

SCC Meeting Minutes Wednesday October 2, 2024 – 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Attendees:

- David Rule, Principal & Meeting Chair
- Sharon Navarro
- Lindsay Martinek
- James Blair Teacher
- Arian Cullen VP
- Holly Richard VP
- Michelle DeCamara VP
- Vik Jhurry
- Marcela Rosales
- Marsha Barrett Lehikonen
- Anton Ivanov

- Lisa Hamilton
- Lauren Irwin
- Ingrid McLaren
- Iva Milios
- Adam Bell
- Christina Rohe
- Holly Lynden
- Tricia Sutton
- Reynold Ramsaran
- Cecile Busto-Gomez

- Chris Ugolini
- Annika Kim
- Michelle Horton
- Sobia Magbool
- Ali Magbool
- Sotole Cowan
- Chris Hale
- Sushma Vasantavada
- Kate Boyer
- Raj Kailas

Agenda Item - Presenter	Discussion	Actions
Call to order – Dave	None	None
Welcome & Land Acknowledgement– Dave Rule	 Welcome to the committee & thank you all for coming Land acknowledgement read Executive elections will commence first and the elected chair will then take over the meeting Chair will work alongside the administration to plan the SCC for the year 	None



Discussion of Council Roles – David Rule	 Video viewed from Parent involvement committee for the board Engagement speaker series coming this year from the board parent involvement group SCC Chair to participate in regional meeting for Durham ProGrant available again this year for parent engagement activities Chair is the voice at the board level and to represent the SCC regionally Expectations of SCC members shared <i>(sides attached with minutes)</i> Indicate where to find the agenda, where items are posted and how to access them 	None
Council Executive Elections - David Rule	 Executive roles reviewed Chair 1 nomination for Chair No additional nominations from the floor 3 calls for nominations Sole nominee Lindsay Martinek acclaimed 	Documentation for executive roles signed and collected by school principal
	 <u>Vice-Chair</u> 2 nominees for Vice Chair running in election as a duo. No additional nominations from the floor 3 calls for nominations Duo nominated Sharon Navarro & Lauren Irwin acclaimed <u>Secretary</u> 1 nomination submitted prior to the meeting was not in attendance 1 nomination from the floor 3 calls for nominations from the floor 	



	- Nomination from the floor Sushma Vasantavada acclaimed
	- No election as 1 nominee not in attendance
	Treasurer
	- 1 nomination from the floor
	- 3 calls for nominations from the floor
	- Nomination from the floor Adam Bell acclaimed
Principal's Report – David Rule	School Construction
	- Construction is ongoing in the building since summer months
	- Construction is delayed and there have been some shuffles in classrooms as a
	result, we will likely be moving in by the end of the month
	 Change rooms have not been updated since the school was built
	 They are presently under construction and we are told that we *may* have
	rooms back by the end of 1 st semester
	<u>Washrooms</u>
	 Washroom safety is always a concern at the top of mind for admin
	- Constantly circulating through the washrooms to ensure they are clean and safe
	 We have gender neutral individual washrooms for anyone to use should they
	wish
	 Question – Is there an alternate solution to having soap dispensers bolted
	outside of the bathroom on the wallit is a hygiene issue
	- Having them on the outside of the wall is the lesser of the evils to keep the
	vandalism to a minimum inside of the bathroom that may create a slip and fall



	hazard
	 If there are any other thoughts we are all ears
	 Is caging the soap dispensers an option?
	 Yes it worked for a period of time until they figured out how to vandalize those
	- Working with Durham Health on the challenge
	<u>Clubs and Teams</u>
	- Clubs and council fair this week, encourage your children to attend
	- School trips are up and running
	- Fall sports are in full swing
	- List of all available sports and clubs are on the website and shared throughout
	the school and on announcements/grade level google classroom
	Population
	- 1700 students this year
	 Projection for the next few years our population is increasing to 2100+
	 We may be getting portables as a result next school year
	<u>Facilities</u>
	- Grass cutting under the bleachers will be brought forward to our grass cutting
	service group to ensure it is maintained
	 Track replacement is out of reach of the budget in the short term
Student's Report -	- No student report this month
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Teacher's Report –	- Please get your children involved in school activities	
Jim Blair	- Opportunities for involvement in the community around the school	
	- The stronger the community we have the better we are together	
	 Looking forward to working together toward the mandate of the SCC 	
New Business	Suggestions from the Attendees	Explore option for Nov meeting to be virtual
	 Look at the opportunity for virtual meetings to expand more parents Can we do some fundraising as a group for different things for the kids University fair is happening at Metro Convention Centre Sat/Sun 9:30-5:00 Meeting needs to be longer in length to enable time for reporting in, consultation, discussion and questions 	
	University Applications	
	 Grade 12 students will be getting an info session this week regarding the process for university applications Process, deadlines and how to's Grade 10 careers program touches on some of this Grade 11 program SHSM?? That walks through different paths (trade, college, workplace, university) Special high skills major (SHSM Ontario) program 	
	Parent Questions	
	Q - Is there an exchange happening this year?	
	A – every other year generally, as a result of the year of planning it takes	
	 Great opportunity for SCC to influence, perhaps a working group for exploring this opportunity We were a part of travel programs prior to COVID. Post COVID things have 	



	 slowed down and we have not participated since. There has been a lot of red tape with liability and safety to making travel opportunities a reality What are the barriers to starting again? We are willing to look at what we could do to offer opportunities for travel and extended opportunities. Dave would have to share with the group the first steps in working through how we could support this initiative Is the peer tutor program starting? A – has started through guidance 	
Meeting Adjourned	- Adjourned at 7:46	