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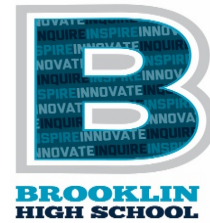
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School Community Council Virtual Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday May 4, 2021

6:30 pm

Google Meet

1. Welcome L. Hayes/C. Savage
2. Student Parliament Update Matthew and Sara
 - a. BHS Student Voice Survey:
 - i. Majority of students find Remind, Chat Box in Google Classroom and D2L Brightspace, and Guidance to be the most helpful tools during virtual learning. Student Engagement remains high and survey results were shared by Mr. Palmer under Good News.
 - ii. Majority of students find focusing, peer interaction, and mental and physical wellbeing to be the most challenging aspect of hybrid and virtual learning.
 - iii. Spirit Days and Social Media initiatives have been the most engaging this year for students.
 - b. Mental Health Week May 3-9
 - i. Student Parliament teamed up with Bears Care (formerly Me to We) to promote awareness and positive mental wellness for Canadian Mental Health Week
 - ii. Students from both clubs worked together with staff to create a Google Site with educational resources, wellness tips and virtual experiences (i.e.. yoga, baking)
 - iii. Students are also encouraged to submit artwork over the week which promotes positive mental wellness
 - c. BHS Club Highlights
 - i. Model UN competed in conferences recently
 - ii. GSA re-established virtually at BHS
 - d. Tropical Tuesday Spirit Day
 - i. Promote wellness and spirit in the school community. Generate enthusiasm through online contests for best dressed, Hula Competition etc
 - ii. Pizza Fundraiser through Domino's Pizza. We will host an upcoming pizza fundraiser through Domino's to raise money for school initiatives and events
3. Principal's Report W. Palmer
 - a. Good News
 - i. Student Abigail Dove – Co-hosted an NHL game on national television.
 - ii. The perseverance of our community during this pandemic remains good news.

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- iii. Student Engagement Survey was shared with positive student engagement results, overall. Important to note students remained challenged to maintain focus during emergency remote learning.
- b. 2021.22: School Calendar Information
 - i. New calendar for next school year has 3 PD days prior to school with 2 of them after Labour Day Holiday. The first day of school would be on Thursday, September 9, 2021. The Friday before March Break 2022 is lost in this new schedule.
 - ii. Currently, the school year is planned to start with Quadesters for semester 1, with the hope to return to a 4-course semester 2 and more normalcy than now.
- c. 2021.22: School Planning Information
 - i. Planning for next year's startup will be the same quadmester and bell schedule as our current pandemic situation, using Cohort system with in-person and online learning, plus academic support. As public health protocols evolve, adjusting to the health pandemic, so, too, will the education system.
 - ii. Learning preferences survey was issued due to the demand for online learning across the system. At Brooklin HS the impact has been approximately 40 more students preferring to attend virtual, only, making our enrolment 1,340, currently.
 - iii. The school timetable process has just begun and may not be set until late June 2021. There may have to be adjustments made in August as enrolment numbers evolve.
 - iv. There is no information about return to school for the remainder of this school year. For now, it is a provincial shutdown until May 20th, 2021. Updates are likely forthcoming – when or if we will be returning to in person learning.
- d. Regional SCC Information
 - i. Virtual Parents as Parents Symposium Webinar
 - 1. Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.
 - 2. Keynote Speaker: Dr. Regisford
 - a. This is the link to register for the virtual Parent Symposium on May 26th:
https://ddsb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WfQMMt-bTU2IX8CDHajCzg
- e. Spring Graduation Update
 - i. If able, we will run a Hybrid Virtual Drive-Thru Graduation on Tuesday, June 29th, 2021.
 - ii. The virtual ceremonies for Commencement will be done via Brooklin High School's YouTube channel.
 - iii. Information will be posted on the school website when information and scheduling is solidified – which will likely be post May 20th, when the province re-visits provincial lockdown protocols.
 - iv. There is no school prom, due to pandemic and public health protocols.

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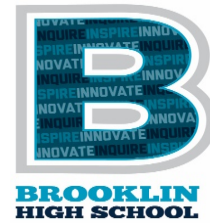
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4. Annual Report L. Hayes/C. Savage
 - a. A file that summarizes what the SCC has completed this year will be reviewed by the SCC chairs, then sent out for committee review in June.

5. Elections Committee W. Palmer
 - a. A committee needs to be formed should there be an election needed if our SCC grows beyond 20 parents. Historically this has never occurred.
 - b. Lisa Hayes, Carolyn Savage and Gloria Nedanis volunteered for this – should an election be needed next fall.

6. Volunteer of Distinction W. Palmer
 - a. Not applicable for this school year.

7. Safe and Accepting Schools P. Koster
 - a. Code of Conduct Review
 - i. We are open to comments and suggestions to our code of conduct from parents. Please email the school, BrooklinHS@ddsb.ca, if there is any advice you want to share.
 - b. Safe and Accepting School Climate Survey
 - i. DDSB will send information to school administration, once the survey has been put into a shareable form. We will be sure to share results at upcoming SCC Meetings, but generally the results are positive.
 - ii. Ms. McClure presented our Mental Health Initiative
 1. Mini-lessons about good mental health and wellness
 2. Ten BHS teachers are on this team to examine the resources from School Mental Health Ontario – with resources for parents, teachers and students.
 3. Lesson series has been shared with staff (ex. Virtual Field Trips, breathing strategies, anti-stress strategies, etc.)
 4. These are shared in 8 modules through Google Classroom and Sites.
 5. Well appreciated by admin, parents, teachers and students.
 6. See links in Instagram, Twitter and our Website.

8. Adjournment and Action Items L. Hayes/C. Savage
 - a. Share school climate survey in October 2021
 - b. Update website re: graduation information

Next Meeting: Tuesday October 5, 2021 at 6:30 pm

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