

## SCC Meeting Minutes <br> Wednesday November 21, 2023-6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

## Attendees:

- Peter Ackie, Co-Chair
- David Rule, Principal
- Sharon Navarro, Vice Chair
- Mr. Jim Blair??
- Ms. Holly Richard (VP)
- Lindsay Martinek, Secretary
- Lily Athanasopoulos-Geetan (student rep)
- Trustee Stephen Linton
- Shawna Serna
- Jacquie Chipman
- John Flanagan
- Faye Ackie
- Layna Johnson
- Sobia Maqbool

| Agenda Item Presenter | Discussion | Actions |
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| Call to order | - Meeting called to order at 6:36 by Peter Ackie |  |
| Welcome Peter Ackie | - Land acknowledgment, Indigenous Rights and Human Rights statement read by VP Ms. Holly Richard |  |
| Principal's Report - David Rule | - In the theatre tonight because the library is undergoing repairs of the skylight <br> - Anticipate construction to be complete in the new year <br> - Students don't have access to the main library at the moment, however have access to a smaller space and library programming available <br> - Dunbarton is a busy place with lots going on. We work very collaboratively with our partners at Durham Police Services, to support school safety. <br> - We work very hard to ensure we are proactive in our communication out if there is something parents and the community needs to know quickly related to events at |  |


|  | the school <br> - Very quick in the Social Media age, to have rumors swirl quickly and it often portrays issues that are much worse than the reality when things transpire <br> - The grade 9 student council has commenced. Please encourage your kids to join if they are in grade 9. Mr. Paramasamy is in guidance and is the individual who is supporting this council <br> $\mathbf{Q}$ - Are students made aware in the same way that parents are made aware when there are incidents? <br> A - We ensure parents have the information to discuss things at home, as well as ensure our staff has the information that they need to answer questions and support the kids. <br> - We are working as a school team to ensure that kids are remaining in the classroom when they are at school, unless walking between classes <br> - There are so many great things happening at Dunbarton that we are thrilled to share with you in the student's report <br> Q - How can we help to put positive messages out into our community for future students and families who feel Dunbarton is violent and unsafe? <br> A - Will discuss during round table to determine some opportunities as an SCC |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Co-Chair's } \\ & \text { Report - Peter } \\ & \text { Ackie } \end{aligned}$ | - Speaker series ProGrant application has been submitted and we should be hearing back on the application status soon <br> - Will be brainstorming opportunities to spend our council \$500 |  |


| Student's <br> Report - Lily <br> Athanasopoulos- <br> Geetan | Events in October: <br> Halloween Haunted Gym <br> Student feedback: <br> - Decorations \& Set-up (maze-type set up, student decor, 'museum' type scenes) were better than last year <br> - Hand in bowl activity was a good addition (olives, peaches \& tomatoes, cold spaghetti) BUT next time make it less messy <br> - Better safety precautions than last year <br> Halloween Bake Sale <br> - Overall a success; lots of variety <br> - Next time possibly only 1 continuous row of tables stretched into other hallways (to avoid crowding) <br> Just dance (Nov. 2): <br> - Overall a good turnout; however there were some parts in the planning process that could've gone better <br> - More participation <br> Upcoming Events: <br> Board Game Day (TBD) <br> - Event plan submitted ; Location TBD ; SAC Members will bring games to share ; Delayed due to OSSLT <br> Minute to Win It Games (Nov. 24) <br> - Event plan in progress ; Event in Caf at Lunch <br> - Series of Mini Games (winners get a prize) |
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|  | Donation Drive \{run by Lily in leadership last year ; would like to do again this year\} <br> - Donations Durham Outlook (Oshawa) <br> - Donations of clothing, toiletries, winter appliances, etc... will provide list) <br> - All events will be advertised <br> - Any issues or concerns from parents, please bring them forward and I will address them at the school board meetings |  |
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| Teacher's Report | - Sports that are up and running for winter have been sent out: Badminton, Basketball, wrestling, volleyball, hockey, swimming <br> - So many clubs available to pull kids in and gives them a sense of belonging and welcome...everyone has a "place" <br> - Please encourage your students to get involved |  |
| SCC Funds \$500 | Idea brainstorming: <br> - Bursary for graduating student <br> - Add the money to revenue generation from a fundraiser <br> - Bursary for students going into the trades to purchase tools <br> - Will poll the membership to get additional feedback <br> - Funds to support a student who wants to excel/further their craft (i.e. money toward private lessons for someone in the arts, money toward musical instrument for someone who wants to branch out in music, sports oriented child who looks to the money to support sport outside of school) <br> - Needs to have community involvement as this is part of our mandate | Survey to come out with the meeting requests, on ideas for utilization of the funds <br> Lindsay to provides questions to Dave |
| Parent Round Table | - How can we use social media to flood positivity and awareness from the school (clubs, athletes, intramurals, extra-curricular, charity work)? <br> - Dunbarton instagram is run by the office <br> - Student Council instagram is run by the student council and marketing | Dave will check on the opportunity for locked cubbies |

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