

Dundas Valley Secondary School Council Minutes
Tuesday September 26, 2023 - 6:45pm
Hybrid Meeting

Present Online: Jenn Warren, Tammy Lombardo, Rebecca Hoo, Nancy Nemeth, Cathy Veldman

Present In Person: Bryan Lennox, Zoey Heeney, Nicole Gregan, Karen Brown, Jennie Feijer

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Meeting called to order at 6:45 pm
- Land Acknowledgement by Zoey Heeney

2. Approval of Minutes and Agenda - Motion to approve:

- Zoey Heeney, seconded by Nicole Gregan

3. Council Elections

- Zoey Heeney – Chair
- Nicole Gregan – Secretary Duties
- Voting Members – Karen Brown, Nicole Gregan, Jennie Feijer, Cathy Veldman, Zoey Heeney

4. Teacher's Report - Jenn Warren

- Shared assembly slideshow that was presented to students during the second week of school – Guidance Information
- There will be a CHISM assembly in October

5. Principal's Report – Bryan Lennox

- Staff changes were noted
- Windows were replaced in the circle
- New machinery in the Manufacturing Room
- Outside painting and signage project
- The cafeteria opening is delayed – est. for Oct 2nd
- The Learning Commons will be open for 4 periods per day

6. Review 2023/2024 Council Meeting Dates and Type

- Meeting dates for Parent Council for the 2023/24 school year:
 - o Oct 24
 - o Nov 21
 - o Jan 16
 - o Feb 27
 - o Apr 16
 - o May 21
- Proposed by Zoey Heeney, Motion to approve by Nicole Gregan, Seconded by Jennie Feijer
- DVSS to continue with Hybrid Meetings

- Everyone is welcome to attend the Parent Council Meetings
- Oct 11th there is a Board Meeting for Parent Councils

7. Sub-Committees

- Bylaw Review
- ProGrant
 - Grant for Parent Council to promote parent engagement
 - Typically, it has been used to have a speaker come in
 - The cost of the Speakers is an issue
 - a combined event with other schools could be an option due to costs

8. Other Business

- Quick Introductions
- How to Increase Attendance at the Parent Council Meeting
 - o Social Media Postings
 - o Meet the Teacher Night Parent Engagement
 - o Mini topics presentations to get more parents attending the meetings
 - o Grade 8 Open House Parent Engagement

Next meeting October 24th, 2023, at 6:30pm

Adjourned @ 7:50 pm