

**WINSTON CHURCHILL HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Churchill Boardroom

Attendance: Laura Scarpelli, Trish Mehrer, Larinda Chase, Rob Mitchell, Justin Malik, Jesy Malik, Keith Fowler, Carey Rowntree, Neil Langevin, Nancy Mitchell (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Shauna Hatch, Tara Cunningham, Morgan Day

1. **Call to Order** - the Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. **Approval of Agenda** – Motion by Larinda/Trish to approve the agenda with the addition of staff appreciation under business arising. Carried.

3. **Minutes from Previous Meeting** – Motion by Trish/Jesy that the Minutes from the April 12, 2017, meeting that were circulated, be adopted. Carried.

4. **Business Arising from Minutes** –
 - a. **Staff Appreciation** – Motion by Jesy/Rob to approve spending up to \$200 for the staff luncheon if necessary. This is due to the fact that we were unable to distribute the donation document to the entire school population and extra items will need to be purchased to ensure that we have sufficient items.

5. **Treasurer's Report** – no changes to our account. The balance remains at \$498.40. Expenses will need to be paid out for the ASCA conference and staff appreciation.

6. Committee Reports

a. Students' Council – There are 3 girls running for president. Nominations closed on the 15th and campaigning will take place until May 26th. Videos have been uploaded to the YouTube channel. Voting is May 30 and 31. All other positions are filled by acclamation. This Thursday is the talent show assembly.

b. District School Council – discussion took place on the questions drafted as a result of the LCI letter. The resolution committee will no longer be drafting and submitting resolutions and will only be available to assist, if requested, by any school council that wishes to submit a resolution. ASCA conference was reported on by those who attended. The Poverty Intervention Committee received a \$92,000 gift from the Evangelical Free Church and are currently deciding how to properly use these funds. Community Engagement Committee is looking at the information compiled from the town hall and how to implement. Draft budget presentation is next Tuesday, May 23, 2017. Projected student population for the district is 11,100 for next year.

c. Grad – tickets are now on sale for food at the gala. The grad booklet is available online which contains all information pertaining to grad.

7. Administrative Reports

Neil Langevin – registration currently at a count of 760 students. Should be about 775 by the fall. PowerSchool registration was the smoothest registration ever. Timetable building is still ongoing. The schedule is very complex with IB, ESL, K&E etc. Learning Commons philosophy being set into law and will be fully functioning next year. The SAIC room traditionally has been where coded students go. Next year there will be four adults in the learning commons and SAIC room where all students can get extra assistance.

Tara Orser – IB update. World exams conclude this week. Students who are full IB write 13 exams in 3 weeks. K&E wrapping up work experience. Potential job offers are in the works for two students. We held a K&E info night at Wilson which was very successful. Color Day will be Friday, June 9th.

Morgan Day – an Art Show will be held on June 1, 2017, at the school.

Carey Rowntree – shared the May submissions that were given to the Board. Our robotics team made regional finalist and is one of only 150 in Canada. Our music instructor has started a replacement program over the next 4 to 5 years. We

received a \$10,000 grant from the Community Foundation which will be used towards this replacement program. We looked at council dates for the 2017-18 year. The February meeting has been moved to February 28th due to the fact our regular meeting night falls during the week break. We will decide closer to the time if a February meeting is necessary. Pam Harrison is retiring and Kim Sawchuk has been hired. Teacher collaboration has been taking place on Fridays this year and the teachers have been encouraged to try these new things in the classroom. There are different ways of engaging students and gives them ownership of their learning.

8. **Other Business**

a. **Color Day** – if our teams attend rugby provincials there is going to be a conflict with Color Day. Once we know if our rugby teams will be going to Provincials, this date can be changed to accommodate this so that students are not missing this special day. Rugby Provincials will be taken into account when setting future color days. In 2018, provincials are set for the second weekend in June and in 2019, they are set for the first weekend in June.

b. **Council Contacts** – Carey will look into how we can improve the communication from school council.

9. **Next Meeting** – our next meeting will be a dinner windup on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at Luigis North. An email will be sent to council attendees to confirm attendance for reservations.

10. **Adjournment** – the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.