. Taylor (IB coordinator)- see attached Powerpoint

3. Staff Representative- V. Fletcher

All of the departments created 30 minute lessons

Welcome assembly

Pre-selected courses

Lunch

Purpose to assuage

Do a mini lesson

Wizard of Oz – Run by Ms Mattka

First year running a teacher-direct musical programme

Teacher-directed show within a course

Dec 12, 13, 14th

Tickets will be available through schoolcash online

Ms Daly Head of Languages – staff advisor for HOPE

Raised \$500 dollars – over 300lbs of food through the Halloween hunger drive

Donations cash or toys to ACS

Members' Day Assembly – Ms Wylie

Staff and students who had family members connected to were invited to share

Very emotional and moving - people felt really connected to the assembly

CLEA – Head - Justin Hendricks

Continuous Learning and Improvement for Applied Pathway students

Marker students – students who are in need

How to improve our Applied

Ms Baker and Venetia Fletcher are going to run a Homework Club for ELL students or at risk students - twice a week during Semester 2 – days to be confirmed soon

Students who are at risk or have been referred by the English teachers

Drop in or as often as they would like

Numeracy and Literacy

Peer tutoring and staff

Some structured lessons

Time Management, mental health strategies

School Climate Survey – Venetia Fletcher

School specific data - a Survey asking students questions regarding safety, bullying, is there a caring adult, etc. – how are students feeling/connected to their highschool

Results will be reviewed by admin and student success – look at results to see what they can do to try and improve positive school culture

Sports:

Senior Boys Volleyball

Jr Boys Volleyball

Spirit Weat – Ms Adams – it will not be available before the holiday – so will not be available for Xmas gifts

Ms Baker is running the swim team this year

Hamilton Youth Poets – awesome way for students to challenge, provoke

Ms Crow oversees the Slam poetry group and has invited the Hamilton Youth Poets

4. Principal- R. Gallant

Royal Dusters – for Movember - raising money for

Volleyball champions – very exciting

Grade 8 Open House is this Wed Nov 21 - 6-8pm – go to the auditorium for a bit and then to the gym – all the departments are around the perimeter

Mid Semester report cards come home this week

Admin goes through the comments on the report cards and they are very thorough – what the students have done well and what they can work on

Serious enough to communicate to parents but no one was in danger –

5. Vice-Principals-M. Currie and S. Ferney

3. Open Issues

1. Facility/Health and Safety- Renovations update

Roof is done! No more leaks in the East Wing

Every classroom and lockers are going to be painted in the East end

Over the holiday break

New bleachers coming – electric – all purple – in Gym AB

New field

All windows will be replaced starting in Semester 2

Ancaster High School will be retrofitted to make it “accessible” – for example new elevators

2. School Annual Plan- Two strategies directions: Student learning and

Achievement and Positive Culture and Well Being

Positive Culture and Well Being – Transgender Day – started in 2017 – Nov 20 – to recognize and remember

Equity and Inclusion -

Every school in their November meeting will go through training – read through a script and have group discussions with case studies

Randy has gone through Gender Identity training and spoke about it at the first staff meeting

Now it is a system perspective – a lot of learning

4. New Business/Correspondence/Announcements

1. Other business

No new business

Meeting adjourned 7:48pm

5. Next School Council Meetings

Monday Jan. 14, Feb. 11, April 15, May 13

6. Adjournment

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board acknowledges our presence on ancestral Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Confederacy land as determined by the Dish with One Spoon treaty.

The Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt represents the treaty relationship between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and Anishinaabe with respect to sharing the land and resources thereon.

We respect the longstanding relationships with the local Indigenous communities, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River.