

MINUTES

School Council Meeting
November 4, 2015.....7:00 pm

Attendance:

Ms. Ann Pace (Principal), Mr. Fraser Scott (Vice Principal), Ms. Dianne Vivian (Vice Principal), Ms Kelly Bradshaw (Head of Guidance), Mr. Mike Mastroandrea (Head of Co-Op), Mrs. Gatti (Teacher Representative), Seyon (Student Representative), Joe Guisto (Council Chair), Niki Palermo (Council Secretary), Parents – Jade Singh.....do not have the attendance sheet

Meeting called to order: 7:00 pm

Meeting Chaired by: Joe Guisto

1. **Welcome:** Joe Guisto

2. **Approval of Minutes/Agenda**

- ??? moved to pass the minutes from September 30, 2015
- ???? seconded the motion
- Motion passed

3. **Students' Report:** Seyon

- Student council's theme to help encourage and promote student spirit
- Students are encouraged to do better
- Council is celebrating "Tommy Day" – promoting engagement and caring
- Council wants to promote student life by giving voice and by having a mock election before actual vote to increase school spirit
- week long of fun...week of dressing up and candies
- Future events:
 - Semi Formal – November 26, 2015 – "Winter Ball" theme
 - Holiday Assembly
 - Movie night

4. **Teacher Representative Report: Mrs. Laura Gatti**
 - November 4, 2015 was "Take your kid to work day" – positive feedback from students
 - Grade 10 diagnostic literary test during period 2
 - Grade 8 open house is November 25, 2015
 - Parent interview night went well – great feedback and help from TACC, student leaders and student volunteers

5. **Vice Principal's Report: Mr. Fraser Scott**
 - December 9, 2015 – Winter music night – school band will perform
 - Website Calendar, including athletic events, games, field trips, will be updated regularly

6. **Vice Principal's Report: Ms Dianne Vivian**
 - Take Your Kid to Work day – participation rate for students was high
 - mid term coming up
 - results of student survey for grades 9 & 10 - positive results
 - school store Grand Opening was a great success – good turnout – it is run by our students – each department has a say on items that are sold at the store

7. **Principals Report – Ms. Ann Pace**
 - School is supporting and promoting Mental Health supporting both parents and students
 - November 25, 2015 – Grade 8 open house
 - Parents Reaching out Grant – Guest speaker, Michelle Cassidy at Emily Carr at 7pm
 - what families can do to identify and deal with stress and stressors
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 - High School has many stressors for both students and parents/families
 - November 11, 2015 – Remembrance Day Assembly
 - Board wide international trip to Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of The Battle of Vimy – focusing on "Canada's impact on Europe"
 - trip is open to all students
 - April 3 – 11, 2017
 - Parent information night November 20, 2015 to discuss itinerary and costs
 - more info to follow

8. **Presentation: Ms Kelly Bradshaw (Head of Guidance), Mr. Mike Mastoandrea (Head of Co-O)**
 - Individual Pathway Planning (IPP)
 - Teachers identified their roll as "building the student"
 - IPP goes beyond High School – included post secondary education

- IPP is in Career Cruising from grades 7 through 12
- Career Cruising is on the homepage of school website – students and parents are encouraged to go onto website
- School has an IPP planning committee
- November 16th – College Degree Panel at 12 noon
- Guest Eve Silver will be attending school for a reading and writing workshop for Grades 9 & 10 on December 2, 2015 held during period 4
- Mr. Mastrandrea advised we have 37 students for Co- Op, which is available to grade 11 and 12 students
 - Co-Op is a great opportunity for students to expose themselves to work environment and gain valuable work experience

Meeting adjourned: 9:16 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday January 6th, 2016, 7:00 pm

Happy and Safe Holidays to all and a Prosperous New Year