

DVSS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 25, 2016 @ 6:30pm

Location: Library

Present: D. Lammers, S. Holford, S. Kennedy, L. Howie, K. Borer, S. VanEgdom, C. Pillinini, G. Cipriani, E. Delsordo

Regrets: R. Jerome, C. Evans, D. Zantanos; J. Kleven; N. Watt

1. April Minutes corrected by S. Holford and approved by S. Holford and S. Kennedy
2. Teacher's report: No report
3. Principal's report – *Em Delsordo*
 - Open House- Tuesday, May 17 was a HUGE success. Approx. 250 people in attendance. Kudos to the Visioning team for all their hard work and planning as well as the Band, kids who volunteered for the event. A special thanks to all parents who helped as well: N. Watt, S. Kennedy, K. Borer; J. Kleven
 - Moving forward the goal is to get teachers to understand and develop ways to implement the Vision into their daily teaching. The hope/expectation is that this will begin to take shape for Sept.
 - With the help of Social media, our schools Vision, has reached far and wide and a Teacher in Italy has reached out to E. Delsordo to partner with us with the hopes of creating some sort of exchange. Many other positive connections being made. C. Pillinini comments that it has been important to screen the associations on social media, as many are eager to come along side us but may not have the same agenda as we do as a school community.
 - Staffing is complete. Staffed for 912 students. Lost 6 staff due to declining enrolment.
 - 210-235 Graduating this June. –
 - DVSS Rowing Team placed 1st and will move on to compete at Championships June 3
 - Ministry was in to film DVSS 21st Century Learning Practices. Video will be used for teaching and learning purposes provincially.
 - Our Superintendent, Dr. M. Gardner is retiring.
 - Exam schedule distributed and explained by C. Pillinini and G. Cipriani. Grade 12's will be on a revised schedule in order to have marks submitted prior to Grad. Admin and Staff working together to accommodate this. Will be posted to the DVSS website.

- C. Pillinini said PROM was great with no incidents. Kids had a great time. The Grad committee for next year attended as well and will not rebook at RBG. Tickets were expensive and value not there.

- C. Pillinini and J. Lawson have been working on 2016/17 timetables and conflicts will be announced next week so resolutions can be made prior to summer break

4. S. Kennedy comments on the Open house and is very proud of Staff and Students. The event was well done and Em's speech was beautiful and appreciated!

-K. Borer took care of arranging food trucks for Open House and had negative feedback from one vender regarding low sales. K. Borer's efforts are much appreciated.

-S. Kennedy spoke to the Front garden project. Grant money is often available through the Trillium fund, T.D. Friends of the Environment and others. Human rights garden ideas coming together and participation from representatives from Indigenous Residential Schools will occur. Garden may have features such as plaques, sculptures, picnic tables etc. Hopes also for a community garden with veggies. Project in process

5. Next meeting Tuesday June 14th @ 6:30 pm in the Library.

6. Adjourned @ 7:14pm

Submitted by S. VanEgdom