

**DVSS
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
TUES, OCT. 20/15 6:30PM
MINUTES**

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

PRESENT: K. Borer, E. Delsordo, S. Holford, L. Howie, R. Jerome, S. Kennedy, D. Lammers, M. McDonald, J. Naruse, M. Orlik, S. VanEgdom, D. Zontanos; J. Kleven; D. Popovich

REGRETS: L. Bastedo, S. Goodacre, C. Evans, S. Moreton, K. Spencer, C. Pillinini

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPT. 15 MEETING:

Approved by MARY ORLIK

Seconded by SUE VANEGDOM

3 DVSS VISION STATEMENT UPDATE- MR. BROCHU:

Presentation; new vision

Reflect on last years' work- plan next steps

Mid/long term goal-provide inspiration and guidance-staff, student, parent voice

Connect feedback to teaching-human rights- diversity, equity

Currently at data analysis stage

Final stage- sub-committee of all stakeholders – parents will be asked to participate – if interested, contact Mr. Brochu

School council spent some time answering five questions, to get the ball rolling, will be posted at open house to encourage others to participate

4 TEACHER'S REPORT- Mr. D. Popovich:

Challenges a part of moving schools. Kids appeared to do well with the move/change.

Teams/clubs are up and running. Events are happening. Trips are happening.

5 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- MR. DELSORDO:

Custodians have work sanctions in place at this time- weekly meetings with office staff.

Construction update- 90%+ done. Discrepancy walk through stage now. No gym access yet (new gymnasium), not finished. Fall sports up and running- golf team did well. Science labs done but not inspected yet. Floor tiles missing. Looking at how to get the labs done for higher grades (11 – 12).

Drama Production - looking for a venue.

Photo retake day- Oct 28th

Awards assembly Nov. 4th- same day as take your kid to work day for grade 9 students.

A. **PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS:** Progress reports have come home. Oct. 29th interviews are booked online. If teachers are booked up, phone the teacher to arrange an appt at another time.

B. **DVSS OPEN HOUSE-CANCELLED:** It is a formal event, board officials, a celebration. With work sanctions of office staff, caretakers - would be a difficult undertaking. Parents can still walk around, but not an official opening with ribbon cutting. Food trucks -synervice to be sent.

Once a month food trucks at the school-during school time as fundraiser for different school groups. The trucks that give back to the school are used. Em will suggest to student council that these dates are planned in advance, so we can let the community know to come and use the trucks.

C. **SCHOOL COUNCIL AND HWDSB COMMUNICATION ON YAMMER:**

HWDSB website has yammer- we can publish what our school council is doing, see what other councils are doing.

6 **REVIEW OF SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS-** JENNIFER KLEVEN

Jennifer- co-chair for the year. Looking for someone to assist her. **Dolores Lammers** has agreed to co-chair with Jennifer 😊

7 **OTHER BUSINESS:**

PRO grant- IDEA: How to create a new school vision/ new culture/ new beginnings/ as a community how to support kids. Potentially a keynote speaker for the open house (date TBD). Appeal to students/teachers and especially parents. \$1000 maximum to spend (\$960 – speaker; \$40 refreshments).

If you know of any good speakers that can speak to this topic, please let Jennifer or Dolores know ASAP.

8 **NEXT MEETING:** TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015 @6:30 – DVSS LOCATION- TBD

Meeting adjourned at 7: 52 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by D. Zontanos