

# Minutes

## Sir Robert Borden High School Council

### March 20, 2018

A regular meeting of the Sir Robert Borden High School Council was held on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Library at Sir Robert Borden High School.

#### Present

Ann McEachern  
Barbara Callaghan  
*Brenda Branchard (co-chair)*  
*Carmen Parsons (co-chair)*  
Christina Gillanders (*Vice Principal*)  
Cynthia Mar  
*Dave Wright (OCASC)*  
Emme Daglik  
Heike Payne

*Julia Sanders (Teacher-Librarian)*  
*Kathryn Ferris (Teaching Rep)*  
*Lori Sops (Teaching Rep)*  
*Michael Blakely (Teaching Rep)*  
*Maria Schnarr (Secretary)*  
*Samira Ouaaz (Secretary)*  
Sharon Creasey  
*Wendy Verreault (Principal)*

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#### 1. Call to Order

Call to order at 7:00 PM by Carmen Parsons

#### 2. Agenda approval

#### 3. Minutes Approval

#### 4. Gymnasium addition – Presentation

Questions & responses:

1. Spectators space not planned because maximizing gym space was a priority
2. There will be construction, construction vehicles during construction phase
3. Some areas will be off limits during that phase
4. Same number of portables as last year
5. No funding for furniture in the additional space
6. Ramp height can be accommodated

#### 5. PRO Grant – Sharon Creasy

Jennifer Laale is booked for May 8, 2018

Advertised in school councils such as Briargreen

Cost will be \$500 + HST with topic “Be Your Best” for Parents of Grades 7-12

Workshop for Grade 7 with 30-60 students

Advertisements in newsletter and Synrevoice

“Stand tall”: 2 workshops for G. 7-8 and G. 9-12 can accommodate up to 60 students

PRO grant for 2018-2019 : we could apply for 2 PRO grants.

Would be a good idea to have a Math related event but many ideas are floated.

#### 6. Teaching Staff

Grades 7-8

Sports/intramural are going well.

Red Maple Reading Program has 50 books

March 29 : dance night before PD day  
Web training for some teachers  
Monologue : March 24, with 23 students to perform monologues at 7 PM.  
Mini-enrichment  
Dental screening  
Immunization  
Grade 8 end of year trip at La Ronde on June 26<sup>th</sup>.  
Celebration ceremony for Grade 8 on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Grades 9-12 – Blakely**

Fishing club started before March break.  
Cross-curricular class about data management and social studies  
Computing competition on February

Math is awesome

**7. Student Report – Read by Wendy Verreault**

Since the last meeting, no student council run events have happened at the school. Currently, we are planning our next event, the Oscars, which will take place on May the 4th. This is one of the biggest events that we will plan throughout the school year. The Oscars is an award show where “Oscars” will be given to students who receive the most votes in a particular category. Some of these categories are: Best dressed, most likely to be a billionaire, modern day da Vinci, etc. Voting will take place in two stages. Firstly, at lunch student council members will be in the foyer where students can place votes on anyone in the school. Those who receive the most nominations will continue on to the next round of voting which will be by scantron in class. This event has been a huge success since coming back to Borden two years ago, and we’re looking forward to May.

Coffee house took place on March the 2nd. This was a talent show involving many different acts including singing, dancing and more with baked goods and coffee available outside the auditorium in the foyer. Coffee house was used as an audition for the board wide OCDSB’s got talent which is a talent show that will involve students from across the board. Three acts moved on to the next level.

There is also a musical called “The Lucky Stiff” which is running April 12th-14th. The show starts at 7pm the price of admission for students and seniors is \$10 and \$15 for adults.

**8. Principal Report – Wendy Verreault**

**Current news:**

Ottawa Public Health Immunization Policy and Suspension letters all completed in Feb. Progress reports issues this Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Includes form to make an interview with teacher.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> (3:15 to 4:45, 5:30 to 7:30)

Applications to be a Link leader next year coming soon. Interviews to follow on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Guidance will start tracking graduating students who do not have 40 volunteer hours.

SRB gives back to our Community – \$635 donated to Education Foundation for Toonie Tuesday from Student Council, OP Shop and collection from students.

An Assembly is being planned by students for Holocaust Education on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>  
There is an on-going need for families to host International students.

**Cross Boundary Transfers** - appeal process due to zero cap.

**VP John Unsworth:** 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 5 students go to OFSSA wrestling (1 student won GOLD!). Students went for Alpine and Nordic skiing. SRB won City Championships for Girls Tier 2 Hockey.

**Fine Arts:** Musical called "Lucky Stiff" - April 12, 13, 14, 2018 at 7 pm.  
Call the Main Office for Tickets. Adults \$15 and Students or Seniors \$10

### **Upcoming Events:**

- April 5<sup>th</sup> – PT Interviews (3:20 to 4:50, 5:30 to 7:30 pm)
- April 10<sup>th</sup> – OSSLT (217 students writing)
- April 12, 13, 14 – evening performances of Lucky Stiff – starts at 7 pm
- April 16<sup>th</sup> – last day of Term 3
- April 14 -17<sup>th</sup>- Easter weekend
- April 20<sup>th</sup> – Holocaust Education Assembly led by students during period 4 at 12:30 PM
- April 24<sup>th</sup> – LINK Interviews
- April 26<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards issued at 3 PM in their period 1 class
- May 4<sup>th</sup> – STC Oscar Evening
- May 4<sup>th</sup> – LAST day for students to drop a course
- May 12<sup>th</sup> – Music Council Garage Sale & BBQ
- May 15<sup>th</sup> – French and Calculus Advance Placement Exams – all day
- May 17<sup>th</sup> – Link Day – period 3 and 4
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> – SRB Music trip
- May 24<sup>th</sup> – Grad breakfast and rehearsal for commencement. Cap and Gown fee is \$20
- May 25<sup>th</sup> – Relay for Life from noon to 9 PM
- June 1<sup>st</sup> – Music Concert Garage Band starts at 7 PM
- June 5<sup>th</sup> – Athletic breakfast at 8 AM and Awards Ceremony starts at 8:45 AM
- June 20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> - Period 1,2,3,4 Final Exams
- June 29<sup>th</sup> – Commencement @ 10 am

### **Questions & answers:**

- Wendy to inquire about possibility for parents to meet the teachers early in the semester
- Math content was lost on website during recent OCDSB upgrade and Mr Blakely is working on recreating the content as it was lost in the process.
- The teachers are listed without a mention of their grade or topic taught. It would help parents if they could see what teachers teach.

## **9. Julia Sanders - School Librarian**

Library has been open for 2 months and it has never been over crowded and it all works great. Students know how to use the space.

- The grade mix works very well : respect and silence

Circulation numbers are off by a big margin with **3351 in 36 days!**

April 26 to May 6 : Hot Docs festival

7 out of 11 documentaries will be shown

200 CD's were selected and will be shown to Seniors during 1 of 4 periods

On average, we achieve 1400 views per year.

Fundraising Book Sale during Parent Interview from 3:00 to 8:00 PM

On average, brings around \$600

**12. Financial Report – Wendy Verreault**

Current balance is \$819.83

The \$4000 from Greenbank MS have been spent for chrome books and cameras

The GMS account can be closed now.

Sir Robert Borden High School  
Bank of Nova Scotia  
School Funds

Detailed Category Summary - Sorted by Category Name

Report

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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Opening Balance: \$8.65

Category Balance: \$819.83

\$4,688.82

\$5,500.00

Grand Totals:

Opening Balances: \$8.65

Category Balances: \$819.83

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**13. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned around 8:30 PM

**Next meeting: May 8<sup>h</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 PM.**

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Samira Ouaz, Secretary