



# Sherwood

## Secondary School

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### **School Council Minutes**

**Date: Tuesday February 18, 2020**

**Location: Sherwood School Library/Learning Commons**

**Time: 6:30pm**

**Present: Corinne Carlin, Sofia Fox, Kelly George-Dagleish, Sandi Horton, Sylvia Jarrett, Mike Martin, Janeen Schaeffer, Tracey Siddons, Deb Simon, Sarah Simon, Lisa Urban, Ramona VanderGiessen, Michelle Visca, Fariha Woolvett**

**Minutes recorded by Fariha Woolvett**

1. Welcome and Approval of Minutes,
2. Introductions
3. Student Report by Sarah Simon:
  - Semi-formal this Thursday February 20, 2020. The theme is Roaring Twenties.
  - Dodgeball tournament for charity will take place again this year.
  - Student Council will participate in a leadership retreat.
  - There will be a pep rally at the end of the year in conjunction with a spirit week.
4. Teacher Report given by Kelly George-Dagleish:
  - Students are in the process of making course selections for next year.
  - Awards assembly will be on March 11 just for students.
  - Sherwood Has Talent will take place on the Friday before March break.
  - Hockey, volleyball are taking place.
  - MADD assembly is scheduled for February 19.
5. Health report given by Corinne Carlin:
  - The role of the nurse is influenced by the Student Health Atlas. We are in ward 6. The HWDSB goal is to have students feel safe and supported in school. Most highschools have a PHN. Most of the downtown schools have higher needs and a school nurse. The Health Action Team has done some activities on vaping as this is an issue within the school. On the following website, parents can access information about ward 6's statistics on various health issues. Hamilton Child and Youth Health Atlas. [www.hamilton.ca/ChildHealthAtlas](http://www.hamilton.ca/ChildHealthAtlas) The statistics are from 2015-2016. 2019 statistics are being compiled and released soon. The PHN is available to give support for students on mental and physical health issues, and to conduct classes and activities to support students. School Council will look into having parent and student information sessions to help students prepare mentally for post secondary education. Students who experience different health issues are encouraged to find connections to help cope with their mental health. Food programs are available to help students who are in need. School staff are definitely aware of students in need within the school.

6. Principal report given by Michelle Visca:
  - Safe Schools Panels are happening within the Board. This is to keep schools safer and focus on anti-bullying. There is a Facebook page called Safe Schools Review Panel which includes information. Pink t-shirt day is February 26, 2020. There is also the WE HELP app that students can use to anonymously report bullying.
  - At Sherwood, there is a bystander problem. The message given by staff is to stop bullying and report it.
  - Bell times: The Board is looking at bell times for schools.

***Next meeting will take place April 21 at 6:30 pm, at Sherwood in the Learning Commons.***