

**Milliken Mills HS School Council Minutes**  
**Meeting #2 – Monday, October 19, 2020**  
**Virtual Meeting, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**  
**Minutes by Dawn Imada-Chan**

	Item
1	<p>Opening of Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and Attendance</li> <li>• Approval of the Agenda and Minutes from September Meeting (see PPT posted on the school website)</li> </ul> <p>Agenda &amp; Minutes were approved with the addition of the Guidance Update - Motion made by T. Edwards, Seconded by N. Mian. Attendees supported.</p> <p>Attendance was taken.  Noted present for all or part of the meeting:  Akalya Balasubramaniam, Candy Chen, Christopher Hilmer (Principal), Dawn Imada-Chan (Vice-Principal), Flora Wen (Co-Treasurer), Hlias Bouzianis, Irene Petrou (Guidance), Jason Cham (Student Rep), Kamla Reid (Techer Rep), Kelly Chan, Lijun-Linda Wang, Mike Ved (Co-Treasurer), Minnie Chow (Vice-Chair), Nada Kesavan, Natalie White (IB Coordinator), Natarajan Shunmugavelu, Nathan Kasi, Noreen Mian (Chair), Patrick Xiong, Shannon Lim, Shanshan Chen, Susan Ci, Tharshini Balakumar, Timothy Edwards, Zhifeng Yan</p> <p>Regrets:  Nadia Pinelli (Non-Teaching Rep), Tamar Stein (Vice-Principal)</p>
2	<p>Call to Fill Vacant Position of Secretary</p> <p>The position of Secretary was explained. No interest at this time was indicated. The duty will rotate with Vice-Chair and Treasurers if no one is formally elected.</p>
3	<p>Student Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jason Cham presented on behalf of the Student Activities Council.</li> <li>• Currently happening: elections for Grade Reps with interviews following for Publicity and Secretary.</li> <li>• To support the transition to high school for Grade 9 students, SAC is starting a newsletter for students. Club Presidents are encouraged to submit items for the newsletters about their clubs and students will submit personal accomplishments.</li> <li>• Spirit Week coming up soon!</li> </ul>
4	<p>Department Presentation – IB Update/Guidance Update</p> <p>Natalie White presented an overview of the IB Programme at MMHS. Grade 8 IB Information available on our wesbite on October 22. Applications open October 26. See website for details.</p>

	<p>Guidance Update by Irene Petrou:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department produced a video for students—it highlights the role of Guidance and introduces the staff members who work there.</li> <li>• Additional Seminars: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ October 26 - How to Apply to College</li> <li>○ October 28 - University Seminar</li> <li>○ November 1 - Early Application Deadline for U.S. Institutions</li> <li>○ November 20 - Workplace and Trade Seminars</li> </ul> </li> <li>• All information posted in the Guidance Google Classroom.</li> <li>• Grade 11 IB Programme students-interviews for CAS will begin.</li> <li>• Appointments now being encouraged for students to discuss post-secondary options. Appointments are completed virtually.</li> </ul>
5	<p>Work on New School Council Constitution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chris Hilmer shared a draft constitution. This will be emailed out tomorrow to attendees to review and consider suggestions.</li> <li>• Motion made by T. Edwards and seconded by N. Mian to approve the constitution with amendments at the next School Council meeting.</li> </ul>
6	<p>School Council Goal(s) for the Year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To engage as many parents/guardians in our community and increase attendance to meetings.</li> <li>• To support families by bringing questions/issues forward for those families that cannot attend meetings.</li> <li>• Consider hosting a Virtual Workshop on a topic that supports families. For example, Mental Health Supports for Teenagers in the Time of Covid-19</li> </ul>
7	<p>Teacher Report</p> <p>Kamla Reid shared the Teachers' Report. They are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music Department - Jr. and Sr. Band/Repertoire are up and running virtually, as well as the Music Council will organize its first Grade 9 Play Date.</li> <li>• Guidance has nominated three students for Loran Scholars award, as well as selected a University of Toronto Book Award recipient.</li> <li>• Math Competitions coming up: Nov. 18 Cohort B, Nov. 19 Cohort A, to be run in the cafeteria. There is limited space, so please contact the Math Department to sign up.</li> <li>• Science - Preparing Internal Assessments for all four IB classes which will run over the next two months.</li> </ul>
8	<p>Administration Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent/Guardian Teacher Interview Night: Wed. October 28 from 6:30-8:30pm. See emails to families for more information.</li> <li>• Interim Reports to be delivered electronically this week.</li> <li>• First Workshop Wednesday to be held for Grade 9 Students on October 28. This will be run monthly by SLAM. Details on SLAM Instagram account or morning announcements.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student of the Month recipients were announced this week. These are students nominated by staff for their positive contributions to the class/school community.</li> <li>• Fire Drills: Occurring in two days to ensure each cohort practices the drill. No longer timed but evacuated a floor at a time to ensure Public Health safety measures and physical distancing.</li> <li>• Graduation: A virtual graduation for June 2020 graduates will be held November 25. Emails have been sent to all graduates and families. It will be a pre-recorded ceremony.</li> </ul>
9	<p>Chair's Report and Mailbag No formal report Questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How would a Covid outbreak be handled in the school? Outbreak defined as 2 or more cases. Public Health directs school on next steps. Could be a variety of measures from sending one class or cohort or whole school to self-isolate.</li> </ol>
10	Meeting Adjournment at 8:42pm

All Parents/Guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Future Meeting Dates:

Monday, November 16, 2020 ← New Date

Monday, January 18, 2021

Monday, March 22, 2021

Monday, May 17, 2021

Meetings are usually held on the third Monday of the month. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

At this time, meetings are held virtually.

Chair: Noreen Mian | Vice-Chair: Minnie Chow  
Secretary: vacant | Co-Treasurers: Flora Wen & Mike Ved