

CKSS SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018

Call to Order:

Meeting Started at 7:04

1. Roll Call

Welcome by Bruce and self-introductions

Present: Bruce Whitehouse - Co-Chair

Fran Leith - Co-Secretary

Tonia Price - Co-Secretary

Jacquie Pece – Principal

Sharon Spencer – Treasurer

Julia Gruehl

Sandra Stewart-Fearnside

Regrets: Carmen Alexander-Nash - Co-chair

2. Adoption of January Agenda

Addition to agenda:

Question: Is there consideration being given to de-streaming in Halton? (There was an article about this being a possibility for the TDSB.)

Discussion: No. It's not feasible due to post secondary requirements, there would be a difficulty in keeping all students engaged, and for teachers to differentiate instruction. Discussion about the benefits of a college degree over a university degree and parent perception. Transferrable skills are important for students for jobs that may not even exist yet.

Motion to accept agenda: Tonia, Second Julia

3. Adoption of October Meeting minutes

Motion to accept: Sharon, Second Julia

4. Principal's Report: Jacquie Pece

- a) It's exam time! EQAO grade 9 math was last week, used instead of an exam, all kids are given extra time, not just students on an IEP. The Math department chooses which questions they use from EQAO as part of the math mark. The end of December to end of exam week is protected time, so only league games are running, no assemblies, clubs, etc. Bussing schedule stays the same during the exam week, students can stay after their exam or find an alternate way home.
- b) If students have 2 exams in one day, they can move one to an alternate time
- c) Winter sports are on hold due to weather
- d) Construction update, delayed, will not be ready for February. Cold weather has added a delay. Hopefully by the end of March for the classrooms, later for the greenhouse. Jacquie has asked to keep the portables for now because enrollment will likely continue to grow (a new high school is slated to open in a few years).

- e) December winter concert was good, shortened time was considered to honour parents' time
- f) Career fair end of May planned by the guidance department, guest speaker Candi Palmater, will come and speak to staff and students

5. Old Business

- PRO Grant 2017-2018 "Active Chefs" program update
March 22 5-8 pm, Dance Avec Moi and an African cultural dance instructor will perform and teach routines to guests, surveys will be completed to determine the menu, invitations for semester 1 classes have been handed out, semester 2 classes will be soon. Invitations for parents will be available afterwards.
- PIC Committee -follow up
Colin Best is available to come in for an update from the Town and Region, we need to find a date
- Authors In Your Neighbourhood follow-up
will update in February

6. New Business

- Motion to strike June meeting: Sharon, second Julia. Motion carried. May meeting to be held at Piper's Heath.
- Blanket activity for parents to understand about Truth and Reconciliation, experiential learning opportunity (invite feeder schools). Monday, April 23 (Council meeting at 6:30, blanket activity at 7:00)

7. **Adjourn: 8:24 Motion to adjourn:** Sandra
Next Meeting: Monday, February 26, 2018 at 7PM.

Addendum to minutes: Place any sprit wear orders ASAP. Order deadline is soon!
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