

Dundas Valley Secondary Parent Council Minutes
Tuesday October 18, 2022 - 6:30pm
Hybrid Meeting

Present Online: Nancy Nemeth (DVSS), Dara Coulter, Andrew Coulter, Cathy Veldman, Erin De Souza-Bruce, Tammy Lombardo, Susan Moelker, Amanda Ljucovic, Natalie Drake, Pieter Toth, Rebecca Hoo.

Present In Person: Zoey Heeney, Renu Kohli, Jenn Warren, Jennie Feijer, Nicole Gregan

Regrets: Leah Abbey

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Meeting called to order at 6:31 PM
- Land Acknowledgement read by Zoey Heeney

2. Approval of Minutes and Agenda –

- Motion to approve by Cathy Veldman, seconded Dara Coulter

3. President's Report – Andrew Coulter

- Halloween Haunt planned for Oct 28, potentially open to the public – TBD
- Halloween activities planned Oct 31 for student engagement
- Oct 26th – Student Vice President Elections
- Thank you to the MHAT for positive magnet messages on the lockers

4. Teacher's Report - Jenn Warren, Peiter Toth & Natalie Drake

- MHAT – distributed positive messages via magnets on all lockers at DVSS
- Grade 9 VIVE welcome evening event is being planned for Oct 26th organized by Ms. Langois
- Mr Toth and Ms Drake reported to the group on the Global Connect course. Currently run by both teachers, however, Ms Drake will take over fully next year. This is a student driven, teacher mentor/facilitated course

5. Principal's Report - Renu Kohli

- Sports teams are incredibly active at DVSS
- Specialized classes participating in Best Buddies basketball
- Homework Club sign up information sent out this week. The group will start meeting once 12-15 students sign up
- Communication Standards Introduced by HWDSB this week
- HWDSB not participating in Take Your Child To Work Day
- Nov 2 – Grade 9 Day – Pathways – Details TBD
- Teacher Family Night – Nov 2nd from 5-7pm (voluntary for teachers)
- Investigating an Open House Option
- Preliminary reports issued on Oct 21st

7. Other Business – Zoey Heeney

- Parent Engagement ideas welcome for discussion. Woodland Cultural Centre could be an option for engagement ideas, it would be a different topic than previous years
- Parent Council representation will be in attendance at the Teacher Family Night

Next meeting Nov 15, 2022 at 6:30pm

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:28 pm