## **School Council Minutes**



April 29, 2024

Attendance - in person Mr. Monteith (principal), Ms. Davey (VP) Roxane Dunmore, Estrella Szakacs, Catherine Kronas, Joanne Thompson, Dileepa Wijesundera, Leah Rudolph, Colleen Kaus, Jen Haverty, Ms. Davy

Attendance – virtual Natalia Bourenane, Trisha, Sachi

Catherine provided the council with an update regarding the request of the PRO Grant guest speaker. The Principal noted for council that the board has guidelines which must be followed when selecting and inviting guests to present. The guidelines include that presentations are aligned with the board's policies and strategic direction and that communication back and forth with the selected guest speaker have not yet determined the presentation's content. It was suggested that Mr. Monteith and Catherine find time to meet with the guest speaker to obtain additional clarification and information related to the presentation.

Dileepa brought up the issue of parking lot safety. The roadway between the main doors (east entrance) and the west entrance is one way (west direction) and inquired if arrows should be painted on the ground. Mr. Monteith asked for input on eliminating the round about drop off and noted he would be addressing this problem with the school community immediately.

## Principal Report

- 1. Student/Teacher basketball game a great success.
- 2. DECA team 13 students sent to California to compete
- 3. Boys and Girls soccer doing well.
- 4. Jr. Football is up and running.
- 5. Badminton just inished.
- 6. Arts drama festival AHS won awards
- 7. SHSM competition one AHS student is at the provincial level
- 8. OFSAA day AHS celebrated the 65th anniversary of OFSAA with events held in the ield.
- 9. May 10 TedX student led event from 5pm-7pm. 4 different speakers
- 10. Mental Health/Spirit Week petting zoo on May 8 (funded by student fundraising)
- 11. April 8 was a PD Day staff learned about neurodiverse brains and how to plan for them.
- 12. Mid-term report cards when home April 26. Discussion with council on how parent-teacher interviews could be run differently.
- 13. Stafing and timetables are being worked on. Projected enrollment for 2024-25 is 1165.
- 14. ASH will have a self contained autism class for 2024-2025. We will have more Ea's for this class.
- 15. Cafeteria is scheduled to open September 2024. 2 washrooms were opened in March. No doors on the new washrooms due to ire regulations. Changerooms will open next week.

Next council meeting is Monday, June 3. Colleen requested website be updated with meeting dates, minutes, agendas.