

Student Advisory Council
Meeting minutes – November 28th, 2023

Attendance:

Craig Poirier, Parent
Meggie Spicer, Teacher
Jen Fougere
Lee Anne Amaral, Principal
Colleen Rollings, Parent
John Nisbet, Community Member
Tanya Skelhorn, Vice Principal
Diliora Azuke-Onwuka – Student Government Vice-President
Scott McKinnon, Teacher
Shelley Drake, Support Staff
Leslie Phillmore, Community Member
Nancy Hartling, Parent
Leah Bacich, Teacher

Regrets:

Natasha Williams, Parent
Jane Elliott, Student Government Co-president
Griffin Spanik, Grade 9 Rep
Sheetal Ajay, Parent
Ashton McNamara, Student Government Co-president
Kasey Roy, Grade 10 Rep
Feyikemi Rotimi, Grade 11 Rep
Asha Abdosh, Grade 12 Rep
Julie Gibson, Parent
Heather Lynch, Parent

1. Call to Order: At 6:00pm by Leslie Phillmore

2. Approval of Agenda: Approved by Scott MacKinnon and Seconded by Meggie Spicer

3. Approval of Minutes: Approved by Craig Poirier and Seconded by Tanya Skelhorn

4. Business arising from minutes: Discussion around whether the SAC would like to write a letter in regards of the book review *The Hate you Give*. At this time, where the province is still in the review process, the SAC will not be putting together a letter. The school will be engaging students into conversations and planning for whole-wide educational mini-lessons around racism and discrimination.

5. Principal's Report

Current Enrollment: 1793 students (165 Grade 9, 577 Grade 10, 570 Grade 11, 468 Grade 12, Returning Students 13)

65th Anniversary Event
Bleacher Fundraising

Coming Up

Nov. 30 Multicultural Show
Dec. 4 PD Day – no students

Overnight Trips

Nov. 17 – 18 Boys Basketball to Moncton
Nov. 17 – 19 Girls Hockey Sackville NB for Tournament
Dec. 8 -10 Girls Hockey Windsor NS for Tournament
Dec. 8 -10 Boys Hockey to Glace Bay NS for Tournament
Dec. 15 – 16 Boys Basketball to Summerside PEI for Tournament
Jan. 11-14 Boys Basketball to Charlottetown PEI for Tournament
March 7 – 16 Europe Trip – Italy & Greece
March 23 – 30 Europe Trip – France, Spain & Italy
April 30 – May 5 New York Trip

Emergency Management Plan

Fire Drill: Nov. 7

Construction – update signage, landscape, long jump/triple jump
Sports - football

6. Student Success Planning

Shared Student Success Survey with SAC. November 23rd PD focused on equitable assessment/Inclusive Education policy. Teachers reviewed their assessments (balance of observation, conversation & product) and used the Equitable Grading Principles Progression chart. On December 4th, staff will focus on the well-being goal, using a micro-survey that we will conduct this week with students.

7. Finance:

- SAC funding (\$5000 + \$1 for every student).
- SAC agreed that at this time we will wait to see what needs arise.

Discussion around spending money, keeping in mind order and deliver times. It was decided that funds would be used to purchase whiteboard horseshoe tables to facilitate observations and conversations with teachers.

8. Policy Input

There was no policy input to report at this time

9. Reports

Student Government Report

Events from October:

- October Coffeehouse (*Wednesday, October 25*)
- Oktoberfest (*Wednesday, October 25 - Tuesday, October 31*)
- *October 24 - Halloween colours + Movie showing*
- *October 25 - Battle of the Decades + Decades karaoke in the caf*
- *October 26 - West Birthday Fest + outdoor carnival*
- *October 30 - Sweater Weather + pumpkin decorating*
- *October 31 - Costume day + costume show and trick-or-treating @ lunch*
 - West Bday Fest*
 - Caf Lunchtime Dances*
 - Jostens Renaissance Leadership Conference*
 - Alumni Evening (StuGov Setup/Serving/Cleanup Volunteers)*

Upcoming (December):

- *School basketball tournament - Dec 5-8*
- *December Coffeehouse - Dec 13*
- *Habitat For Humanity Fundraiser - Dec 8-21*
- *Hot Chocolate Lunch - Nov 30*
- *Talent Show/December Coffeehouse - Dec 13*
- *Period Product Drive - Whole month of Dec*
- *Holiday Fest, 12 days of Kindness challenge, Annual Goosechase competition*
- *Caf/Custodial Appreciation Day - Dec 6*

Upcoming (January):

- *School Movie Night planning*
- *Seniors Celebration Event planning*
- *Our 8th annual Wellness Week - Theme: "Footsteps to wellness"*
- ***End of Cycle 1 Projects! Future projects begin the first week of the return from Winter Break...***

Grade 10 Report

No Report

Grade 11 Report

No Report

Grade 12 Report

No Report

How do students know where supports are?

On google classroom

Main office, Student Services, Health Centre, Schools Plus

10. New Business

Survey – conversation was had about questions for the student micro-survey taking feedback from all members present.

By-Law and Letter of Agreement – changes were made to include grade 9's. Due to the change there will now be 5 students on the SAC instead of 4.

Adjournment: Moved by Leslie Phillmore at 7:31pm