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School Community Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

6:30 -7:30 pm

Minutes

1. Welcome A. Hartloff/L. Hayes
 - a. Greetings from Mr. Palmer. He noted the last agenda item, highlighting time will be spent on a school walkthrough as a way to demonstrate how we perform our school Health & Safety Audits.

2. Student Parliament Update Reagan and Matthew
 - a. LOSSA swim meet – sending swimmers to OFSAA
 - b. DECA Provincials – 13 medals with some students getting a chance to go to Nationals in Nashville, TN
 - c. Valentine’s Day activities overview
 - d. Team Canada – Men’s Basketball – visited the Bears Den!
 - e. Model U.N. Conference in Brooklin HS Library
 - f. Curling Team winning silver and gold at LOSSA
 - g. Ski club is very active too!
 - h. Pink Shirt Day on Feb. 26th – with fun dodgeball activity
 - i. Upcoming – retro day (any decade before the 2020s!)
 - j. Diversity Bazaar – food tickets at the door
 - k. Girls Volleyball playing for LOSSA gold today!

3. Principal’s Report W. Palmer
 - a. Good News
 - i. On Gr. 8 Info Night around 400 parents showed up! Very popular!
 - ii. Grad Photos completed for 2020 school year!
 - iii. Outdoor Ed went to Camp Mini-Yo-We for winter camping for three days!
 - iv. University of Waterloo Math contest written by students in Gr 9-11 who wanted to participate
 - v. Recent Gold performance by our school’s Jazz Band!
 - vi. Varsity Girls/ Senior Boys Hockey go for LOSSA Gold next week!
 - vii. Boys Basketball wrapped up – a fun season!
 - viii. Drama (student written/performed) production March 5th and 6th @7PM
 - ix. Progress Reports come out on March 12 – please remember it is based only on only 4 weeks instruction
 - x. March 26th – our Parent Teacher Interviews – please use online booking tool!

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- xi. March 13-22 – March Break
 - xii. OSSLT – Information to be given later in the meeting (see item 4), but we are planning as if students are writing and waiting for any updates from the school board and Ministry of Education
 - b. Regional SCC Information (Feb 25th – Raising Healthy Happy Children)
 - c. Parents as Partners Symposium: April 4th @ J. Clarke Richardson Collegiate, 8 am to 1 pm; a flyer for the event was shared
 - d. Spring Commencement Plans were discussed.
 - i. Thursday June 25th, 1 pm @ **Iroquois Park Sports Centre**, Pad 1, with graduates arriving earlier for Marshalling
 - ii. Grad Fees are being paid and deadline is May 1st.
 - iii. Community Service hours given to Guidance and deadline for graduates is May 1st.
 - iv. Prom is on Tuesday, June 23rd at the Ajax Convention Centre and tickets are available to graduates who have all their community involvement hours handed in and graduation fees paid, from May 6th to 22nd.
 - e. Safe Arrival and Traffic Issues Update
 - i. We noted Brooklin HS continues to grow steadily and we are the 6th largest secondary school in the Board and there are traffic issues
 - ii. Some minor frustrations discussed regarding snow removal – contractor has been contacted
 - iii. Continuing dialogue is required with Town By-Law officers regarding cars parking and stopping on Carnwith Drive
 - iv. We will continue the communication to school community regarding our procedures for Safe Arrival
4. Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test E. Oliver
- a. March 31, 2020 is the scheduled date and we are planning as though the OSSLT is going to be written on this Tuesday, despite the normal supports we have not been able to provide due to legal job actions
 - b. It was reported that, consistently, over 65+ students are attending the After-School Literacy Program (ASLP). We have three teachers working in smaller groups in the Library Learning Commons. Students are being very cooperative and many have been appreciative of the extra support.
 - c. Ms. Oliver demonstrated the ASLP Google Classroom – which contains exemplars, information, lessons, and opportunities for students to practice test questions with potential feedback.
 - d. Still awaiting information from Senior Administration and the Ministry on if the OSSLT will be administered as usual. If we get any updates then we will be sure to communicate that information to the school community.

5. Safe and Accepting Schools

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a. Coronavirus/Covid - 19 Update

- i. Public Health Nurse C. Snider has brought us an update from Feb. 27th – and more recent updates are out today – March 3, 2020.
- ii. The Durham Health Dept. is in regular communication with the DDSB.
- iii. Risk still low. Handwashing is a very important preventative measure.
- iv. Regional updates: <https://www.durham.ca/en/health-and-wellness/novel-coronavirus-update.aspx>
- v. For schools: <https://www.durham.ca/en/health-and-wellness/school-health.aspx#Information-for-the-school-community>
- vi. Durham Region Health Connection Line: 905-668-2020 or 1-800-841-2729 (M-F 8AM-8:30PM) Sat/Sun (10AM-6PM)

b. OSBIE Health & Safety Audit Walkabout

- i. Three times per year safety audits are done for every room in the school.
- ii. Staff are consulted as well as the walkthrough is performed.
- iii. Committee members participated in a brief walkthrough to experience an audit. We reviewed Transportation and Construction technologies, plus the Science Prep Room.

6. Adjournment and Action Items

A. Hartloff/L. Hayes

- a. None noted

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 2019 at 6:30 pm