



Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board

MINUTES
Saltfleet School Council Meeting
Tuesday February 15, 2022
 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Co-Chair: Ann Sisak
 Co – Chair: Christy Wallingham
 Minutes: Kara McCaughen

Present: Paul Fox, Glenn Cooke, Andrea Moore, Billy Dhillon, Trish Gibson, Sue Zdero, Diana Rodgers, Deema Abdel Hafeez

Item No.	Time	Agenda Item	Person	Summary	Action/Motions
1.1	7:00	Welcome and Introductions	All		Update
1.2	7:00 – 7:05	Approval of Agenda	Christy & Ann		Approved
1.3	7:05 – 7:05	Approval of Previous Minutes	Christy & Ann		Already Approved
2.0		Correspondence			
2.1	7:10 – 7:15	HWDSB Website Facebook – Saltfleet School Council Twitter – SDHS School Council @ SDHS_SC	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please subscribe to HWDSB & Saltfleet District High School to receive updates • Subscribe to our Facebook and Twitter accounts 	Update
3.0		Standing Items			
3.1	7:15 – 7:35	Principal's Report	Glenn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 71 full time teachers – as of Friday Saltfleet can add 1 teacher librarian – previously teacher supervisors were used • Current enrolment is at 1300 – but amount will decrease after kids are removed from semester 1 as soon as report cards come out – there should be about 1280 in second semester – Amount in school may be 1220 to 1240 due 40 to 60 students in eLearning, • Staff have been meeting with grade 8's virtually – expecting 400 grade 9s to come 	Update

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				<p>next year –Some students from Shannen Koostachin Elementary school may have to switch to the Catholic board because it's closer – buses come when you live 3.2 or more km from school – Many students at Shannen Koostachin live 3.1 kms away</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Province is moving towards loosening restrictions– all extracurricular sports including those considered close contact are starting up again i.e.) basketball and hockey • Questions around graduation due to loosening restrictions – Saltfleet needs direction around parameters and dates – Saltfleet would also prefer to have a commencement versus a graduation – this would mean that anyone eligible to graduate would be part of the celebration regardless if they meet the criteria to graduate – this ensures no one is shamed by excluding them and they can celebrate with their cohort – they can choose to participate – Saltfleet is hoping this is the direction the board will go • Cafeteria – no date for when food services will return but it is being considered since restaurants are opening up • It is believed that mask mandates might continue until the end of the year • School COVID Advisory Team (SCAT)– Team (teaching and non -teaching) – review board policies related to COVID • Grad photos and retake photos - just got approval – they should take place in a space in the library – dates will be forthcoming • Band and choir will resume as of today 	
3.2	7:35 – 7:45	Student Parliament Report	Deema	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Spirit Day – there was a “Find the Elf” game each day around the school. • Student Parliament has a newsletter called “Storm Buzz” — first issue came out this month – next issue is in March – student parliament blog – students can access this 	Update

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				<p>through saltfleetstuparl.common.hwdsb.on.ca</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Awareness week – many activities – recognize achievements - Equity and Inclusion Committee is working hard • Valentine's Day – There was a spirit day – sold flower grams and made \$ 200 - card exchange also • Parliament is attending a Student Council conference on how student voice works at the board level • Committee based activities are being focussed on • No spirit weeks coming up at this time. 	
4.0 New Business					
4.1	7:45 – 7:55	Parent Engagement Funds \$ 500	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 500 – to spend by end of April • Virtual Ideas from School Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A virtual family event (for example: to support math or literacy, family nutrition, physical activity or mental health) - Virtual Open House to showcase student talent, art, and accomplishments - To cover fees/honorariums for speaker - To support communication and language needs. • Have had some great ideas from School Council Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guest speaker <u>or</u> - School Council Stylus - for iPads for Saltfleet students. – this was the most popular idea, however, may be well over \$ 500 and the board is heading towards issuing laptops to students – being rolled out over a 5-year period. • Will discuss in the spring – Perhaps COVID restrictions will loosen up more allowing us to hold an outdoor in-person event – perhaps engaging new parents 	Discussion/ Review in the Spring

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				<p>of grade 8 students who are planning on attending Saltfleet.</p>	
4.2	7:55 – 8:00	Next meeting.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to a School Council member having a conflict in their schedule, School Council has agreed to switch April and May's meeting dates from the third Tuesday to the second Tuesday of each month. New meeting dates are Tuesday April 12th and Tuesday May 10th - 	Discussion/HWDSB website updated
<p>5.0 Next Meeting: Tues April 12th</p>					