

Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School

School Council Meeting, Jan.

Students Minutes

2013-2014 Co-Chairs: Julie Lum, Carline Young

In Attendance Administration: D. Linkewich , S. Cheong

Staff:

Parents:

1. Welcome/ Introduction/ Regards

2. Guest Speakers: Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS, Guidance Department

Parents of students entering grade 10, grade 11, and grade 12 were each separated. Parents were informed about the changes in course selection. An overview of courses was discussed. Parents were able to ask questions and were given an important deadline of **February 14th 2014 course** selection to be done.

3. Cooperative Education: Janet Davis, Head of PETHS CBE Depart

- Information about cooperative education was discussed.
- This program is for students in grade 11 and grade 12 to learn outside the classroom
- Students can earn 2 to 4 credits per semester

A sample of a typical school/ work day was given. What the student's expectation was along with what support is offered to students. Parents were given a variety of previous placements along with the benefits that cooperative education offers. Students must take prerequisites courses that relate to their desired placement.

- Students in a skills trade can sign up for apprenticeship in OYAP and in some cases they can do part 1 of training in college.
- Summer cooperative education offered Costa Rica in Militia program
- 2 coop credits related to business or (upon approval) health and wellness SHSM

French immersion students can obtain 2 courses in coop if French related

Further information can be obtained at:

www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca

www.oyap.com

4. Student REP: Gary Li

Student rep shared a variety of information about athletics, past events, and upcoming events.

5. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes read by all in attendance
- Motion to approve November 20, 2013 minutes, by S. Nimel and R. Vijitha
- Approved minutes will be posted on PETHS website

6. Parent Reaching Out Grant

Two dates have been selected for Risk and Resiliency workshop which will be a two part workshop.

- March 27 2014
- April 24 2014

7. Stakeholders Reports

Staff Report

- Amrita Mulchaud and John Shep shared recent school and activities from the school and staff.

Administration

Debbie Linkewich, George Tsigaridis, Suelyn Cheong

- Course selection due February 14, 2014, equal opportunity not a first come first serve basis.
- 2 grants give 'Speak Up' \$1000 to reduce stigma for student with disabilities and 'G Fit' \$1000 girl fitness.
- Leadership retreat for staff with focus on emotional safety for students.
- Each teacher in board given workshop on how to keep students motivated and keep them engaged.
- Student Success team formed which is to identify students who may need extra help or time can put forward a proposal to help them succeed.
- Friday February 7 report card distributed

Parent and Community

- Guidelines for snow days, you still have to call in to advise student will be absent due to weather conditions. This is still a regular school day however assessments for day will be cancelled. When parent calls in child won't be marked absent.

8. New Business

Julie Lum

- School given a \$5000 grant to beautify school grounds which will include benches and greenery. Next meeting we will discuss \$10 000 project which will be completed over several years.