

STOUFFVILLE DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL  
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING minutes - **Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> 2015**

**Attendees:**

Mirella Sanwalka, Susan Maharaj, Efy Marinis, Josh Ogden, Kim Ward, Diana Bohemier,

1. 6:37 pm - **Welcome to parents**

2. **Student Council Representative Report:** Josh Ogden

**December**

- Talent Show - All student run, non-competitive event, all acts ran smoothly and show was a great success. Clubs stepped up like improv and drama to put together elaborate skits flawlessly
- Ugly Sweater Day – Contest was held during the talent show. People came up only if they wanted. Nobody was told they had an ugly sweater if they were not participating.

**January**

- PJ Day January 22<sup>nd</sup> – Highest participation spirit day, onesies galore! Considering it was the day before exams, it went well.

**February**

- Valentines dance scheduled for February 12<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to lack of participation. DJ will be used for prom
- Dating Game – was well organized this year. Only aspect that was a little off was the down time between questions was too long. Winners enjoyed their victory meal courtesy of the student council. Everyone else got Laughing Olive Bistro certificates.

**Future**

- Mental Health awareness month in April
- Speakers for the school, like the second city, YRPD
- Secret student council buddies will be going to groups of people and initiate conversation
- Rock paper scissors mob tournament
- Cancer awareness Head shaving – raising money for cancer by doing different events

3. **Staff Reports:** Mirella Sanwalka (**Principal's Report**)

- OSSLT (literacy) – March 26<sup>th</sup> there are ongoing practice sessions. This is for grade 10's and any other student who were not successful before. Many students signed up for after school help with literacy skills
- Career Cruising – course selection due February 20<sup>th</sup>

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Efy Marinis

- February was Black History month
- Second City will cost \$1200. to bring in
- Monday April 20<sup>th</sup> Understanding Mental Health from a Youth perspective
- 30 students are in the ESB group (Empowered Student Partners)
- Group are training for the Shoppers 5k race on April 25th

**4. New Business: School Improvement Plan** Susan Maharaj

- Monitoring Tool has raised credit accumulation this semester over last year
- School challenge of practice (COP) focus on student engagement
- Our work now is to see how our work has impacted student learning
- Differentiated supports for students to improve literacy skills
- Supports for vulnerable students, Student success team, credit recovery
- New course (GWL)

**5. Motion to adjourn 7:42**

Next / Last Monday Meeting Date for 2015 @ SDSS Library: June 1<sup>st</sup>