

King City SS School Council Minutes

2013 October 28

Present: David Cooper, Jim Streb, Liane Torelli, Chris Lee, Natalie Wall, Patti McLaren, Effie Kastris, Susy Payne, Anna Cunneyworth, Betsy Lawson, Hendnika Ono, Karen Wright, Lisa lafrate
Administrative Representatives: Tod Dungey, Linda DiMarco, David Bocknek

Regrets: Peggy Tighe, Cindy DiCarlo

Agenda Item	Discussion	Notes
Welcome Intro's & Approval of Last Meeting Minutes	<p>David Cooper, Jim Streb</p> <p>Introductions Declarations of conflicts Approval of agenda</p> <p>Review and approval of previous meetings minutes;</p> <p>Any business arising from previous minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> David and Jim welcomed everyone Agenda was shared (additional hard copies provided) Minutes from Sept 2013 SC mtg approved - Susy Payne & David Bocknek Jim identified that the Principals' profile was a carry-over from the last meeting
Overview of Math Department and EQAO results	<p>Presentation by Sue Berdine, Math Subject Head</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EQAO results for 2012-2013 Applied math - stronger semester 1 than 2, 52% reaching level 3\4. Academic Math - 1st & 2nd semester were fairly even in terms of overall results. Generally, 11-12% variance from female lagging behind males, however much higher % of boys in applied. Next Steps: Review Released Materials & identify concerns by strands. Review best instructional practices for expectations. Identify students at risk early in the semester and devise an action plan. Discuss overall trend of data with YRDSB Consultant, Sean Perry and create an action plan. Formulate relevant goals for our School Improvement Plan <p>Q: Help us to understand the process of the coordinate of the diff courses & teachers?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review teachers background experience, and qualifications in specific areas of math Some staff teach in both math and other departments – have to manage this with their other teaching requirements Master TT is created and SH places teachers into specific

		<p>courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Match a teacher with higher grade course & lower grade courses. • If they have a computer background they are considered effective teachers for Gr12 Data Mgmt or College math. • One lead teacher in section to coordinate other teachers doing the same course to organize timelines, dept. objectives. • Dept puts together a math booklet in June planning time - reviews the processes of math dept & review rubrics for category & assessment. • There is flexibility of how teachers deliver the course material as the Ministry Course Expectations are the only mandated aspect of what is to be taught – how teachers teach their particular classes are based on student learning needs. <p>Q: How do you feel your dept supports the students to transition beyond SS?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handout was shared • Description of levels of math courses for grade 9 • Pathways for courses in pamphlet – leading to workplace, college of university math options • Teachers talk about various math pathways and career options based on math selections
Student Council Report	Natalie Wall (School Council Rep.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busy with Semi Prep. 250-300 tickets @\$55. Paris is the theme, to be held at Le Jardin banquet hall Nov. 14th • Black & Orange Day this Wed. • Picking gr 9 rep's, assembly Friday morning, then have exec meeting next week. • Selling KCSS Blankets, \$25 at lunch - Minimal profit for fundraising.
Teacher Report	David Bocknek, Teacher Rep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent night went well. • Roc King also had a great response by the participants. • Awards Assembly Nov 7 10 am -11:15 - we will ensure this gets put on the e-bulletin
Co-Chair Report	David Cooper, Jim Streb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of Constitution - Ria Ono & Betsy Lawson will form the sub-committee to research idea's\changes to bring forth to council to update our constitution documentation. • Discussion of School Council Forum-Oct 23\13 at Alexander Mackenzie SS. 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Seminars, one for new council members and one from Gillian Barker, Family Services (speaker we have hosted at KCSS regarding Mental Health), recognizing signs and resources to deal with situations.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Large attendance but setup was not effective for interaction as the noise level was very high. • Discussed Admin Profile, adding comments and emailing to co-chairs
PRO Grant Update	Liane Torelli, Chris Lee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking for input\additional participants with interest in assisting in the running of the main Pro Grant Event as well as the free parent\teen seminars offered in the past. • We will review past evaluations to get idea's for topics and survey the current email addresses. • Susy Payne will support the sub committee, thank you!! • Currently attending pro grants at other schools to review speakers and left a message for Yvonne Kelly, Community Service rep for speakers for the parent\teen seminars.
Administration Report	Tod Dungey, Linda DiMarco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library air quality issue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Glue holding down carpet is emitting an odour. ○ Mon. Dec 16 they will replace the carpet to a tile floor. ○ Jan 6, hoping library will re-open. ○ Tod to send a message in the E-Bulletin to all parents • Principal's Profile: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Started to review at last meeting, continue working on it tonight. • KCSS Family of Schools Council meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ November 4 here at KCSS in MPR ○ Topics for break-out sessions include Transition into high school, Pro Grants & Fundraising. ○ Jim & David to present their input as parents in the transition Into HS session. • School Calendar/Upcoming events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Remembrance Day Assembly with Drama presentation, ○ Dec 20, P.A. Day - no teachers at school, only admin.
<p>Thank you for your Interest in School Council this year</p>		