



Sherwood Secondary School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday March 6, 2013

Co-Chair B. Della Maestra called the March meeting of 2013 to order at 6:30 p.m. Co-Chair welcomed everyone in attendance and introductions took place. Superintendent Figueiredo was scheduled to attend our meeting as well but wasn't able to make it due to a death in the family. Sherwood Council sends their condolences to him and his family on the passing of his wife's Aunt.

In Attendance

Vice Principal B. Monkley, Student Council Rep T. Patel, Co-Chair B. Della Maestra, Secretary C. Anderson, W. Burley, N. Lewis, D. Della Maestra, W. Goodfellow, L. Hicks, K. Kennedy-Brown, S. Lambier, M. Taylor, D. Coles

Regrets from Principal R. Gallant, Vice Principal E. Wilkie, Teacher Rep C. Kaus, Chair A. Koklis, Student Council President F. Susic and Student Council VP W. Redgate.

Approval of Minutes

The February Minutes were approved with no additions or deletions reported. Approved minutes will be forwarded to Superintendent Figueiredo and Trustee Peddle.

Reports

1. Principal's Report—B. Monkley

A couple weeks back Sherwood had our option seminar, the number of students registered is important for our planning for next year. At this time we have over 270 Grade 9's from our feeder schools, and more to come with Barton closures. Protocol is in place so students stay in our school board. Sherwood will be taking on more students.

Preliminary report cards went home with students on the 5th of March.

Parents Night will be held on Thursday March 8th 6:00-8:00 pm.

We are at our 5 week countdown mark for the Literacy OSSLT, which will be held on April 11th. The schedule for Grade 10 students and students repeating the test will be 8:30 -11:20, two 75 minute blocks of writing in the mornings. Grade 9's must attend school this day (a practice test for gr 9), Grades 11 and 12's will commence their classes at 12:20.

Grade 12 Prom will be held on Thursday May 16th from 5:00 to 11:00pm at Marquis Gardens in Ancaster. We will have 8 to 10 parent chaperones and 2 uniform police officers as well as Randy, Evelyn and Brent. A new contract for Principal Randy to sign, and teachers are stepping back at this time. Parent Volunteers do not need a police check to chaperone at the prom because we will have 3 admin staff. We thank the parents who have stepped forward to assist with this evening.

There is an attempt to get the extra curricular sports back up running. Phys Ed Heads have met twice.

MADD assembly was very powerful. At the Board meeting on Monday March 25, 2013 Sherwood's Band Program and Mr. Ryan Baker will be recognized by being awarded "The Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal".

Extra-curricular information is available and updated on the Board website, money was returned to students for all winter sports that they missed.

2. Vice-Principals' Report—B Monkley

In preparing for the Literacy Test, Sherwood is holding an after school literacy program. We currently have 2 classes with 45 students and 2 dynamic teachers. The program will run until April 9th on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 2:45 to 3:45 pm. Newsletters have been sent home for Grade 10 students and students who need to repeat the test with their preliminary reports. Practice booklets will be sent home after March Break and two assemblies will take place after March Break to assist our students. The Literacy Test will be held on Thursday April 15, 2013 from 8:30 to 11:20am. Classes will begin at 12:20 for 30 minute periods.

On May 3rd Sherwood will be having an assembly for Anti-Bully and our special guest will be the Mixed Theatre Company.

3. Staff Report—N/A

4. Student Council Report— T. Patel

As Student Council we are not supposed to be running as a school organization without teacher supervision, so there will be no student council for the remainder of the year. "We as students are showing the teachers how much we appreciate and support them."

Open Issues

1. Plant and Safety—B. Monkley

Sherwood recently had an inspection and good news: we went from 4 pages of building concerns down to only 2 pages. We currently have tape on the tiles on the 3rd floor to keep asbestos out of the air. The Board has a plan, the staff and parents will be advised accordingly. One of our main issues is dealing with the school renovations.

New Business/Correspondence/Announcements

1. New Business:—B. Della Maestra

Rosedale Community Baseball is searching for Student Volunteers to help with their youth program (May to August). For further information contact paulineeperry@gmail.com

2. Correspondence—N/A

3. Announcements—B. Della Maestra

Kindly drop off your gently used books until May 15th, 2013 to help support the H.W.D.S.B. Children's Youth Book Drive.

Open house volunteers for the School Council table. Thanks to those of you who have stepped forward to volunteer.

Next School Council Meeting: Wednesday April 3, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the school Library.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:02 p.m.
