



# **School Council Meeting September 16, 2019**

# Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions 6:30 - 6:45
- School Council Elections 6:45 - 7:10
- Principal Update 7:10 - 8:00

# Unionville High School

## Welcome and Introductions

**Suelyn Cheong, Principal**

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# **“Getting To Know” Activity**

- **Introduce yourself in groups of 4 or 5**
- **Who you are**
- **Your occupation**
- **Your interests**
- **Sons/daughters attending Unionville H.S**



# Padlet

**Let's find out why you are here...**

**★ Hot Topics**

- Issues and concerns to address in our upcoming council meetings

PADLET



<http://bit.ly/UHS0916>

# Review of the Padlet Ideas

- **Restructuring the School Council “Framework”**
- **Dr Debbie Pushor**
  - Professor, Department of Curriculum Studies at the University of Saskatchewan
  - parent knowledge, parent engagement and leadership
  - walking alongside



# Old vs Revised Agenda

**Old Agenda**  
**Principal Driven**



**Revised Agenda**  
**Parents Driven**



# Example of a Current Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions presentation for School Council 6:30-6:45

1. School Council Elections

6:45-7:00

1. OSSLT Update

7:00-7:10

1. Principal Update

7:10-7:30

1. Guidance Update

7:30-7:45

6. Questions

7:45-8:00

# Purpose of School Council



# School Council 2019-2020

## Responsibilities Highlights

- Principals are responsible for:
  - be a member of the school council;
  - attend all school council meetings (vice-principal may be designates);
  - ensuring that a school council is established that represents the school community;
  - communicating and collaborating with school councils;
  - actively seeking representation;
  - make known the names of members of the school council
  - forwarding information on community resources to school councils;
  - provide written notice of the dates, times and locations of the meetings;

# Principals are Responsible for:

- Principals are responsible for:
  - solicit the views of the school council;
  - ensure that any fundraising carried out by the school council aligns with the school improvement plan;
  - ensure that the financial records are maintained at the school;

# School Council Code of Ethics

- consider the best interests of all students;
- be guided by the school and the Board's mission statements;
- become familiar with the school's policies and operating practices;
- follow the Board's Equity and Inclusive Education policy;
- treat all other members with respect;
- not disclose confidential information;
- use established communication channels;
- declare any conflict of interest;
- not accept any payment or benefit financially through school council involvement.

# Elections

- first 30 calendar days school year;
- responsibilities
  - hold office from date elected or appointed;
  - be able to be re-elected or re-appointed;
  - one vote, when a consensus cannot be reached and voting is necessary;
  - one vote, in votes taken by a committee of the school council on which the member sits;

# Elections

- The number of parents should be defined in your constitution, otherwise it will be six.
- A parent member cannot be employed at the school
- If a parent works for the Board but not at your school, they can be a parent member if they inform the school community prior to the election.

## *One Student Representative* (optional at Elementary Level)

- Appointed by the student council.
- In elementary schools, may be appointed by Principal after consulting with school council.



# Elections

## *Community Representative*

- At least one but may appoint up to four, if you make such a bylaw in your constitution.
- If a person works for the Board but not at your school, they can be a community member they inform the school community prior to the election.

## *The School Principal*

- If he or she is unable to attend a meeting, he/she may send the Vice-Principal.

## *One Teaching Staff Representative*

- Elected by the teachers of the school.

## *One Support Staff Representative*

# School Council 2019-2020

## Responsibilities Highlights

- School councils are responsible for:
  - supporting and promoting parent, family and community engagement in support of student learning;
  - participating in the development and implementation of the school improvement plan;
  - communicating with, and providing ongoing advice to, the principal matters pertaining to the school;
  - collaborating;
  - election procedures and the filling of vacancies between elections;
  - hold elections for members of school councils during the first 30 calendar days of each school year;
  - ensure that a parent qualifies;
  - meet at least four times during the school year;
  - record and maintain minutes of all meetings;



# Election of School Council Members

## **School Council Elections:**

- **Council Chair**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Arts Rep**
- **Community Member**
- **Staff Rep**

# Staffing Updates

- **1471 Students in UHS this year**
- **Student timetables are complete for 1st semester; guidance will begin working on 2nd semester**
- **Added another course - HIF201**
- **Looking ahead at course offerings for next year in order to eliminate issues**
- **New Teachers:**
  - **Mr. Howin Chang - SES4U1**
  - **Ms. Ayesha Allahwala - ESL complement**

# Guidance



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# Booking Guidance Appointments

- ▶ Students can schedule appointments via teach assist.
- ▶ Parents/Guardians can also schedule appointments by contacting the Guidance Secretary (x458)







# Upcoming events

## At School:

- ▶ Week of Sept 30th--ELL Classroom visits
- ▶ Oct 2nd--Post-Secondary Application Presentation (Period 1-5)
- ▶ Oct 8th--Scholarship Presentation (Gr. 12's)--Oct 8th (Time TBA)

## Outside of school:

- ▶ Oct 16th--Post-Secondary Fair (hosted at Bill Crothers SS) 6:30 pm
  - ▶ Ontario Universities Fair takes place September 27-29, 2019, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Admission is free!
  - ▶ Ontario College Fair takes place October 23-24, 2019, at the Enercare Centre. Admission is free!
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# Scholarship Info

Students are encouraged to continually check the Guidance Moodle as scholarship information and due dates are updated as they become available.

## Loran Scholarship

Due: TBA - School Sponsored deadline to submit to Guidance (3pm)

Due: October 24th - Direct Pool Deadline (8pm)

## University of Toronto - National Book Award

Due: October 17th - School Sponsored deadline to submit to Guidance

## Horatio Alger Scholarship

Due: October 25th

## University of Toronto - National Scholarship Program

Due: October 24th

The Scholarship Report has been updated on the Guidance Moodle. Various scholarships are listed with due dates between September and November 2018.



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# Unionville High School Upcoming Events

## September Events

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- **Grade 9 Camp Day**
- **Kinark DramaTrip Gr 9-12**
- **Terry Fox Run**

## October Events

- **Gr 9 STEM Activity Day Pds 1-3**
- **ELL/International Orientation  
Field Trip**
- **Subject Awards Breakfast**
- **USAC Oktoberfest**



# School Council Meeting Dates

Monday, September 16, 2019

Monday, October 28, 2019

Monday, November 25, 2019

Monday, January 13, 2020

Monday, February 10, 2020

Monday, May 25, 2020



**Questions?**