Tommy Douglas SS

SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES - September 29, 2014

Item	Information/Discussion	Presenter
Welcome &	Parents Present: Joe Giusto, Claudia Giusto, Niki Palermo	Ann Pace
Introductions	Staff Present: Ann Pace, Fraser Scott, Laura Gatti, Claire Hoover	
Nomination/Election of School Council Members	Positions: Chair – Joe Giusto	Ann Pace
Correspondence	-Faith Day Calendar given to Chair	
Teacher's Report	-feedback from teachers about how things are going - flexibility of staff and students - adjustment and transition is going very well - WC staff has been quite accommodating - no noticeable conflicts/friction between WC students and TDSS students	Laura Gatti and Claire Hoover
Principal's Report	-building a vision together for new school -only issue so far: a couple of buses have been late -Parents Reaching Out Grant – improve communication and understanding of the school – translation of material during Parent Interview Night – guest speakers eg. School Social Worker – child care during Parent Interview Night -one Healthy Foods Grant has been received to date and a second application has been completed – nutritious snacks and breakfast -start October 6 th with Healthy Foods Programme \$1,100 for this semester – students cannot learn if they are hungry so we are addressing this with Healthy Foods Grant -SHSM Specialist High Skills Major application being written and this writing process began in Spring of 2014– we have applied for not-for-profit sector because it touches on so many different fields – Garden Grant – because of Greenhouse -Subject Heads are putting together Course Proposals for course offerings for next year would like to have students and staff visit new school on the last day in December before Winter Break – will know by the end of Novportables are heated and there are hooks for coats in each portable	Ann Pace

	-microwaves will be available in new cafeteria	
Vice Principal's Report	-re-inforce the importance of lanyards and wearing student cards face up -Camp Tommy Day – Friday, October 3, 2014 all day -Safety Week – September 29 to October 3 -Lockdown happening over next 3 days -Safety Week focus – cyberbullying, inclusivity -Interim Reports: Oct. 10th -Parents' Night: Oct. 16 th – taking place in Cafeteria -Boys' Volleyball, Girl's Basketball, Boys Soccer -field trips – first one will be soon to downtown Toronto -Yearbook, GSA, Student Council, DECA, Environmental Club, Athletic Council -GSA: safe places to discuss issues around sexual orientation, gender, etc.	Fraser Scott
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.	
Next Meeting	October 20, 2014 7 pm	