

Minutes

Sir Robert Borden High School Council

January 16, 2018

A regular meeting of the Sir Robert Borden High School Council was held on Tuesday, January 16th, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Library at Sir Robert Borden High School.

Present

Alison Harvey
Ann McEachern
Anna Krechmer
Annette Murray
Barbara Hall

Brenda Branchard (co-chair)
Carmen Parsons (co-chair)
Christina Gillanders (Vice Principal)
Dave Wright (OCASC)
Heike Payne
Helen Norman (OCASC)
Ismail Elmi
Jen Poole
Jennifer Sterne
John Unsworth

Julia Sanders (Teacher-Librarian)
Kathryn Ferris (Teaching Rep)
Lori Sops (Teaching Rep)
Lucas Zanetti (Student Rep)
Michael Blakely (Teaching Rep)
Mike Norman
Patti Grover
Samira Ouaaz (Secretary)
Sharon Creasey
Silvio Ostroscki
Stacey Elliot
Wendy Verreault (Principal)

1. Call to Order

Call to order at 7:00 PM by Carmen Parsons

2. Special Announcement

Grade 8 dance was successful last year and it would be good to have it this year even if there is no graduation

3. Motion to approve agenda

4. Motion to approve minutes

5. Student Report - Lucas filling for Caleb

- Casino night was held in December and makes money every year. There were 27 prizes, and total profit was \$1500.
- Waffle breakfast by Key Club.
- Relaxation week: PJ day, blanket day, animal day, etc.
- Coming up: coffee house, multicultural show, OCDSB got talent, etc.

6. Teaching Staff

Grades 9-12 – Blakely

- Math is awesome
- Math competition earlier this year

Grades 7-8

- Fundraiser in December
- January is a transition period for grade 8 going to grade 9
- Parent night to help in course selection
- Technology day for grade 7/8
- Science fair in March
- New IEP with new software; training is expected for teachers.

- Red Maple Reading Program is coming up with 27 students and all 50 books were out during the holiday period. Reading will extend until April and online voting is open to grades 7-10 students.
- Mini-enrichment courses will happen mid-February

7. Principal Report – Wendy Verreault

Current news:

- Library Learning Commons – LOVELY and almost finished!
- Ontario Teachers Insurance Plan - Teaching Awards March 31, 2018 - teachingawards.ca
- Pro Grant – info sheet distributed.
- Our students are generous. Check out the foyer sign “SRB gives to our Community ……”
 - School Clubs, Music Christmas Concert, Drama, Staff/Student Hockey = \$1329.64
 - SRB families donated cash, stocking items, gift certificates = \$ 710
 - Businesses donated gift certificates = \$456
 - Teachers delivered 7 generous food baskets, 2 holiday gifts, 2 gifts for 2 children to give their parents, 6 stockings for students and 5 gifts bags for students who are from families experiencing financial need (living in a shelter)
- The Key Club have contributed as well:
 - Waffle Breakfast raised \$512 to be donated to the SCAW (Sleeping Children Around the World Program) that provides bed kits to children in developing countries.
 - 3000+ cans for our local food bank (competing with Nepean HS).
 - Sleepout at Landsdown Park - \$2400 for the homeless shelters
- Ski and Snowboard Club has started. Dates are Jan 19, Feb 2, Feb 9, Feb 23. March date TBD
- Exams are at 9:30 am from January 25-30 inclusive. Textbooks are returned before exams.
- If there is a BOARD WIDE announcement for a snow day and buses are cancelled, then we “bump and slide” and use Wednesday January 31st. Sem 2 starts on Thursday, Feb 1st.
- Course Contracts will be distributed at SRB during the first week in February during Grade Assemblies for Grade 9 to 12. For Grade 8 students it will be Tuesday, January 23 @ 12:40 pm.
- Parent/Student Information Evening Thursday, January 25th 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Presentation in the Auditorium followed by a short tour of the High School classes and Areas.

Upcoming Events:

- Jan 18 – LINK event: Cookies and Cram AFTER school this Thurs for Grade 9 – exam prep.
- Jan 24 – The day before exams is a normal schedule with meaningful classes.
- Jan 25 – Grade 8 Info Night about Course Contracts for parents and students 6:00 - 7:30 pm
- Jan 25 to 30 – Exam Days and PA day (If there is a BOARD WIDE announcement for a snow day and buses are cancelled, then we “bump and slide” and use Wednesday January 31st. Sem 2 starts on Thursday, Feb 1st).
- Feb 8 – Grade 9-12 Report Cards issued @ 3 PM
- Feb 8 – All Star Jazz Band Concert at 7 PM
- Feb 9 – LINK event period 1
- Feb 14 – Grade 7/8 Report Cards issued
- Feb 15 – Full disclosure for high school student marks
- Feb 16 – PD day – no school for students
- Feb 19 – Family day – no school
- Feb 20 – Toonie Tuesday
- Feb 21 – Day of Pink
- Feb 23 – Black History Assembly for Grades 9-12 period 4

NOTE

- Chromebooks : \$4000 from GMS Account for 2016-17
- GMS Account cannot be closed until a cheque is cashed in (PRO Grant cheque returned to OCDSB). Wendy to investigate

8. Career Cruising Presentation

- Students can make their selections up to the lock in date.
- After that, they will need to call to make changes
- For students transferring to other schools, the school will receive notifications and the course selection will be transferred to the other school
- The website is run by another company
- There were questions about privacy

9. OCASC

- OCASC is in a state of flux and all the minutes are on the website
- JP to go to the G 7-8 & G 9-12 General Assembly
- In November, it was decided to split the G 7/8 and G 9-12 into 2 meetings
- We will need a backup for the G 9-12 assembly
- We will meet with the 2 co-chairs to decide on the next step

10. PRO Grant – Sharon Creasey

- Jennifer Laale can hold an interactive session for an hour and a half about how to build confidence and resilience in teenagers/parents.
- The talk will cost \$500
- She offers 3 workshops for students for an extra \$600 and a total of \$1100
- This program seems to be OK with PRO criteria.

Note

Can we make it as a workshop for grade 12 and another for staff?
Wendy to verify the schedule that night

Schedule – May 8th, the library commons has a capacity for 120 people

11. Other

- Movie Night January 18th for Grade 7-8
- PA works for Grade 7-8 and white boards are available with all the info
- There will be a Grade 7-8 music trip

12. Financial Report – Wendy Verreault

Current balance is \$4688.82

Summary for: School Council
 Cat. #: 11000

Contact Person: Verreault, W.

Date	Transaction	Description	Debit	Credit	Cleared
09/12/2017	Cheque 19753	OCASC OCASC Membership	\$35.00		<input type="checkbox"/>
10/05/2017	Deposit 526	log # 55		\$4,000.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10/27/2017	Deposit 529	log # 90		\$1,500.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/16/2017	Cheque 19838	O.C.D.S.B. Forest of Reading	\$653.82		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
01/05/2018	Cheque 19904	O.C.D.S.B. ASN 157SUP Re-imbusement of chromebooks & camers from GMS	\$4,000.00		<input type="checkbox"/>

Opening Balance: \$8.65 Category Balance: \$819.83 \$4,688.82 \$5,500.00

Grand Totals:

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13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned around 9:00 PM
Next meeting: March 20th, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Samira Ouaz, Secretary