

NGRHS School Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2014

1. Call to Order

E. Cook called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.

The following persons were present: S.McGill, S. Joudrey, T. Healey, A. Whalen, L. Burgoyne, H. Gibson, J. McMullen, M. McDade, K. Hansen, S. Delaney, E, Cook, J. DeLong. S. Demone.

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: Moved by, S. Joudrey, seconded by K. Hansen to approve the agenda with the changes mentioned above. **CARRIED**

3. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

MOTION: Moved by L. Burgoyne and seconded by S. Joudrey to approve the **CARRIED**

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Library Donation from last meeting: M. McDade thanked the SAC for their \$300 donations. With the money she bought 21 books and together they have circulated 34 times since the beginning of the year.

5. Financial Report

The balance in our account is \$2020.25.

6. Correspondence

none

7. Chair Report

The SAC agreement was signed and returned to the Board office.

8. Principal's Report

8.1 Website

There is an SAC tab on the school's website. The names of the members of the committee are on that section. S. McGill asked if we were all ok with having our email on that section and everyone was fine with that.

8.2 Drama

Our Drama Club is back up and running. First meeting was this week - 25 students attended so the turn out was great. The teacher in charge is going to go with this as long as the student support is there.

8.3 Behaviour Support Dog

Tucker has been working with 3 students on a very regular basis. Sherrene talked a bit about the progresses in the program.

8.4. Athletics

Soccer seasons are in the playoffs. Senior Boys are hosting Regionals here on Saturday and Sunday. Volleyball is well underway and it is soon time for basketball teams to begin. Junior High Hockey. We have 12 committed players (NSSAF says there should be 14 players to ice a team) and the team is going to go ahead. Senior high hockey – there has been a proposal in to combine with Bridgewater to make a team, we are waiting to hear back. Football is still in the planning stages – parents of interested players have organized a fundraising committee. 8 coaches attended the coaching clinic this year and there are a few other coaches who were not able to attend – shows we have a lot of volunteers helping out in our school this year and that is great!

8.5. Grade 8 Assessment Results

Results are going out to students tomorrow. J. McMullen reviewed the data with the members. S. McGill said staff will review this data and use it to improve student achievement.

9. Student Updates

9.1 Student Council Update

School clothing – as a fundraiser the Student's Council will be selling a one colour

sweatshirt and one design for \$35 each. It will be announced at the assembly on October 31st. There will be a spirit week during the last week of October. E. Cook suggested having clothing order information out for Parent/Teacher and J. DeLong thought that was a great idea and would make sure that would happen.

9.2 Junior High Update

There is a leadership conference for youth (a youth forum set up) at Bayview Community School organized by Second Story Women's Centre and Heartwood. Mrs. Creaser is the adult supporter going from NGRHS.

10. New Business

10.1 Newsletter

J. McMullen asked the members for feedback about whether or not they thought our school community would like to see a quarterly newsletter. L. Burgoyne said that he would prefer to receive a newsletter and E. Cook echoed his comment. J. DeLong also wanted to see the newsletter continue. Newsletters will be sent out via email unless it was requested otherwise on the correspondence sheet sent out to students at the beginning of the year. The plan with our newsletters is for them to be sent out at report card times (4 times a year).

10.2. Literary Night

There will be Literary night at NGRHS on November 19th at 7pm in the Library. Students and adults are welcome.

10.3 International Students

E. Cook provided a quick update. Our International students are doing well and one has extended their stay here.

11. Adjournment

E. Cook adjourned the meeting at 7:34pm. Seconded by S. Joudrey

Next Meeting Thursday November 27th @ 6:30pm in the library.

Minutes submitted by: S. Delaney