

Markville Secondary School Council

Participants: **Admin team:** Stephen Bewcyk (Principal), Paull Simmons (Vice-Principal)
Parents: Annie Cai, Joyce Chan, Sharda Still, Lee Carwana, Eric Wan, Lisa Henshall, Mary Lue Coote

DRAFT Minutes

Wednesday April 16th, 2014
7:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. Library

Welcome & Introductions	Annie
Approval of previous meeting minutes	Sharda, Annie

Student Council Report (Steve)

1. Students are looking at converting water fountains into drinking bottle stations
2. SAC Attack – planning another outdoor activity - blow up castles etc for June 6th
3. Planning talent show – May 30th – 5th period buy in

Council Report (Annie)

1. New standardized school website is up and running
 - School council link has been updated
2. Teachers Wish list discussed – Approx \$5K in requests were submitted. Admin will make the final decision on the distribution of school council funds. The hope is to have as many request as possible jointly funded by the Capital Budget and School Council Funds. Some of the requests are as follows:
 - Library / green screen / 2 benches
 - Alt Ed / bus tickets for students under the age of 16 to get to work placements
 - Alt Ed / additional funds for scholarships
 - Spec Ed / funding to help those in shelters with their post secondary application process
 - Phys Ed / ipad so they can access specific software for health/fitness
 - Mobile Museum in honour of Black History Month / done
 - Anti Bullying Workshop / aimed at grade 10 students
 - \$250 max will be set aside for year end teacher appreciation luncheon/ drinks and desserts / Annie to coordinate

Treasurers Report (Sharda)

Income for current year - \$3,725
Spent or Committed Expenses – approx. \$2,389.63
Balance Avail – approx. \$1,335.37

Admin Report (Steve, Paull)

1. E-bulletin
 - This is a new tool for communicating with parents / bulletin will go out electronically to parents with various info such as upcoming events, student attendance, tracking of community service hours (a requirement to graduate)
 - A pilot project is in the works to see what feedback is received, with a plan to roll out in Sept
 - Email addresses will need to be kept current, could be a challenge
 - Students over 18 can decide if the bulletin goes to their parent
2. Light up your World – Anti Bullying Workshop
 - Grade 10 students have the most success with this workshop
 - Due to the cost, instead of offering to all grade 10's, 30 students have been chosen by the school to participate in the one day workshop.
 - The goal is to empower them and give them a better sense of self to help them counteract bullying
3. IPP Update (Individual Pathway Plan)
 - This program is slowly being integrated at each grade level
 - Handouts will be given to parents on interview night

Misc

1. PRO grant – there is an upcoming change in procedure. In the past they gave the money up front, with a year end report being sent outlining where the money was spent. In future, money will only be allocated after the year end report is sent in outlining actual expenditures.
 - Lisa will work with Sharda, Annie and Joyce to transfer over the links for application for next year and to help with the completion of the current year end report
2. Next year will be the 4th year with the gifted program at MSS

Next Meeting: Wednesday June 18th, 2014 / 7:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. School Library

LINKS:

School's Website: <http://www.markville.ss.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/>

York Region District School Board, School Councils Home Page:
<http://www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/page.cfm?id=SSC000001>

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