

# MINUTES

## Norwood Park School Council

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*Date | time* Nov 30, 2021 | 6:15 pm *Meeting called to order by* Shannon-Leigh Chandler

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### In Attendance

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Rhonda Moules (Principal)

Shannon-Leigh Chandler (School Council Chair)

Stevie Kenyon (Treasurer, [steviekenyon@gmail.com](mailto:steviekenyon@gmail.com))

Angela Larson (Secretary, [angelaklarson@me.com](mailto:angelaklarson@me.com))

Ashlea Gilhooy (Home and School Liaison, [ashleagilhooy@yahoo.com](mailto:ashleagilhooy@yahoo.com))

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Carolyn Reid ([carolyn.reid@outlook.com](mailto:carolyn.reid@outlook.com))

Carrie Boshman

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Kim Baker-Everts ([ms.k.baker@gmail.com](mailto:ms.k.baker@gmail.com))

Amber Yorke ([amber.yorke@gmail.com](mailto:amber.yorke@gmail.com))

Roberto Marquez (Student)

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### Approval of Minutes

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Approval of October minutes.

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### Opening

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Mme. Moules shared **indigenous land acknowledgement** and welcomed everyone to meeting. Powerpoint being shared.

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### Principal's Update

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**Temporary Vice Principal** John Whitwell was acting VP Nov 8-26 and we welcome Karen Armstrong to be acting VP until Jennifer Miskas return in January.

**Field upgrade** start is delayed until end of November; locates are taking longer than expected. DPA has been moved to the tarmac and 14 squares have been painted to align cohorts. Still waiting on locates. Fencing goes up tomorrow.

**By Law update** By Law has been visiting Terrace ave and traffic has improved. Still need to be mindful of our neighbours and make sure not to park in staff parking lot.

**Washroom Tour** Powerpoint tour of washrooms at the school.

**Bike Racks** are in and have been paid for by facilities.

**Extracurricular activities** continue ...

Volleyball is ongoing. Basketball starting in January (new uniforms are in the process of being ordered).

Clubs: Eco, Coding and Drama clubs for grade 7&8 ongoing. NEW students have asked for a Two Spirit & LGBTQI+ club. We have a teacher volunteer and board supports Positive Space.

**Upcoming days:** Grade 8 Leaders and School Staff are holding the annual Food and Mitten/Hat donation. That will take place between December 1 – 10 for the Hamilton Food Share.

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## Budget

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No budget change from previous meeting.

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## Committee Reports

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Chair (Shannon-Leigh)

- **Virtual bookfair** is closed.
- **Norwood Park Spirit Wear** is also closed and was well received. Updates will be provided and they promised orders will be in before winter break.

**Home and School Liaison** (Ashlea)

- Concern about food drive happening at Norwood the same time the Home & School is doing it.
- Active and Sustainable School Association is doing a Walk a Block campaign. Asking parents to park away from schools and volunteers will help to guide students to the property. Norwood is interested in this.

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## Questions and Comments

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Note: There were quite a few questions that were asked that needed to be answered personally with Mme. Moules. So, they will be left out of the meeting minutes.

Request to be notified of spirit days beforehand.

Mme Moules: Added a note about making sure that spirit days are inclusive and using inclusive language. To reduce buying and waste. Example: Comfy Sweater Day instead of Ugly Sweater Day.

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## Next Meeting

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January 18, 6:15 pm (virtual meeting to be sent by Mme. Moules)