

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 20 2022

ATTENDANCE

Chris Ecclestone – **Outgoing Chairperson**
Tracey Ecclestone – **Outgoing Secretary**
Anne Marie McDonald – **Principal**
Melanie Darling
Alida French – **Teacher Representative**
Corrie Allingham

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Tabled – will bring forward to October meeting due to lack of quorum. Motion to be addressed at October meeting.

ELECTIONS

NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL COMMITTEE 2022-23

CHAIR – Corrie Allingham – Semester 1 (January 30)
Chris Ecclestone – Semester 2????

VICE-CHAIR – Melanie Darling

SECRETARY -

TREASURER -

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES – Tracey Ecclestone
Chris Ecclestone

CHAIR’S REPORT – CHRIS ECCLESTONE

Nothing to report at this time.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT – MAEVE COTTON AND EMILY ABBASIE (CO-PRESIDENTS)

Clubs Carousel – Thursday September 22, lots of clubs to be showcased
Andy Thibodeau, Motivational Speaker – Visiting Bayridge on Thursday, September 22 to provide a Motivation and Leadership Seminar.
School-wide Assembly – Thursday, September 22
T.G.I.F. in the Cafeteria – Friday, September 23
Orange Shirt Day for day of Truth And Reconciliation – Friday, September 30

TEACHER'S REPORT – ALIDA FRENCH

Sports and Clubs are underway
Clubs Carousel this Thursday, September 22 at lunchtime for students wishing to sign up for Clubs and Activities
School-wide Assembly this Thursday, September 22 – Guest Speaker Andy Thibodeau
College and University School visits will be starting for students who are in Grade 12. Students can sign-up in advance for any presentations that they would like to attend.
Terry Fox Run at 10:55 a.m.
Grade 9's Kingston Transit Bus pass workshop to be held this Friday
School Safety Drills including Fire Drills and Lockdown Drills will be held this week

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – ANNE MARIE MCDONALD

\$500.00 Parent Engagement funds for School Council. We need to submit our Annual Report from last year. Deadline is October 3 2022. In order to access our Parent Engagement Fund we need to submit our Annual Report which is to be a one page summary of what we did as a council last year. The report is to be submitted by the incoming Chair.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES WEEK

Fire Drill and practice Lockdown planned for tomorrow, September 21. This will be our first chance to really practice Lockdown procedures since the start of the Pandemic. Students are not told in advance when the Fire Drills or Lockdown will take place. Our Emergency Procedures Week will include an Injury Protocol and Dramatic Casualty Representation, where a student will simulate being injured. Staff will have the

opportunity to practise their First Aid skills and what they would do if a student was in distress.

OSSLT

Results of last year's OSSLT are in; the results are not good across the Board. Literacy Test scores are lower than they have been in recent years, both school-wide and throughout the Board. Students will receive notification of their test results by a letter indicating if they were successful or unsuccessful and will be called down individually to receive and discuss their results. Students who were unsuccessful will get an opportunity to retake the test at a later date. Learning gaps from school closures and switching to remote learning during the last two years of the CoVid pandemic are thought to have contributed to the higher failure rate among grade 10, 11 and 12 students who wrote the test in December and April, as approximately one third of those students were not successful.

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

Catch-Up Immunization Clinics are being run by a team of nurses from the K.F.L.A. Health Unit. There will be an Immunization Clinic to be held at Bayridge to offer vaccinations to students who need them and who may be missing some vaccinations such as HPV due to the pandemic.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

We need to select a PIC representative to serve on the Parent Involvement Committee. This Committee is made up of parent representatives from secondary schools within LDSB. Amy Webb was our PIC representative last year. First PIC meeting to be held at the LDSB office on Portsmouth Avenue on Thursday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m.,

OLD BUSINESS

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Breakfast was held last June 29 at the end of the school year, to recognize and celebrate some staff members who were retiring at the end of the school year. The breakfast went very well with a variety of food items donated by families. The teachers and staff were very appreciative of the time and effort that went in to planning and organizing the breakfast and thanks to all who were involved in this event.

NEW BUSINESS

Graduation Award – School Council usually funds an award that is presented annually to a graduating Grade 12 student. Are we going to continue with that award this year? Might need to see the Treasurer's Report to verify that we have enough money in our budget to cover the cost of an annual award. Cost of the award is \$200.00. To be discussed further at our next meeting pending review of the budget.

Bayridge E-Sport Team – New E-Sport Team is starting up and Jon Swaine is to be the Teacher Representative of this exciting new venture, a first for Bayridge. So far there has been lots of interest among students, with the possibility of try-outs being necessary if a large number of students sign up. The games to be played will be sports type games with a PG rating. No war games or C.O.D. type games but rather sports games that everyone can enjoy. Students who make the team will attend practices and will get to play in a tournament against other schools.

Terry Fox Run to be held September 21. Students are encouraged to donate a toonie or other money in support of Terry and to walk or run in Terry's memory.

Fall Honour Roll and Awards Night – Sometime in October but no date has been set yet. Usually a School Council representative gets to be present on stage during the ceremony along with local dignitaries and LDSB personnel. Date to be determined.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Carried over to next meeting as there was no Treasurer present to provide a report.

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for October 18 unless this date conflicts with the Fall Awards Ceremony, in which case the next meeting will be scheduled for October 25.

Motion to adjourn meeting – 1. Corrie
 2. Melanie

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

