

Dunbarton High School School Community Council (SCC) Meeting: hybrid Tuesday September 19th, 2023 @ 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Location: Library

- 1. Welcome & Introductions (Scc Co-chairs (10 mins)
 - Land Acknowledgement
 - New Principal David Rule
- 2. SCC New Executive Election Process David
 - David discussed the election process and called for nominations
 - After the nominations and voting, the executive was determined.
 - Co-chairs (re-elected): Peter Ackie, Christina Gaines
 - Vice Chair (new role): Sharon Navarro
 - Secretary: Lindsay Merthek
 - Treasurer: Anita Vishnu
- 3. School Rep Updates Noah McFarlane
 - SAC Co-president spoke to the importance of grade nine students and all students getting involved in something outside of just classes. Building connections to and within the school, such as belonging to or joining clubs, teams and associations, helps students want to be here and for students to see this as their second home.
- 4. Teacher Rep Updates James Blair
 - Mr. Blair spoke about the importance of parents getting involved and the usefulness of the SCC to help provide input from yourself and the greater

- community to help design a united (School, Students, Parent, and community) focused community hub. And to have an additional update on school events, programming, etc., and what is happening outside of what your child wants to inform you about.
- Mr. Blair also spoke to a direction that our staff, our admin and the board are focused on: truly recognizing our students, engaging them and making our community school a genuinely welcoming place for all.

5. Miscellaneous

- Post agenda items, parents discussed items such as:
 - vaping concerns
 - Potential of protesting due to the gender issues

6. Principal's Report

- Notification by David, that the Pride Flag will be raised
- Informed that the library will be fixed; room access will be lost, in the interim
- Identification of the vaping issues. With Mr. Blair, concerns were addressed via: washroom random spot checks; re-enforcement of tobacco enforcement policies (they will connect with families, re: parties who are caught)
- Addressed purchase of shirts for gym

7. Adjournment

- Date of next meeting
- Wednesday October 18th, 2023 @ 6:30 7:30