



Agenda- School Council

October 8th, 2024

5:00 pm Library

In Attendance: Amy Morocco (Principal), Mike McMurray (Vice Principal), Cassandra Schultz (Teacher), Kelly Sonnenberg (Parent; Chair), Jennifer Hogge (Co-Chair; Parent), Fang Niu (Parent), Rakaya Santik (Family Member), Estrelita Lorenzo (Parent)

Agenda

5:00 pm Welcome and introductions

Reviewing expectations and responsibilities of a SAC member

Voting for Executive (Chair, Secretary, Financial Representative)

Chair: Kelly Sonnenberg

Co-Chair: Jenn Hogge

Secretary: Cassandra Schultz

Treasurer: Tasha Gillis (School Office Assistant)

Principal Report (School Updates, Celebrations)

School Start Up

- continue to grow as our student population.
- Welcoming new students/new families each week.
- Approximate student population to date: 628

EQAO

- Results shared with Grade 4 & 7 students by Oct. 18th
- DSBN celebrating above provincial scores in math and writing

Glow-o-ween

- Fundraiser supported by Student Council to raise money for our Project Share Stuff the Bus campaign

Bingo

- We are a Delta Bingo funded school, 2x a month, 8:00pm-10:00pm
- Please reach out to Admin if you are interested/able to volunteer

New School Rezoning Boundaries updates

- School Open for September 2025

- Letters going home on Tuesday October 15th to impacted families, followed by meetings and conversations for how to support students and families in preparation for the transition

Fresh Falls Market (Partnered with Niagara Health)

- Available Monthly through School Cash Online

Around the School

- Open House Feedback
- Appreciation Assemblies
- Terry Fox Walk/Run (We raised 10x more last year - special thanks to a grade 7/8 class who took on this event)
- Rowan's Law Day (Concussion Awareness)
- Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)
- Leadership Opportunities for Gr 7 & 8s students
- Glow-o-ween (upcoming)
- Student Council Reps (Supported by Mrs. M-L)

Introduction of School Council Committees (Fundraising, School Events, Family of Schools)

Given the size of our School Advisory Council as of now, we will revisit smaller committees

Goals:

- Fundraising
- School Events
- Family of Schools (preparing students for transitions to Westlane/other)

Possibility for Yearbook: Some obstacles to making this attainable include

- Equity of students who do not have permission/consent to have their photographs published
- Financial Equity of students/families who are unable to afford a yearbook (likely minimum \$25)
- Teacher demands

PIC Conference (Save the Date)

November 6th from 4pm - 8:15pm at Eden High School in St. Catharines
Workshops and meal provided, transportation available

Scheduling of future meeting dates

- Tuesday October 8th, 2024 @5pm
- Tuesday November 26th, 2024 @5pm
- Tuesday February 25th, 2025 @5pm
- Tuesday April 22nd, 2025 @5pm
- Tuesday May 27th, 2025 @5pm - Celebration & Goal Setting for next year!

Housekeeping & Adjournment

- Desire for a Winter Wonderland Event similar to last year (January/February)
 - School council could play a role in this
 - Different events in different rooms
- Community enjoys these types of evening events

Upcoming Meetings

- **Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 26th, 2024 @ 5pm**
 - **Candy Bowls will be provided by the admin team**

Do Your Best and Do What's Right