

**Keswick High School Council
Meeting Minutes of Monday, January 23, 2023**

Location	Hybrid	COMMENCE	7:00 pm	ADJOURN	8:51 pm
ATTENDANCE					
Candice Mott, Principal	<i>Present</i>	Lael Croft, Student Council	<i>Present</i>		
Casey Daleman, Vice Principal	<i>Present</i>	Robyn Caldwell, Treasurer	<i>Present</i>		
Kelley Demers, Vice Principal	<i>Present</i>	Corinne D'Angelo, Secretary	<i>Present</i>		
Spencer Ward, Guidance Head	<i>Present</i>	Ann Marie Pritchard	<i>Present</i>		
Chris Cluff, Teacher	<i>Present</i>	Shelley Grieve	<i>Present</i>		
Various parents in the room					

ITEM	DISCUSSION	PRESENTED BY:
Welcome & Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land Acknowledgement and Introductions • Local issue brought to the school was to reduce phosphorous by 55% in Lake Simcoe; reduction of oxygen in the water creates an increase of algae that is bad for aquatic life. • Challenge to all curriculum on how to implement this learning in school. 	Candice Mott
Student Council Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School dance had 130 participants – very successful! • Many spirit days planned for the last week of school prior to the holiday like Sports Monday, Twin Tuesday, Anything but a Backpack, and Holiday Thursday. • PJ Day rescheduled to the last day before exams – January 25th. • Follow the Student Council Instagram page @khsstudentcouncil • What do we hope to accomplish next? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Spirit day in February ○ Candy Grams! ○ Possible food drive ○ Hoping to collaborate with another club 	Lael Croft
Teacher Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARTS: new Arts Council shirts have been made • Fine Arts Showcase rescheduled to February 9th. • Art Show rescheduled to January 24th. • Grade 8 Information Night: Open rehearsal for Music program and Music Council information table • Many teachers have Instagram pages where they share their school happenings, check out Mr. Su as he posts regularly. • The Environmental Council – “Don’t Trash Tech!” Campaign upcoming 	Chris Cluff

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<p>Teacher Report Continued</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math Help is available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at lunch as well as Tuesday before school and Thursday after school. • Check with Kristie.miller@yrdsb.ca for details regarding EQAO and upcoming math contests. • Sports at KHS also have an Instagram page. • Charity hockey intramural in December raised funds for the KHS Athletic program, 140 students came to watch the Bandits win! • Indigenous Student Study Center with Victoria Raymer – students who identify as Indigenous are given academic support, spiritual support, and cultural support; some students made moccasins they wore to their graduation to signify “walking a new path.” 	
<p>Principal Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Important upcoming dates (see slides) • EQAO – all done online; if it benefits the student’s grades, up to 5% will be added to the course grade. • Grades made up of 70% course work and 30% exam or 30% culminating, or a combination of both. • Course work ended on the 17th of January and work on culmination project or exam preparedness from the January 18th on. • Literary tests have taken place for grade 10s, and can be taken any time in grades 10, 11 or 12; this is a graduation requirement. • Ontario Student Record or OSR contains all report cards since kindergarten, IEPs, psych reports, etc., and includes school pictures. • In the event of an inclement weather event, and buses are cancelled, the school will remain open. If Board declares an Extreme Weather Day then schools will be closed. • Focus statements (slide) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Growth mindset 2. Social teaching 3. Local issues and making them authentic and inclusive. • Breakfast Program happening daily and available to everyone. • Some families find it difficult to get to the Food Pantry in Sutton, KHS has become a grocery pick up location and serves about 40 families weekly. • Building upgrades – new benches in front foyer, new vending machines in cafeteria, accessible door to main office. • No summer school at KHS this year as a new fire alarm system is going in. • YRDSB on Spotify – “Tune In YRDSB” monthly 	<p>Candice Mott</p>

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Treasurer Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carried over \$500 unused from 2021-22 and received another \$500 for this school year, so \$1,000 available to us. • Will inquire regarding staff needs? Reach out to Student Council and other committees to find out needs. • Council will support Timbits and coffee for Teacher Appreciation Week (February 5-11, 2023) • Possible to receive a PROgrant of roughly \$800 for a guest speaker, to be decided next meeting. 	Robyn Caldwell
Guidance Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two handouts have been provided to all grades 9, 10 and 11 students – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pathways Planning at KHS and 2. 2023-2024 Course Selection Guide. • See Slide for important course selection dates! • Course Selection process – my Pathway Planner AKA myBlueprint explained with dates for submission. • Co-op Education – offered to grade 11 and 12 students, provides an opportunity to work and collect credits in career of interest. • Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP) – a school to work program for grades 11 and 12 students. • Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) – two-year program in Business and Transportation/Technology offered at KHS. • College Delivered Dual Credit Program - grade 11 and 12 students can take college course that count towards OSSD. • Credit Recovery – for students that have completed a course but have been unsuccessful in attaining the credit, offered through day or summer school. 	Spencer Ward
Council Roles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair/Co-Chair: call and chairs meetings, sets agenda, works collaboratively with members to assign duties. • Vice-Chair: support and assists the Chair. • Treasurer: Manages finances, reports monthly on accounts. • Secretary: Prepares agendas and takes minutes • Members: Participate and encourage participation <p>Current Membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair/Co-Chair: open ○ Vice-Chair: open ○ Treasurer: Robyn Caldwell ○ Secretary: Corinne D’Angelo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always looking for council members, but especially would like to fill the chair and co-chair roles. No interest expressed at this time for open positions. 	Candice Mott

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Priorities for the School Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In June there is an annual report that we share how we attempt to do the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Support parent, family, and community involvement and engagement. ○ Work towards building a positive school environment and an equitable and inclusive school community. ○ Celebrate achievements of students, schools, and the community ○ Provide additional support and training, or ○ Raise funds for the school. 	Candice Mott
Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No penalty to opt-out of online learning component. • For bussing, if you live more than 3.2 kms “as the crow flies,” from the school and there is no YRT bus route, then you can get bussing through the school. 	Open Forum
Future Meeting Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 20, 2023 – Graduation and Prom, Further discussion around Funds, School Council Forum Recap • May 15, 2023 – OSAP, financing post secondary • School Council Forum – February 13th, 2023, at SDHS from 5:30-8:00 pm; Robyn, Shelly and Corinne will attend along with administration. 	