



# KING CITY

## Secondary School

### King City Secondary School Council – Minutes of Meeting

October 16th, 2019

7:00 pm – K.C.S.S. Library

#### In attendance:

**Joseph D'Amico** - Principal  
**David Bocknek** - Teacher Representative  
**Lea Littlejohn** - Library Head  
**Mojgan Faghani** - Math Head  
**Kiran Boparai** - Co-Chair  
**Rosanna Stallard** - Secretary  
**Kevin Feng & Dante Tempesta**  
- Student Council Representatives  
**Franca Forte, Arlene Wheeler**  
& **Colleen Carlisle** - Parent Members

#### Regrets:

Luisa Gale  
Harpal Panesar  
V.P. Pina Viscomi  
V.P. Tim Wesson

#### 1. Welcome

**K. Boparai**

- The meeting was called to order at 7.01pm
- Agenda was tabled for approval. Agenda approved by R. Stallard and seconded by D. Bocknek.
- Declaration of any conflicts of interest - No declared conflicts.
- The minutes of the September 2018 meeting were tabled for approval. Minutes approved by K. Boparai and seconded by L. Littlejohn.

#### 2. Student Council Report

**K. Feng/D. Tempesta**

- During lunch advertised student council positions to each grade. Applications require 3 student and 1 teacher recommendation. Applications were reviewed by teachers and executive members of student council. Chosen were 4 from grade 9 and 2 per grade from grades 10-12.
- Halloween Spirit Day – decorate foyer and hold costume party at lunch.
- Semi- Formal to be held on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>, start advertising Friday October 18<sup>th</sup>. Theme will be 70's Rhapsody. Tickets are \$60 and will go on sale from October 28<sup>th</sup> until November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- R. Stallard asked if a parent council member had ever attended a student council meeting, they have not. Students meet every week during lunch.

### 3. Teacher Report

D. Bocknek

- School sports teams up and running: Soccer, Cross Country, Girls Basketball.
- Purple Spirit Day October 17<sup>th</sup> for LGBTQ.
- Awards ceremony October 18<sup>th</sup> for Honour Roll, competition and specific subject students.
- Parent/Teacher Interview night & Art Show will be October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Photo Retakes complete to ensure all students have student ID card.

### 4. EQAO Report

M. Faghani

- M. Faghani (Head of Math) highlighted the Grade 9 EQAO results from the 2018-19 school year.
- The results show that on an applied level the school is above both the board and the provincial standard, however, on an academic level the school is below the board but still above the provincial level.
- These positive results stem from a review of data from 2 to 3 years ago. That data showed students had a problem coming in to grade 9 from Elementary school. This led to changes being implemented at the feeder school level with grade 7 and 8 teachers. By working with feeder schools and outlining the grade 9 curriculum positive results can be seen and the gap between grade 8 and 9 is beginning to close.
- Full EQAO results can be found at:  
<https://eqaoweb.eqao.com/eqaoweborgprofile/Download.aspx?rptType=PBS&Mident=919586&YEAR=2019&assessmentType=9&orgType=S&nF=8I0L7T0VAYFPkNpuawtklxc8AJGHHVW8V6j~plus~5gEMqg0=&displayLanguage=E>

### 5. Co-Chair Report

K. Boparai

- Principal Profile discussed. Outline already submitted to parent council members to review. Members to update and submit to board.
- Graduation venue discussed since current setup for space and food costs the school \$10,000 more than that collected. 2020 venue already locked in (Le Jardin), however, looking for venue ideas for 2021 that would host 1200 people (without food). Suggestions: Arena, Other larger gyms, Church, Eaton Hall, Theatre (Bathurst/407), Golf Course – other ideas welcomed.

### 6. Principal's Report

J. D'Amico

#### EQAO

Report from staff – as above

#### Case of Distinction

Ceremony was held on September 28 and the following alumni were inducted:

Dr. Janet Smylie (class of '86),

- An expert on Indigenous women's health who is currently at Women's College Hospital in Toronto.

Paul Willoughby (class of '70)

- From Milton, ON who has been actively involved, and received awards, in all aspects of local history and community heritage.

Professor Hans Hansen (class of '67)

- Chairman of the Philosophy Dep't at the University of Windsor

Tom Ellison (class of '64)

- A former teacher at King City SS from 1971 – 2000 and active member of the alumni association.

### **ROC King**

ROC King took place on October 2 -3 at Camp Wanakita and in school for those not attending the overnight camp. Both events went very well and we had many parents provide positive feedback. We are grateful to the work that our teachers and student mentors put in to help make the trip a success.

### **Awards Assemblies**

We will be holding our Awards assembly on October 18<sup>th</sup> to celebrate our students who have been recognized on the Honour Roll or through other academic achievements.

### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Parent Teacher interviews will take place on October 24 and parents can sign up for times through Edsby.

### **Upcoming Dates**

#### October

18 Awards Assembly  
21 PA day  
23-24 ON College Fair  
24 Art Show  
24 Teacher Interview Night  
24 Post-Sec Planning  
Workshop

#### November

6 Take our Kids to Work Day  
6 Grade 8 visits to High School  
7 Start of term 2  
11 Remembrance Day  
14 Semi-Formal  
18 Mid-term reports go home  
20 Canadian Math Contest

#### 20School Council Meeting

25-29 Grad Photos  
28 Grade 8 open House

#### December

2-4 Grad Photos  
5 Music Night - Winter Concert

## **7. Other Business**

- Question: C. Carlisle lives in school area and notes seeing students outside school vaping. Asks if anyone is checking back pathway and what being done if student appears stoned in class. D. Tempesta states it is one bad group. Principal D'Amico reiterates in school policies and procedures for handling students.

## **8. Meeting Adjournment**

- Confirmation that next meeting is Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm by R. Stallard and D. Bocknek

*Minutes recorded by Rosanna Stallard. Should anyone find any errors or omissions, please advise so corrections can be made.*

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