

Minutes

Sir Robert Borden High School Council

March 21, 2017

A regular meeting of the Sir Robert Borden High School Council was held on Tuesday, March 21st, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the library at Sir Robert Borden High School.

Present

Dagmawit Abraham
Jill Badgery
Michael Blakely (Teaching Staff Rep)
Kim Bruton (Teaching Staff Rep)
Katie Crombach (Vice-Principal)
Christine Gillanders
Torie Del Grosso
Tracey Graham (Western Area Review Rep)
Fartun Hussen
Ann McEachern
Annette Murray
Helen Norman
Samira Ouaz (Secretary)
Carmen Parsons (Co-Chair)
Heike Payne
Jen Poole
Maria Schnarr (OCASC Rep)
Wendy Verreault (Principal)
Josh Wolfsohn (Student Rep)

1. Call to Order

Carmen Parsons called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

2. Approval of Agenda

Unanimous Approval.

3. Approval of Minutes - January 17, 2017

Correction in January 17, 2017 minutes: add Heike Payne to list of attendees
Unanimous Approval.

4. Student Report - Joshua Wolfsohn Past and upcoming Events

'Midsummer Jersey' play on April 6-8
Assembly for Relay for Life during the day
Neon Fest party attracted around a hundred participants
The Outdoor program organized a camping event
Multicultural pot luck on April 21st.

5. Principal Report – Wendy Verreault

Current news

- Parent Teacher Interviews will be on Thursday March 30th (3:15 to 4:45, 5:30 to 7:30)
- Applications to be a Link leader next year have been received. Interviews to follow.
- Ottawa Public Health Immunization Policy and Suspension letters
- Guidance will start tracking graduating students who do not have 40 volunteer hours.

- SRB gives back to our Community – \$400 donated to Education Foundation for Toonie Tuesday from Student Council and Key Club.
- An Assembly is being planned by students for Holocaust Education on Wednesday, April 24th
- There is an on-going need for families to host International students.
- **Cross Boundary Transfers** - appeal process due to zero cap.
- **VP Katie Crombach:** Literacy and OSSLT prep is on track with many extra-help sessions for all students. The focus is on essential skills that will result in success for life and the OSSLT.
- **Prom letter** coming out with mid-term report cards.

Sports: We had OFSSA entries for wrestling, curling, cross-country skiing, and snowboarding.

Fine Arts: Play called “Midsummer/Jersey” - April 6, 7, 8, 2017 at 7 pm. Tickets on sale soon.

Western Area Accommodation Review update

- See maps for 7/8 area
- Additional ceiling projectors and whiteboards already ordered (No smart boards)
- New 7/8 Musical Instrument storage and band room
- Dedicated Science room (another Tech room available for some periods)
- Intermediate bathroom and staircase to outside
- Universal Washroom in Wellness Centre on Main Floor
- VP on same floor as students.
- All new Lockers
- New concrete pad and better layout for bikes
- Auditorium chairs refurbished and 4 safety banisters installed

Upcoming Events

March 23rd - Link Crew Scavenger Hunt & Key Club Movie Night
 March 30th - OSSLT & PT Interviews
 April 6 - 8th - Evening performances of Midsummer Jersey – starts at 7 pm
 April 12th - last day of Term 3
 April 14 -17th- Easter weekend
 April 21st - Multicultural Luncheon
 April 24th – Holocaust Education Assembly led by students period 4 at 12:30 PM
 April 26th - Report Card Marks issued at 3 PM in period 1class
 April 27th - STC Oscar Evening
 May 3rd - LAST day for students to drop a course
 May 5th - Relay for Life from noon to 10 PM
 May 11th - Coffeehouse
 May 13th - Music Council Garage Sale & BBQ
 May 25th - Grad breakfast and rehearsal for commencement. Cap and Gown fee is \$20
 June 1st - Music Concert starts at 7 PM
 June 6th - Athletic breakfast at 8 AM and Awards Ceremony at 9 AM
 June 20th - 23rd - Period 1,2,3,4 Final Exams
 June 30th - Commencement @ 10 am

6. Teaching Staff Report - Kim Bruton

SRB Music participating in Music Fest
 Presentation of Summative projects in Economics, Technology, and Chemistry
 May 5th: Relay for Life
Math is super cool and awesome
 AP on May 9th at 8:00 AM
 Computing tests in February
 Math contests in April

7. Western Area Review – Discussion

- Presentation of the school layout accommodating G7/8 students
- Removal and/or moving of the designated smoking areas

- New lockers to replace the oldest ones
- During renovation work, ceiling tiles with asbestos will be replaced
- During summer, all the areas in the upper ceiling will be reinforced with steel beams.
- Binders are available for public consultation
- Projectors will be installed in all classrooms
- An inclusive bathroom/wellness centre is planned
- Bike area will be renovated to double the bike capacity
- The chairs in the auditorium will be refurbished
- Library renovation is not part of the western area review
- Proposal to organize a memorial for Greenbank MS
- Transition team with schools principals will prepare the students for the transition
- Teachers and staff are free to move to SRB.

8. OCASC - Maria Schnarr

- Is there an Alumni association?
- We should have one as a means to organize fund raising
- What are the resources available for mental health in middle schools?
- LDH shared their experience with the 7-12 program: hours, older students coaching the younger ones,

9. Use of SRB Council Funds

- We have 2 microwaves and we need one more → **Unanimous approval by the assembly**
- Chromebooks: as many as the funds allow → **Unanimous approval by the assembly**

10. Financial Report – Wendy Verreault

No change from last report. The balance is \$ 1829.67

Sir Robert Borden High School
Bank of Nova Scotia
School Funds

Detailed Category Summary - Sorted by Category Name

Report #1

Summary for: School Council
Cat. #: 11000

Contact Person: Verreault, W.

Date	Transaction	Description	Debit	Credit	Tax Rebate	Cleared
10/06/2016	Deposit 481	log # 47		\$500.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10/07/2016	Cheque 19324	OCASC OCASC Membership	\$35.00			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Opening Balance: \$1,364.67 Category Balance: **\$1,829.67** **\$35.00** **\$500.00**

Grand Totals:

Opening Balances: \$1,364.67 Category Balances: **\$1,829.67** **\$35.00** **\$500.00**

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM
Next meeting: May 9th, 2017 at 7 PM.

Minutes approved by:

Monica Nevins, Chair

Samira Ouaz, Secretary