

Stephen Lewis Secondary School

School Council Meeting

September 21, 2015

Welcome Karina and Saiyed:

- 5 meetings this year
- Thank you to Karina for her years as co-chair
- Office administration introductions – Mr. Shigeishi, Ms. Ziegler, Ms. Ellis
- Parent introductions

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Student council could not attend but will report next meeting. Mr. Shigeishi reported on their behalf:

- Terry Fox Run is Sept. 30
- Many clubs and teams are up and running, details are posted on the gym bulletin boards
- Grade 9 rep applications are available now

Elections

Elections were held for the following positions:

- **Secretary:** Fareh Naqvi
- **Treasurer:** Rebecca Haberman
- **Co-Chairs:** Anna Klebanov, Saiyed Rizvi

Committee chairs were appointed for this year

- 1) Fundraising for school: Zainab Hasan and Abidi Thabussin
- 2) Parents Reaching Out Grant Evening speakers -
- 3) Staff appreciation day – Monica

Administrator's Report - Ken Shigeishi

- Revised format for Grade 9 orientation day based on last year's suggestions from students and staff. Welcome any feedback from parents
- Quick Reference Guide for Parents was available on the first day, and copies were distributed, it is available on the school website;
- Enrolment as of today – 1350 students / 90 teachers
- Safe school assemblies were held for all grades
- Safety week is the end of September and we will have drills of various kinds (fire, lock-down, hold and secure)
- We have a trip to Europe this March break. Interested students should see Ms. Urciuoli. No other SLSS March break trips are approved or supervised

- Portables were installed over the summer in preparation for future enrolment growth. See board website for our school boundaries, which serves 8 elementary schools south 407, north Teston, West Go-tracks, East Dufferin/Bathurst
- Gym and drama rooms are used every period, recommending change in time for next year
 - Start: approx 8:15 am – 8:20 am
 - Finishing: 2:45 pm – 2:55 pm
 - Lunch: 3rd / 4th period
 - Bus routing / schedule / timing affect start / end time
 - Expected start date - September 2016
 - Grade 9 would have middle lunch
 - Grade 10 onwards –3rd or 4th period lunch
 - Clubs will be affected by lunch change – needs to be reorganized / managed

Applying to College and University Ms. Ellis – gave a presentation on applying to colleges and universities included:

- *Must complete community involvement hours to graduate.*
- Full Disclosure: Grade 11 ,12
 - Course dropping date – cannot miss date or it stays on transcript
 - Semester 1: November 25th
 - Semester 2: April 27th
- College on-line applications:
 - \$95 / 5 programs
 - Applying on-line begins on October 21st
- University:
 - Choose university carefully – universities don't like each other's credits
 - IEP information is not shared with university.
 - \$150 / 3 programs – no refunds
 - Must research and make sure you have requirements.
- Students will receive information in assemblies.
- Information Fair will be held at Alexander Mackenzie High School on Wednesday November 4. Everyone is invited. As well, colleges and universities visit Stephen Lewis SS-schedule in guidance.