

MEETING MINUTES

HURON HEIGHTS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Date: January 20, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Meeting called to order by: Rose Walker, Interim Principal

IN ATTENDANCE

Rose (Principal), Alex (Vice-principal), Nicole (Co-chair), Sarah (Co-Chair), Anne (Acting Secretary), Heath (Staff Rep), Ulrike, Rino, Julie, Patrick

REPORTS

	Student Council Report	
		Due to exams, there was no student report.
		There is discussion of there being a dance in the cafeteria at some point after March break
	Staff Report – Heath Weir	
		Heath reported that all is good on the staff side of things, that staff is looking forward to start of the next semester.
	Principal's Report – Rose Walker/Alexandra Wright	
	Schedule	Brief explanation of upcoming exam and schoolday schedule over the next couple of weeks.
	Extension for Attendance	Note that the extension for reporting attendance by parent/guardian is 515, not 183 (as it has also been in the past)
	Safe Schools Assemblies	February 5-6

	Report Cards	sent out through shared GAPPs accounts during the week of Feb 10/25
	Course Selection/Guidance Visits/Academic dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course selections and guidance visits for the following year will be available through Pathways during the week of Feb 10-14 • Course change cut-off for this upcoming 2nd semester is the 1st week of the semester – February 7th • Those in SHSM will have time during exam period to discuss goals with guidance • Summer school will be available to choose through Blueprint in March/April (18 days in the summer) • Interim reports will be out March 21st • There will be a parent night some time in March, not sure of the date yet.
ACTION: Will include something in bulletin to call for food to stock HH Food Pantry	Update on FoodBank York Region and kids in need at HH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not picking up food anymore from the school or delivering to the school. Hoping to get it back up and running but difficult. • We have to rely on families and school community to contribute to food bank. • There are about 40 families through HHSS that are in need • We have a freezer but should find a fridge that we could use to store perishables. And then find a place to put it – electrical accommodation must be made, storage space is always an issue. • Teachers Newman and Kendall are the drivers on this • suggestion for using the app "Too Good to Go" • suggestion to collect donation coupons (from Salvation Army or Value Village for example) • idea was put forward about having a thrift shop in the school, although it is peoplehours heavy, it could also be a source for volunteer hours for students to sort and launder clothes? • Washer and dryer set would also be great but again, problem with space and suitable electrical outlet
	Mental Health Week in May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • this will include digital literacy and responsibility • speaker Jennifer Casa-Todd has been booked for May 1st: www.jcasatodd.com • resources during lunchtimes • activities (lawn games, Inside Out viewing, wellness organizations, public health, RMT, acupuncture, mindfulness, etc.) • students can sign up to volunteer • see PRO Grant entry below

	HPA	brief sidenote that a co-op is available for High Performance Athletes who qualify, though there have been some changes to the program and courses
	School Council Report – Nicole and Sarah	
	PRO Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • discussion of what PRO Grant can be used for • \$800 for community building and involvement • could include a guest speaker • application due March/April and must happen this same school year • discussion that this could all be put together with Jen Casa-Todd's speaking night on May 1st – a series of booths supporting different things happening at HHSS for elementary schools to visit, a school fair with events, food trucks, etc.
	Teacher Appreciation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will happen later in Semester 2 and perhaps another one at the end of the Semester • it was suggested that one may be enough

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Monday March 24th, 7pm, Library

Meeting was adjourned 8:10PM