BILL CROTHERS SECONDARY SCHOOL

School Council Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday June 6, 2016 @ 7 pm in the Lecture Hall

Attendance

Staff Members: Rose Walker, Meshell Lynch-James Teache

Teacher Rep: Sara Faulkner

Members: Noula Halikias-Mintsoulis, Lori Mater, Joanne Hall, Eden Winick, Charmaine Collins , Patty Gismondi, Susan Ebsworthy, Susan Cash, Jodi Connor, Marilyn Clark, Michelle Goldberg

Student Representatives: Austin Guests: NA Regrets: Lynn Smith-Vessio, Suzanne Sneek, Michelle Fraser, Sherene Chen-See, Therese Harris

Next Meeting: TBA

1.0 HOUSEKEEPING

- a) Noula welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their contributions to the meal. The pot luck was a great opportunity to chat and share a meal together.
- b) Approval of Minutes: approved by Lori Mater; seconded by Charmaine Collins

2.0 COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a) Student Council:
 - Elections for 2016/17 are underway, lots of great candidates 5 in total.
 - Mayfair: a great success again this year; 5% of vendor profits went to BCSC
 - Prom: Over 400 students were in attendance!
- b) Teachers' Report: Review of SIP or School Improvement Plan for 2016/17 school year. Three main pillars- 1. Math, 2. Mental Health and 3. Modern Learning. All areas were discussed in detail, the goal being to remain innovative, enhance systems already in place and have intervention where necessary. The full SIP will be available for all to review on the BCSS website.
- c) Numeracy is a key concern for the board going forward, especially in applied classes. A suggestion was made to use the website "Kahn Academy" to assist at home learning.

3.0 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- Rose Walker

- a) Instructional:
 - OSSLT Practice Test took place on May 10th; a few students missed this but will have an opportunity to do it in the new school year. From the test results staff can determine specific areas of concern; test results will not be shared.
- b) Recent Events:
 - 1. Molly Burke great presentation organized by the Billz Club girls! Very inspirational!
 - 2. Sweet Life Road Show grade 11 students participated in this workshop; the

goal was to make them better 'new' drivers.

- 3. Immunization Program: Complete
- 4. Arts Night: Again a great night with wonderful performances and a fantastic show of art and talent in our school.
- 5. Celebration of Life These T-shirts were designed to commemorate our fallen colts, Ben, Jaimie, Cassidy; some T-shirts are still available for purchase.
- 6. SNAP Tournament: a track meet for disabled students we are delighted to host this event; it was a great success!
- 7. OFSAA Rugby this year we hosted this event.

c) Operational:

- 1. eAttendance All teachers are now using this attendance tool which is also linked to teach assist. However it does not have the capability to report absences to parents.
- 2. Board Plan has been completed, and should be available on the board website by end of June.
- 3. New Athletic Director has been hired (earlier than expected) but has a great background and we are very excited to have him! Welcome Talal Shadry; congratulations to Kelly on her baby girl, who arrived early!

d) Awards & Celebrations:

- 1. Graduation: June 23rd. Initially, each family will be issued (2) tickets; once all have had an opportunity to pick up their tickets, more will be released for families requiring additional tickets. There has never been a problem getting everyone in.
- May 17th The school has scheduled a Memorial Event for Ben, Jaimie, and Cassidy, which will raise funds to support scholarships in the students' names. Shadow boxes have been created for each student and they will be unveiled during this event. The families are expected to attend.

Upcoming Dates:

June 9 & 10: Grade 9 EQAO

June 15-21: Exams

June 21st: Athletic Banquet, tickets will be available soon.

June 22nd: Exam Review Day - Please encourage your students to attend;

after this date, exams will be filed away and not available for review. June 23 & 24: PA day

Early July: Report cards will be ready for pickup at the school. New Uniform Pick-Up: Date is TBA

4.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/NEW BUSINESS/CONCERNS

- a) Parent Scoreboard: Can this be reformatted to be 'phone' user friendly?
- b) School Scoreboard: Proposal has been submitted to the board, and the project has gone to tender.
- c) Fundraising Committee looking for more volunteers