



MINUTES

NGRHS SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

November 23, 2017 6:30 p.m.

[Revision A](#)

IN ATTENDANCE

Eva Cook – Parent Representative

Howard Gibson – Community Representative

Larry Burgoyne – Community Representative

Nicole Holland – Parent Representative

Sally Demone – Parent Representative

Regrets: Tanya Snyder – Support Staff Representative

Michelle Reeves-Slauenwhite – Teacher Representative

Andrea Whalen – Parent Representative

Carmen Woodworth – Teacher Representative

Sophie Mansfield – Sr. High Representative

Ruth Wilkins – Principal (Ex-Officio)

Katlyn Grimm – Jr. High Representative

Jennifer McMullen – Teacher Representative

NOMINATION OF NEW COMMUNITY MEMBER

H. Gibson nominated L. Burgoyne as Community Member, seconded by S. Demone. Passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

N. Holland nominated E. Cook as Chairperson, seconded by H Gibson. Passed unanimously.

H. Gibson volunteered to be Vice-Chairperson, passed unanimously.

M. Reeves-Slauenwhite nominated L. Burgoyne as Secretary, S. Demone seconded. Passed unanimously.

E. Cook led meeting as Chairperson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. Woodworth moved for the approval of the agenda, seconded by M Reeves-Slauenwhite. Passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were reviewed from the October meeting.

L. Burgoyne moved for the approval of the minutes.

Amendments: H. Gibson pointed out the discussion of the Holiday Meal was omitted. (Added to Revision A), and reference to make up of Parent Representatives being made up of Junior and Senior High representatives should be removed as this is not in our Letter of Agreement.

H. Gibson moved for the approval of the amended minutes, seconded by S. Demone. Passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

R. Wilkins reported no change from October.

CORRESPONDENCE

An email was received from the SSRSB announcing Theresa Griffin as the new Chairperson of the SSRSB, and Elliott Payzant as Vice-Chairperson.

CHAIR'S REPORT

- Nothing to report from the Chair

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Ruth Wilkins presented her report. (See attached Addendum A).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports

- Students Council
 - No report available.
 - Online ordering of school clothing is ready to proceed. Service is being provided by Headline Promotions.
- Sports, reported by M. Reeves-Slaunwhite
 - The junior soccer teams both placed first in Districts.
 - The senior girls' soccer team placed first in the District and placed second at Provincials.
 - The senior boys' soccer team placed first in the District and placed third at Provincials.
 - Senior girls' volleyball placed seventh at Regionals.
 - Sr. Boy's Volleyball players to be combining with Ecole de la Rive Sud for the season.
 - Basketball is underway, with four teams.
- International Students
 - Student group from Columbia have gone home.
 - There are a few new International Students coming in February.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to discuss.

NEXT MEETINGS

January 25, 2018, 6:30pm, NGRHS Learning Commons.

[Amended: January 25, 2018.](#)

Principal's Report

SAC Meeting

November 23rd, 2017

SAC Regional Meeting:

Group session with the elected board member discussing structure

Breakout sessions:

Jen – South Shore School Food Project

Ruth – RCH and Culturally Relevant Pedagogy

Michelle – Consultation on Inclusive Education

Larry – School Based Funds; What the SAC should know?

Eva – Communication; connecting with the community.

Report Cards – Going home on Monday

Parent Teacher – Thursday 1:00 – 3:00 and 6:30 – 8:00

Activities:

Symphony NS Trip

– Ms. Blezy took 35 students to see an ABBA show featuring Rajaton

Neptune Theatre

– Grade 7's and O2 10 students went to "It's a Wonderful Life"

Wellness Expo

- Great success
- – O2 volunteers, great connection with the community

Remembrance Day Service

- Organized by Jeff Rhodenizer with support from several other staff
- Elementary students participated
- Special Guests – Adam Trethewey, Anthony Vail
- Legion members – speaker - John Ryan

Law Courts Visit – Mr. Risser took his Law 12 class to the Bridgewater courts

Global Geography We.Org fundraiser

- over \$600 raised
- will continue to work to raise to \$1000
- Grade 10's – pizza party, grade 8's – Ice cream party

IWK Toy Drive

- Huge amount of toys from staff, students and community
- Lions club donated many toys today!
- If \$500 raised, Mr. Wilson will shave his beard

Christmas Food Baskets

- Mr. Risser to do collection from staff to put together Christmas food hampers to provide for families in need

AARAO Tour

- North Queens and Rive Sud
- Over 40 presenters set up
- Grades 10-12 participated

Agricultural College Trip

Pier 21 Trip

- Jewish council paid for it
- Listened to holocaust survivor and residential school survivor speak

Sledge Hockey

- Leadership class going to Sledge Hockey tomorrow at LCLC

Holiday Dinner

- O2 taking it on
- NSCC was on board, but had to pull out
- Mr. Risser's brother is going to assist along with Janet, Terri, SAC?

Operational:

Learning Commons

- carpet tile laid
- painting – completed by carpenters with assistance from O2 students
- Furniture ordered so far: 4 high tables with 6 chairs each, and 2 low tables with 6 chairs each
- Anticipated delivery date – End of December or early January

- Awaiting further funding from the board for soft furniture and technology
- Very well used by students
- Staff starting to book it out

Shipping Container

- we have purchased a 40 foot shipping container
- delivered last week
- leadership student is building racks to hold the canoes
- will also store track and field equipment

Clean up

- dumpster on site for weeks
- Teachers and other staff cleaned out garbage, broken furniture etc.

Shop

- submitted a request to have the shop expanded into the existing space so that we can offer some hands on courses such as Construction Technology 10 and Home Trades 12