



SCC Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 16, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Attendees (In Person):

- Lindsay Martinek, Co-Chair
- David Rule, Principal
- Sushma Kashyap, Secretary
- James Blair, staff rep
- Kayla Kerr (student rep)
- Emma Cunningham (Board Trustee)
- Tracy Brown (DDSB Board Chair)
- Deb Oldfield (DDSB Board Vice Chair)
- Lauren Irwin
- Marsha Barrett Lehekornen
- Layna Maruyama
- Vik Jhurry
- Mareela Rosales
- Dorinda White
- Angela Portsmouth
- Doodnath Sharma

Agenda Item - Presenter	Discussion	Actions
Council Mandate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advisory Board that makes recommendations to the principal to further student achievement and well-being. - Facilitates and supports parent and community engagement, as a link between the school and its families. 	None
Call to order - Lindsay Martinek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Lindsay Martinek 	None
1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgement - David Rule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land acknowledgment, Indigenous Rights and Human Rights read - SCC meetings and events are subject to the SCC Code of Conduct and DDSB policies and procedures 	None



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It is an expectation that SCC members adhere to the DDSB policies and code of conduct 	
<p>2. DDSB Board Chair, Vice Chair and Trustee Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lindsay Martinek - Deb Oldfield - Tracy Brown - Emma Cunningham 	<p>Brief roles overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deb - Vice Chair & escalation contact. - Emphasis on the role of trustees: governance-level responsibilities, acting as public connectors, and guiding through policy and processes. - Staff and school-level operations are outside trustees' scope. <p>Key Topics Discussed</p> <p>Roles and responsibilities: Trustees operate at the governance level and should not get involved in day-to-day school operations. Their role includes supporting policies, oversight, and public communication and are a bridge between the public and the school board, helping to navigate board processes and escalate concerns when needed.</p> <p>Bullying Policy Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actively monitor and support the development of a comprehensive bullying policy. • Recognize bullying and elementary school violence as priority issues requiring systemic solutions. <p>School-based volunteer program - helpful for supervision (e.g., hallways, restrooms) but not sustainable long-term.</p> <p>How SCC can support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members can send email to Ad-hoc committee to highlight any concerns regarding the school or board. 	



	<p>Concerns raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication in DDSB is biggest challenge but was parallely addressed by having a diverse community representation 	
3. Student's Report - Kayla and Grace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The idea of having police in the hallway is causing a concern among students - recommended solution is to understanding students at a personal level - Events lined up for May and June - Spring Sports, McMaster Training and Exhibition, Cultural Food fest, Pep rally and Super Spartans Day. 	Council assistance with Super Spartan day
4. Teacher's report - James Blair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grade 12 Gala is scheduled to happen on May 22 - Spring sports have started 	None
5. Principal's report - David Rule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deferred 	None
6. SCC By-Laws - Lindsay Martinek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bylaw document presented for feedback • Will send for feedback to the larger council distribution list and finalize 	Send to membership for review
7. Subcommittee Updates - Committee Chairs	<p><u>Fundraising Subcommittee Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instagram outreach in progress. • Papa John's fundraiser+ Blue Jay ticket sales on May 20 • SSC fund top-up possible via David (pending board justification). 	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds can be carried forward to next school year with proper approval <p>Bursary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same criteria, application and selection process to be used as last year Has been sent to the guidance department for circulation <p>ProGrant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received significantly less than we applied for Received very late and with little time to make arrangements to utilize Feedback provided to the committee for late acceptance and barriers to utilization <p><u>Student & Staff Experience Subcommittee Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Courtyard beautification project in collaboration with Greenwood Nursery. Event planned for Earth Day- coordination with staff in progress. 	
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm	