# Minutes Sir Robert Borden High School Council March 8, 2011

A regular meeting of the Sir Robert Borden High School Council was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 19:00 hours in the library at Sir Robert Borden High School, 131 Greenbank Road, Ottawa.

Present: Alana Ali Christy Armstrong Joanie Asch (Secretary) Urvashi Biswal Neil Blacher Ema Chaudhuri Carolyn Eckersley (Chair) Ismail Elmi Kayla Estrin Stan Farber Barb Gage Bessie Giovanopoulos Sheryl Hamilton Robin McAteer Lionel Moser Laura Smith

### 1. Call to Order

Carolyn Eckersley called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Bessie Giovanopoulos, seconded by Neil Blacher, that the minutes of the November 9, 2010 and February 8, 2011 meetings be approved as amended. CARRIED.

#### 3. Student Report

Alana Ali reported that the dance scheduled for March 4 had been cancelled due to low ticket sales. The Environmental Club had also reported low sales of ticket to the Lady Gaga concert. The Jewish Culture Club was going to be making food baskets in March, and the Key Club would be selling daffodils for cancer after March Break.

Registration for Live It Up will be on the website after March Break.

A successful multicultural club assembly took place, and SRB has been asked to repeat this presentation at other schools.

#### 4. Principal's Report

Barb Gage advised that the preparation for the Grade 10 Literacy Test would take place on March 31. That day would be a compressed school day as the grade 9 students will be writing last year's literacy test as a practice test.

The senior band won gold at the regional music festival, which qualified them for Nationals in Ottawa, which they are deferring to next year.

The student survey will take place from April 18 through May 20, and it was noted that the results will help individual schools leverage funds.

29 workshops will be held during the Youth Power Conference.

# 5. Teachers' Report

The presentation made to students at the February assemblies was shown.

## 6. Non-Teaching Staff Report

Barb Gage reported that Chief Custodian Ed Taylor is on a 6-month training course for a promotional appointment, and that day supervisor would be retiring in 2 weeks.

### 7. Presentation: Robin McAteer

Robin McAteer presented the results of the 2009-2010 Grade 12 Data Management course survey, which was on Teaching and Learning.

## 8. Secondary Schools Meeting

Bessie Giovanopoulos reported that the McKinsey Report had ranked Ontario as the 8<sup>th</sup> top educational system in the world.

# 9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 21:10.

Minutes approved by:

Carolyn Eckersley ,Chair

Joanie Asch, Secretary