

BROOKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

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School Community Council

Tuesday November 2, 2022

6:00 pm

Google

Meet

1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

K. Hoben/C. Savage

Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have long standing relationships, both historic and modern, with the territories upon which our school board and schools are located. Today, this area is home to many Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island. We acknowledge that the Durham Region forms a part of the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, the Mississauga Peoples and the treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. It is on these ancestral and treaty lands that we teach, learn and live.

Indigenous Inherent Rights:

The Durham District School Board recognizes Indigenous rights are distinct. In the exercise of those rights, Indigenous staff and students shall not be subjected to actions with the aim or effect of depriving these distinct rights.

Human Rights and Equity Statement:

The Durham District School Board is committed to learning and working environments that centre human rights and equity, and are **safe**, welcoming, respectful, equitable, **accessible**, inclusive, and free from discrimination

2. Welcome

K. Hoben/C.Savage

Welcome to new members.

3. Student Parliament Update

Rachel Bureau

Paige & Cassidy (student council co-leads) to present Nov. 1 Updates

- a. Hallo-week events (games, vis IG pet costumes, Mummy wrap, pumpkin bowling, costume/black & orange & black day)
- b. Bear Scare Hunger - food drive going to Feed the Need Durham that provides food to various food banks in the region
- c. Clubs & Sports upcoming - sewing club, swim team and boys & girls hockey teams starting soon. Field hockey - silver in LOSSA final, Senior girls 7s rugby placing 4th, boys golf won team gold in LOSSA.
- d. What's next - debriefing of what has happened and where we are going!

4. Principal's Report

J. MacKenzie

- a. Staffing update (Math posting - a permanent posting to relieve pressure on Gr. 11 courses which currently have wait lists. The post closes Friday, interviews are next week.)
- b. Mr. Penney's Gr. 12 brought in 200 items themselves - a huge donation from just one class! Similar food drives are planned for the Christmas holiday.
- c. New App (**Ed-ganizer**) which will post all of our announcements. It will allow staff & students to access daily announcements (the goal is to make it able to be accessed to parents very soon.)
- d. Girls golf - individual LOSSA gold
- e. Cross country - many LOSSA wins and OFSAA is coming up!
- f. Flag football (intramural/co-curricular)
- g. Upcoming CWS (Nov. 9-11) Ottawa trip for Remembrance Day
- h. Fashion classes (many activities including a 'poppy' dress adorning our hallways.
- i. DECA has 60 members and will be attending regionals and may go to provincials depending upon results.

5. Literacy Updates -OSSLT

D. Bratincevic

- a. Nov. 28 & 30th (part a & b over two days - mornings) There will be a modified schedule.
- b. Nov. 7th staff training
- c. Practice test - Nov. 22nd (will be open for 2 days so students can access it from home.)
- d. 2 After School Literacy Programs (ten - one hour sessions)
- e. Gr. 10 at risk and 11 at students
- f. OSSLT CAN be attempted again in the spring.

6. Report Cards

D. Bratincevic

- a. Mid term mark reporting Nov. 17th Report Cards available to parents - parents will be receiving emails. This is new, so changes could occur.

7. Parent Teacher Interviews

D. Bratincevic

- a. Due to bussing challenges our interview schedule was partly via telephones an

8. January Exams

D. Bratincevic

- a. Jan. 26-31
- b. Feb. 1 inclement weather day (Feb. 2 Credit Completion Day)
- c. Feb. 3 Semester two begins
- d. Medical notes are required in case examinations are not attended.
- e. Culminating activities occur in the final weeks of the semester.
- f. Attendance in the final weeks of the semester are very important to ensure student success.

9. Positive School Climate Update

J. Demaray

- a. Board wide climate survey will be conducted - upcoming.
- b. Continuing work on DDSB key priorities (notably around Indigenous and Human Rights policies.
- c. "Hello Hope" -outside presentations planned later this year that aligns with DDSB policy.

10. Reminders From Guidance

- a. Jr Awards – students will receive their Honour Roll certificates in homeroom. Top award winners will be recognized with a photo opportunity.
- b. Next year we will return to a condensed awards ceremony for Subject Award winners and top overall students, only.
- c. OUAC PINS – were delivered in homerooms this week. These are required for students who want to apply to Ontario Universities. Deadline is January 12th.

- d. College Applications – are open! We encourage students to apply sooner rather than later. Students do not need an individualized PIN to apply. Deadline is February 1st.
- e. Take Our Kid to Work Day – November 2nd. Forms have been given to all students (electronically through Ms. Shosenberg’s google classroom. We usually have 100% participation. We are encouraging all students to take advantage of this amazing opportunity. If they do not have an option to participate, they will be attending their regularly scheduled classes with TOKTW programming delivered by the teachers.
- f. Bears Breakfast – we service 400 students a week on a very limited budget. We are asking for community donations through the School Cash Online to help us continue to offer students a well balanced and diverse options on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in guidance.
- g. SLAM – Student Leaders and Mentors have been delivering community based inclusion curriculum to grade 9s weekly since the start of school. Ask your grade 9 child about the program.

9. Other Business

K. Hoben/C.Savage

a. Question around bringing back MADD presentations? - C. Savage

- i. The plan is to bring this back closer to Prom at the end of the academic year closer to May.
J. MackKenzie

b. Will secondary schools in DDSB pivot to online learning due to the impending CUPE strike?

- i. Principals are awaiting information from Senior Admin. This will likely be on Thursday evening. School admin understands the frustration - but as of this moment. No new information. So, stay tuned!

10. Adjournment

K. Hoben/C.Savage

Reminder: The next virtual meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 7, 2023 at 6:00 pm