



**SCC Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Attendees:**

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| • David Rule - Principal                 | • Doodnauth Sharma |
| • Lindsay Martinek - Chair               | • Irene Thomaidis  |
| • Bree McMullen - Secretary              | • Shawna Serna     |
| • Shaundell Paris – Vice Principal       | • Bonnie Schnurr   |
| • Jim Blair – DHS Teacher Representative | • Chris Rohe       |
| • Lisa Hamilton                          | • Suja Lingham     |
| • Sarah Happe                            |                    |
| • Catharine Bouchard                     |                    |

Agenda Item - Presenter	Discussion	Actions
<b>Welcome &amp; Land Acknowledgement:</b> David Rule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land acknowledgment, Indigenous Rights and Human Rights read</li> <li>SCC meetings and events are subject to the SCC Code of Conduct and DDSB policies and procedures</li> <li>It is an expectation that SCC members adhere to the DDSB policies and code of conduct</li> </ul>	None
<b>Addition to Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous agenda reflected the holiday social</li> <li>Social will be postponed to the end of year</li> </ul>	None
<b>Chair's Report:</b> Lindsay Martinek	<p><b>School Engagement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fantastic turnout for the pancake breakfast co-hosted by the administration and SCC in advance of the holidays</li> </ul> <p><b>Pro-Grant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The pro-grant application assessment committee has requested additional information prior to approval, which has been provided</li> </ul>	



	<p><b>Fundraising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Another set of Leaf's Tickets have been donated by a Dunbarton family and will go up for raffle in the coming months – Game is in March</li> </ul> <p><b>Future Administrators</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collecting suggestions to pass along to the board re: characteristics about future administrators for Dunbarton</li> </ul>	Please email any thoughts to Lindsay directly
Teacher's Report: Jim Blair	<p><b>Student Conduct</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing conversations around follow up/consequences for undesirable behavior within the school</li> <li>• Ongoing student presence/behavior in the hallways and bathrooms that the staff feel still needs to be addressed</li> <li>• Request made to SCC to support a letter to superindendent to request more support in the creation of a supervision program in the hallways</li> <li>• Discussion from the parents regarding behavior challenges in the Grade 9 French cohort</li> <li>• School acknowledges the challenges and indicated that without breaching privacy, the school can confirm that the staff and administration are working on the issues</li> <li>• Parental concern that this will impact the students grade 10 preparedness</li> <li>• Mr. Rule assured that over the long term trajectory of their high school years our staff are here to support success.</li> </ul> <p><b>Hallway and Bathroom Presence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administration continues to round in the hallway but based on the infrastructure of the school they can't have eyes on all areas</li> <li>• The SCC is in support of revisiting previous drafts of hall supervision proposals to bring forward for consideration (pilot project of a Child and Youth Worker in the hallways)</li> </ul>	

	<b>Programming</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>French immersion program has some trips planned for French exposure coming in the next semester</li> </ul>	
<b>Principal's Report:</b> <b>Dave Rule</b>	<b>Exams</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Start next week – watch for email communication on schedule</li> <li>Start time for all exams is 9:30am with buses running normally</li> <li>Students typically chose to find their own way home after their exam is finished</li> <li>In the event of exam cancellations due to inclement weather, the impacted exams will be rescheduled to Tuesday January 27<sup>th</sup></li> </ul> <b>Semester 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Timtables may change up until the first day of the second semester</li> <li>All home room teachers will be posted when the students come in on day 1, and they will be given their final timetable in their home room class</li> <li>Timetable changes for Grade 12 students will happen throughout the exam period, and grade 11 students beginning on the first day of semester 2</li> <li>Mr. Rule is being moved to a new position at the Board, effective Feb 27<sup>th</sup></li> <li>The new Principal will start on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and is a seasoned secondary school principal within Durham region</li> </ul> <b>Santa Cause</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hugely successful campaign throughout the month of December</li> <li>This is an annual fundraiser for local charities and this year broke records</li> <li>\$10,000+ raised by the students in support of two local charities</li> </ul> <b>Grade 8 Night</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grade 8 information night is on Feb 5<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bree will be representing the SCC on Lindsay's behalf to introduce parents to the SCC and how to get involved in the fall</li> </ul> <p><b>School calendar for 2026/2027</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposed calendar presented and the board is presently accepting feedback from the school community</li> <li>No formal issues expressed by the SCC members present</li> </ul>	Any concerns can be sent to the Board through the link that went out to parents/caregivers.
<b>Committee Work Time</b>	<p><b>Fundraising &amp; Bursary Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tickets and prize pack is the next to be put up for raffle in Jan</li> <li>Leaf's tickets raffle in Feb</li> <li>Student bursary to go out for applicants in the spring</li> </ul> <p><b>Teacher appreciation lunch</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion on date – proposing spring PD day</li> <li>Alternate is a Friday during regular school year</li> <li>Recommendation to avoid the exam period at the end of the year</li> <li>Several parents will be looking into local restaurants for donations</li> <li>Feedback from staff is that a potluck may be preferable, and more cost effective</li> </ul> <p><b>Orientation to the Ontario School System</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Education forum for new Canadians who did not attend school in Canada</li> <li>Offer seminar in several languages for those who don't have English language proficiency</li> <li>Planning underway with additional input and guidance requested from Mrs. Da Camara</li> </ul>	Dave to confirm date of next PD day and whether staff are on site vs at the Board office
<b>Next Meeting Date</b>	- February 11 <sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:30pm – Dunbarton High School Library	
<b>Meeting Adjourned</b>	- Adjourned by Lindsay Martinek	