

## BILL CROTHERS SECONDARY SCHOOL

### School Council Minutes

Meeting Date: **Monday June 10, 2019 @ 7:00 pm** in the Lecture Hall

#### Attendance

**Staff Members:** Meshell Lynch- James, Scot Angus, Laura Hogan, Mark Melnyk

**Teacher Rep:** Daraius Bharucha

**Members:** Lori Mater, Eden Winick, Marilyn Clark, Noula Halikias-Mintsoulis, Simone Elliott, John Bertie, Audrey Wega, Laura Pino, Maxine Eastmond, Eric Issaev, Lynne Smith, Trena Finnegan, Kim Lennon, Ingrid Harris, Ashani Weeransinghe, Marcia Banfield Smith

**Regrets:** Jo-Anne Wallace, Sherry Hugh, Marisa Byers

**Absent:** Patty Gismondi

**Student Representatives:** Goudam Sood, Kristin Papaconstantinou, Izzy Page, Madelyn Grossi

**Guests:** None

**\*\*Next Meeting:** Monday Sept. 16, 2019 @ 7:00 pm in Lecture Hall

#### 1.0 HOUSEKEEPING

- Eden shared the Land Acknowledgment
- Lori welcomed all to the meeting and lead an inclusion activity
- Approval of agenda: motion made to approve the agenda Eden and seconded by Noula. Motion passed.
- Approval of Minutes: motion made to approve the minutes by Lynne Seconded by Laura. Motion passed.

#### 2.0 COMMITTEE UPDATES: Student Leadership Council

- Introductions of the new co-chairs: Izzy Page and Madelyn. They are excited to work on their new ideas in the new school year.
- Thanks from existing co-chairs, Kristin and Goudam, to the parent council. They enjoyed working together and thought it was good to have both councils work and communicate well together.
- Right to Play Day - May 24<sup>th</sup>- for incoming Grade 8's students - games and orientation (note: Right to Play is a charity for sports based programs for under privileged children in countries around the world).
- Mayfair - the afternoon of May 24<sup>th</sup> - for entire school with games, food trucks, and bouncy castles. Great attendance. Teacher's children were participated after school ended

- Athletic Banquet - Tues June 18<sup>th</sup>. It is being held at the school this year. The different format will be more casual, shorter Award presentation, etc... There will be games such as bubble soccer, mechanical bull etc. The keynote speaker will be a high-end soccer player.

### 3.0 TEACHER'S REPORT- Mr. Daraius Bharucha

- It is the end of school year crunch time which presents time challenges for marking and completing report cards.
- Teachers would appreciate parents encouragement for students to complete assignments and study
- Go Raptors Go!

### 4.0 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Meshell Lynch- James

#### 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- It was a huge success! The weather was perfect! Very well attended. Feedback was amazing.
- The video message from the Mayor will be shared on the Scoreboard.
- Bill Crothers, Bill Hogarth, and Becky Green participated in a Founders Panel Discussion which was well received.
- The time capsule from 10 years ago was opened. Bill Crothers' letter was inside with his hopes and dreams for the school. He has been asked to write another letter for the next decade.
- The installation of the giant outdoor Scoreboard was announced.
- BIG shout out to all the teachers, staff and administration that helped make this day to be such a success. Volunteers were amazing.
- Alumni emails were collected which will be used for events going forward.

#### May

- 16-17<sup>th</sup> - YRAA Track and Field Championships. Also, big accomplishment for Lacrosse and Rugby teams.
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Right to Play Day and Mayfair
- 28<sup>th</sup> - Graduation Assembly - protocol reviewed. Video shown for how to act and behave.
- 30<sup>th</sup> - SNAP Track and Field Meet - event for Community class students. BCSS students were very welcoming and cheering for these students. Many compliments were received from other schools

#### June

- 6<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> - EQAO Math (gr 9) - completed without a hitch
- 8<sup>th</sup> - The 10th Anniversary Celebration 11am - 3pm - see comments above
- 11<sup>th</sup> - Grade 12 Exams start
- 12<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> - Exams (all grades)
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Athletic Banquet (at BCSS as an outdoor BBQ & Games. Awards inside)

- 19<sup>th</sup> - Exam Review Day - modified schedule. Important for students to come and review exam and calculation of marks. Exams are then put in storage and then very hard to review
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Graduation Day
- 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> - PA Day

### **August**

- 6<sup>th</sup> - PA Day (staff only)
- 7<sup>th</sup> - Grade 9 Orientation Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> - First Day of School (Grades 10-12)

A very BIG thank-you to parents!

<h3><b>5.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/NEW BUSINESS/CONCERNS</b></h3>
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- Next year's school council - Lori asked parents in attendance to consider joining the executive for next year. You can take on a role once you have been on council for one year. There will be openings next year as a few parents have their children graduating this year.
- It was discussed that school council may want to start meetings next year at 6:30pm vs 7:00pm. It will be put forward year for discussion.

**Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Simone, seconded by Noula.**

### **Key upcoming dates:**

**First School Council meeting in the new school year:**

- **Monday, Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019**