

School Council Meeting Minutes. Wed. Sept. 22, 2022

Attendees: Xeniya Kondakova, Georgiy Kondakov, Telex Ngathed, Krishna Patel, Husain Aseeri, Dalal Behbehani, Andrea Hitchcock, Julie Hope-Krajnak, Nermeen Malik, Makarim Siralkhatim, Jenny Seto-Vanderlip, Stefan Strecker, Ashley Buligan

(absent Jason Little, Krishna Patel, John Paul Dicecca)

Welcome and Introductions

Overview of School Council, roles, expectations.

The purpose of the school council under the Education Act Regulation 612, is “through active participation of parents, to improve pupil achievement and to enhance the accountability of the education system to parents.”

School Councils provide input to the principal or the board on any matter. The Principal is ultimately responsible for activities related to the school and therefore is responsible for school council activities.

School council is governed through bylaws created by the council, which are aligned with Ministry Regulation 612.

Election results

Co-chairs – Amy Telford, Nermeen Malik (acclaimed)

Secretary- Jason Little (acclaimed)

Treasurer- Andrea Hitchcock (acclaimed)

Chair Report- No report

Principal’s Report (Jenny Seto-Vanderlip, Stefan Strecker)

- Covid 19- Screener to be completed each morning prior to attending school, if a student/staff is not feeling well, to stay home until they no longer have symptoms. If a student/staff tests positive with Covid follow Public Health guidelines, stay home until symptoms are gone, wear a mask to school for 10-14 days
- Re-Organization – almost 700 students, class sizes must meet Ministry cap sizes.
- Information will be shared with the community as we receive it and by Sept. 28th
- On Sept. 30, any students changing classes will receive a letter to take home

- Extracurriculars are resuming- Teacher's report for update
- Volunteers- Must complete volunteer package and submit a vulnerable sector screening (within 3 years)
- Bussing has been on time- good news
- Safety Concerns- parking lot closed to parents except Today's Family, parents to park if they must, on side streets, be careful of students walking home
- Requested a crossing guard for this round about, waiting to hear from the city,
- Families can support by all the By-Law 905 540 6000 City 905 546 2424 and also requesting for parking/crossing guard support
- Fundraising – open for both school and council Pizza has been run by the council in the past, Pizza Nova has been interested in supplying the pizza to the school – for first full meeting Oct, fundraising and decisions, lunch option and decisions, spending ideas

Teachers Report (Ashley Buligan)

- Cross Country starting up
- Volleyball starting up and teams will be selected in the next week
- Gr 7&8 Vaccinations, Sept. 23
- Grad Wear orders due next Tuesday Sept. 27
- Orange Shirt Day Sept 30, encourage all staff and students to wear orange
- Terry Fox Run Oct 14- donations online, more information to be posted on the website and teacher's newsletters/blogs
- ESL staff applied for \$500 grant for Gr 6-8 multicultural books
- Pizza Days/ Sub Days- will work with SC on fundraising events, must identify where the funds raised will be spent prior to holding a fundraiser. This report is sent to the Ministry.

Meeting dates:

2022: Oct. 5, Nov 9, Dec 7

2023: Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 8, Apr 5, May 10