



OTTAWA TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

September 13, 2016

19:00 to 20:30

OTSS Library

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees:

- Bruce Giles, Chair
- Andrea Fisher, Parent and Secretary
- Christina MacDougall, Parent
- Stephen MacDougall, Parent
- Zahra Ali, Parent
- Jose Sanchez, Parent
- Kim Melbourne, Parent
- Samen Bourbonnais, Parent
- Debbie Leblanc, Parent
- Jennifer Trembley, Principal

STANDING ITEMS		ACTION BY
1. WELCOME	Bruce Giles welcomed attendees to the meeting. The Co-chair from last year is no longer able to be the Chairperson.	
2. INTRODUCTION	Round table introduction of School Council members and School Staff members.	
3. APPROVAL MINUTES	Minutes approved by Stephen MacDougall and seconded by Christina MacDougall (June 7, 2016)	
4. ELECTION FOR 2015-2016 SCHOOL COUNCIL	The goal of School Council is to support students, teachers and parents. Sharing information and developing strategies to promote school activities are some of the main functions. There is no expectation to fund raise. The position of Chair and Co-Chair/Vice-Chair and Secretary or Secretary as a shared position are available. Bruce described the role as rewarding with the opportunity to meet a lot of parents; Parent Teacher Night. Andrea encouraged participants to consider the role as Secretary.	Bruce asked new School Council members to consider their interest for the Chair and Secretary positions.
5. HAPPENINGS AT OTSS PRINCIPAL/STAFF REPORT	Welcome back to a new year. Carl Dobbin returning and Rachelle Sintic new VP from Cairine Wilson. Rachelle has been a VP for 4 years, and was previously	

<p>6. INTRODUCTION OF PARENTS REFERENCE</p> <p>7. SUGGESTIONS ON FUTURE GUESTS</p> <p>8. CONCERNS/QUESTIONS FOR UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS</p>	<p>at the Board in Special Education. LTOs: Matt Giroux – Welding and construction. Richard Sasse – Business, constructions and computer technology. Catherine Young – Civics and Careers and English. Amber Arcii – English. Herald Albrecht – Math. Anthony Sapiano – Media Studies. Graham Schuler returned from leave (BIP), Nancy Lanthier (EA). Peter Schleihauf has retired. Current enrolment is at 415 students, with expectation of 5-10 more students. This is up from the spring projection of 410 students. Grade 9 classes are at max. Link was a success. No longer running non-credit classes. Upcoming dates: Sept 19 – Photo day. Sept 22 – Meet the Teacher from 6-8pm. Sept 23 – Terry Fox event to be determined. October 7 – PA Day. October 11 – Progress Reports due.</p> <p>The Parent Reference Library will include many references; books, DVDs and audios. Annual funding is \$500. Parents will be able to make reservations on-line and students will be able to bring the materials home.</p> <p>The Principal invites guest speakers to attend the beginning of the meeting.</p> <p>Great discussion the about early experiences of the students of the parents attending the meeting. September 22 is Meeting the Teacher Night. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and invite parents to join School Council. Cookies made by students are served in the library.</p>	<p>Jennifer and Bruce encouraged Council members to attend September 22, 18:00 – 20:00 - Meeting the Teacher Evening.</p> <p>Jennifer will invite Sarah Rush to be a guest speaker at the October meeting. Sarah is the Department Head for Phy Education Department and she will discuss sports and intramurals.</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>		

ADJOURNMENT	
	Meeting adjourned at 20:30 by Christina MacDougall and seconded by Stephen MacDougall.
NEXT MEETING	
	October 4, 2016 OTSS Library 19:00 – 20:30