

Newmarket High School

School Council

Agenda – Tuesday, Jan 8 2019 @ 6:45 NHS Library

1. Welcome & call to order
2. Approval of School Council Minutes from Nov 19, 2018
 - Tracey moves and Poupak seconds approval of the Minutes of the last meeting
3. Student Council Reports – Carson Pennington – Student Council President
 - a. Upcoming student events
 - Carson unable to attend
 - Semi-formal on Feb 21
 - 400 student capacity – sellout expected
 - 20 staff and police to supervise
4. Staff Report
 - Mary gives the staff report
 - Presentations on course selections will take place Friday Jan 11
 - There will also be drop in periods on a without appointment needed
 - Feb 11 is when the Pathways planner will be open for selection
 - The Pathways planner is open to view and consider now
 - Feb 22 is digital and Feb 27 is when the hard copy of course collection for students is due and is handed in to the home room teacher
 - Large undertaking for every school to transition to the Pathways program but with its newness comes some corrections which are made on an as needed basis
5. Administration Reports
 - a. School Improvement Plan for Student Achievement & Well-Being – Update
 - At NHS the SIPSA (school improvement plan for student achievement)
 - This includes mental health, modern learning and mathematics
 - At NHs there are a number of programs to introduce these initiatives
 - The teaching staff coordinate after trials for these initiatives with adaptation and further trials on an ongoing basis
 - Indigenous studies as a new component has been introduced at NHS this year

- The equities and Indigenous studies will start in February
- b. Exams Update
 - Exams Jan 24 to 30
 - All exams start at 8:30
 - Exams will be in their classrooms or elsewhere
 - Study areas are available in the library and cafeteria
 - EQAO students will write the tests in the cafeteria in period 1 with IEPs can write in less busy rooms
 - All non-period 1 classes will be held as usual
- c. NHS Excellence Awards – Preparation
 - Pina invited parent council members to join the Excellence Award committee to assist with the Award Ceremony
 - Pina had solicited 2 members to date and Jenn, her daughter, Elisa, Tanya and Judy also volunteered

6. School Council Reports

- a. Use of School Council funds
 - Tracey discussed funding and suggested the use of the \$500.00 for the Pro-grant for the Excellence Awards
 - the Parent Council approved the suggestion unanimously
- b. School Council Learning Sessions – update, discussion, next step
 - Triple-Parenting workshops are available at no cost
 - There are workshops on Anxiety and depression, Mental health from Southlake. IEPs, Victim Services, Financial Literacy, Digital Intelligence, Youth Speak for LGBT

7. New Business

- Brett Ullman is speaking on Jan 9 at Springvale from 7:00 to 8:30
- Springvale Road and Kennedy Road in Stouffville, 3885 Stouffville
- Current expansion plans are to utilize some space in the building and more portables
- 2 new portables in 2018-2019
- 2 more new ones potentially in 2019
- Summer school will be announced shortly, possibly at NHS

8. Adjourn

- Adjourned at 7:50 pm
- Next meeting Feb. 19