

Meeting Date: Monday April 9, 2018 @ 7 pm in the Lecture Hall

Attendance

Staff Members: Rose Walker, and Scot Angus

Regrets: Meshell Lynch- James, Andy Angus

Teacher Rep: Daraius Bharucha

Members: Lori Mater, Simone Elliott, Eden Winick, Marilyn Clark, Noura Halikias-Mintsoulis, Marcia Banfield Smith, Andrea Kalmin, Lynne Smith, Audrey Wega

Regrets: Maxine Eastmond, Patty Gismondi, Eric Issaev

Absent: Michelle Fraser, Sherry Hugh, JoAnne Wallace

Student Representative(s): Peter Popolis

Guests: n/a

Next Meetings: May 14, 2018 (Pot Luck) and June 11, 2018 @ 7:00 pm in Lecture Room

1.0 HOUSEKEEPING

- a) Lori welcomed all to the meeting and proceeded with an inclusion activity.
- b) Motion made to approve the agenda by Noura and seconded by Lynne. Motion passed.
- c) Approval of Minutes: motion made to approve the minutes by Eden. Seconded by Marcia. Motion passed.

2.0 COMMITTEE UPDATES: Student Leadership Council

1. Kids Help Phone Dodgeball Tournament – In March we held a dodgeball tournament for all grades and it was phenomenal. We ran a three-day tournament in which it was segregated into Junior and Senior divisions for lunch purposes, in which Wednesday, our common lunch, we held a finals day in which one of our senior teams won. The focus for this event was to treat everyone how you would like to be treated. We also emphasized the great effort the Kids Help Phone organization is contributing especially in our highly competitive society. The event was a hit; kids were going crazy and we in total raised \$435 for Kids Help Phone.
2. Valentine's Day – a small team of 4 members set up a candy gram as well as prize raffle, with all of the donations going to the POGO (Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario) charity, in which we raised \$350. We are extremely proud of these members.
3. Olympic Spirit Day – In February we held a spirit day to commemorate the Olympics with the idea of perpetuating our image as a healthy active athletic school and the love for our country. Students wore any Canadian apparel and jerseys as well as Canadian colours
4. Mayfair – Three weeks ago we elected our Mayfair Chairs, our senior chair is Grade 12 Caterina Gambino and our junior chair is Grade 10 Taylor Burton. Both of them will be leading our Mayfair initiative as we shift our focus from the previous years, we are choosing to cut the amount of funds that go towards inflatables to 3 main inflatables and are gearing the idea of a sport orientated carnival. We are looking to create a healthy active living idea behind the event with the purpose to

preserve the values of our school. Both our chairs, as well as our core committee have a mix of veteran leadership with aspiring BCLC leaders who will make sure everything runs smoothly at Mayfair.

5 BCLC Elections Grade Reps Co-Presidents – My days apart of BCLC are coming to a close as we are pleased to announce that our elections for Grade Representatives and Co-Presidents will be occurring in Mid-May. An info meeting was held today and I am confident that we will have a great group of BCLC leaders who will carry the torch next year.

6. Humboldt Broncos Tribute / Pride Week – We have teamed up with the GSA to support, fund and help run their events that our happening this week. Our group members and I believe that as a sports school, we know what it feels like to have that close, team-like environment, and today we wanted to pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the tragedy involving the Humboldt Broncos. We prepared an announcement and held a moment of silence to honour them. On Monday April 16th, we are holding a BCSS sport jersey day in which all members may wear their BCSS jersey to honour them, as we stand united, grateful for our teams, families, and coaches that commit to us.

The council this year has been phenomenal, Ms Gillies and I at the beginning of the year had spoke about the flaws of last year and a major issue that arose was that it was the same senior leaders that took initiatives. This year, we have had a wide array of leaders, with grade 10 leading our dodgeball tournament. We have been able to develop our younger grade members to prepare them to be very effective once they enter the senior roles.

3.0 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Rose Walker/Scot Angus

Instructional

- Course Selection/Verification process – completed course selection & pathways for next year
- Modern Learning Project – Part 2 for Grade 9's will start April 16th – we teamed up with “Smart Cities Canada” a government initiative for having a direct impact on the community
- Post-Secondary Athlete Night – held April 5th. Provided information for student athletes to find pathways to continue as an athlete in the post secondary environment. Ryerson presented a presentation geared towards BCSS grads excelling at university. It was very well received with numerous BCSS alumni profiled in their presentation.

Events/Activities

- Black History Month Events – weekly events held – ROM visit; viewing of “Black Panther” movie; fundraisers; guest speaker presentation “poetry slam” on being proud of yourselves; Herb Carnegie’s daughter spoke as well; and a dance instructor provided afro-centric dance styles lessons during lunch.
- Equity Week activities – Mon. April 9th = Photo Booth and Lollipop day. Tues = Literacy Day for Grade 10's. Wed = Pink shirt day for anti bullying and support of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community; Thurs. = Guest speaker Rhythmic Gymnastics Olympian Rosie Cossar and a day of silence to show support for those who experience oppression. Friday = rainbow/colourful shirt day
- World badminton championships – coming in Nov. 2018 at Pan AM center. BCSS was asked to be involved as part of the local community. BCSS has partnered with them to take part in the events on the weekend it is being held. Proud to be associated with this initiative

Operational

- Lockdown Drill – one more left for this year. It is intended to have greater awareness around intruder during non classroom times and how to communicate what to do during this time frame so students know what to do for safe exit/lockdown
- 2018-2019 Timetable changes:
Daily timetable (except Wednesday)
Period 1 (8:45-9:44) - Academic
Period 2 (9:50-10:49)- Academic
Lunch/ILIP (10:55-11:54)-Lunch (gr 9/10)/ILIP (gr 11/12)
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Period 4 (12:54-1:53) – Academic
Period 5 (1:59-2:58) – Academic

Wednesday Timetable (Remains the same)

Meeting 8:30 – 9:45
Period 1 10:00 – 11:00
Period 2 11:05 – 12:05
Lunch 3 12:05 - 12:55
Period 4 12:55 – 1:55
Period 5 2:00-3:00

Upcoming Dates:

- May 3rd – Arts Night – regular arts night being held
- May 7th – Band Concert/10th anniversary kickoff – concert being held offsite at a church with an Encore Band. This will be an intergenerational band performance with both students and the seniors in the Encore Band. Bill Hogarth & Bill Crothers will be attending
- May 10th – Prom – should be a great event from 6 to 10:30pm at York Mills Gallery.

Other

- Tragic events – with the unfortunate occurrence of many tragic events lately (e.g. Humboldt Broncos bus tragedy and last months double murder of a young hockey player and family) they highlight and make us acutely aware of the small knit sports community. We as a school community are doing our part to support our student athletes during these tragic times. In addition, a tribute will be held on Thurs April 12th for the late Arianna Campbell, who passed away last year in her grade 12 year. The event will be a “buy-in” and all students are asked to donate a minimum of a toonie to participate. The event will include a short presentation, and a shadow box will be raised in her honour. There will be an address to Arianna’s family, followed by a staff versus student soccer game, which was Arianna’s primary sport. All students are asked to wear a BCSS red shirt or sweatshirt. The funds collected will be used for a charity donation in support of Mental Wellness as well as to support the creation of a serenity garden at BCSS. Following the event, fundraising t-shirts will be made available through Cash Online.
- Multi Year Plan Consultations - a team from BCSS is going to Markville HS later this month to discuss and plan

4.0 TEACHER'S REPORT- Daraius Bharucha

- Parents' Night – March 1st – positive event but not as well attended as previous parents' night
- National History Award Recipients – team of 7 BCSS students participated – 3 students received Government of Canada National history award. Congratulations!
- Celebrating Student Success Awards –York Region District School Board recognition as a model student – 2 BCCS students have been honoured. Congratulations!

5.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/NEW BUSINESS/CONCERNS

- a) May 7th band concert – volunteers needed. Sign up sheet and information was handed out
- b) Parent Symposium – held April 4th – 5 BCSS school council members attended. Very informative especially on use of technology in the classroom. Also, the importance of parent voices and feedback. The board is gathering information from these sessions and conducting other community feedback sessions with marginalized groups.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Noura; seconded by Eden.

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The last meeting of this school year will be held on June 11th at 7PM in the lecture Hall