

Present: Susan Drever, Dawn Drakes, Shannon Everest, Lina Mason, Heather Robinson, JoAnn MacKenzie, Jackie Freeman, Mark Joly, Erin Harris, Tanya Irwin, Hayley Douglas

Pre-Meeting Discussion

Overview of Council positions
Announcement of open positions
Placement of member into open positions
Chair - Susan Drever
Co-Chair - Dawn Drakes
Secretary - remains open
Treasurer - Lina Mason
Policy Reviewer - Heather Robinson (?)
Parish Representative - Jackie Freeman

Call to Order: 7:15pm

Opening Prayer : Susan Drever
Approval of the Agenda: Jackie Freeman 1st, Heather Robinson 2nd
Approval of Minutes: Jackie Freeman 1st, Shannon Everest 2nd
-amendments: correction of Mark Joly's name spelling in Tues, June 8th minutes

REPORTS

Student Council Report: Hayley Douglas & Tanya Irwin (Co-Prime Ministers)

- Terry Fox
 - Friday Oct. 8th - Assembly Day Timetable (activities integrated with 4 scheduled classes)
 - Goal of \$10,000.00 for Terry Fox charity
 - Will be our first dress-down event at the school
 - Have promoted the event in homeroom classes
 - \$5.00 for BBQ
 - \$5.00 for participation/pledge
 - Automatic dialler went home in regards to \$5.00 pledge request.
- UN International Peace Day
 - Banner signed by student body
- Teacher Appreciation Day
 - Homeroom classes completed a short 'positive message' activity for teachers
- Food Drive following Thanksgiving

Staff Report: Erin C. Harris

- to be completed for next meeting due to recent appointment to Council

Principal's Report: Mark Joly

- 2010/2011 Student Enrollment: 218/9's, 204/10's, 220/11's, 251/12's, 893 total
- 2010/2011 Staffing: 49 teachers, 3 SERTS, 2 Guidance, 1 Librarian, 1 Learning to18 Teacher, 1 Student Success Teacher, 2 Vice Principals, 1 Principal
- Catholic Leadership Medal (Call to Service) new to gr 12.
Social Justice Focus
4 Pre-Established Criterion must be completed to qualify
Students are able to bring forward ideas to Mark Joly
- Habitat for Humanity
New opportunity for student groups of 15 senior students
Oct. 19 & 28th Habitat for Humanity Build (Mr. Raynier O'Dell)
Nov. 9th (Mr. Mark Joly)
- Catholic Virtues in Action
Teachers can nominate/recognize students within the classroom, extra curricular, community setting that demonstrate actions that exemplify one of the 10 Catholic Virtues.
They are mailed directly to Parents/Guardians
- Aerial Photograph Initiative
Entire student body & staff will be organized in the school initials (S.S.S.S)
Oct. 21/22nd
- Annual 'Student Success Data Review'
Principal, VP's, Student Success Teacher, Ms. Spolestra, Ms. Hurley, Mr. Poechman, Ms. Bellafontaine.
Will look into 'key indicators of student success'(EQAO, OSSLT, Durham Centre for Success, Speak Up) and review their level of success.
This committee has noted success in our OSSLT, and EQAO scores.
- Durham Centre for Success
Full class enrollment under leadership of Tanya Berezuk.
Parent/Teacher meeting in regards to the program during the first week of school.
Very fortunate to have this program available for our student body, with a high success rate historically
- School Masses
Fr. Paul, Fr. Emmanuel (St. Joseph's), Fr. Peter (St. Francis).
New initiative to proceed with one full-school participation Mass per month (as opposed to 2 separate, smaller Masses) - to build a stronger sense of community.
2 large projection screens have been installed in our Gym to supplement the content of the Masses. Student groups will animate each Mass.
Royals of the Month certificates will also be awarded at the conclusion of Masses.
Dates and times of school Masses will be added to our school webpage.
Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend.
- Specialist High School Major in Manufacturing

St. Stephen Secondary hopes to complete and submit an application for this program by the end of November, 2010

This is a Provincial initiative that will provide students with professional certifications upon program completion.

St. Stephen Secondary wishes to offer programming in the focus area of Manufacturing
Students will begin this program in Grade 11 and finish in Grade 12

They will take 8-10 credits that focus on Manufacturing

Other credits will have contextualized learning units within them to supplement Manufacturing.

Students will leave the program with 3-4 Professional Certifications to carry them into the workforce (industry recognized). Will lead directly into Apprenticeship programs.

There will be 'reach ahead' initiatives between the High School and College (will receive a College transcript for some credits).

- Progress Reports will be mailed next week.
- Parent Teacher Interviews - Oct. 21st, 6:30pm.
- Addiction/Substance Abuse Counsellor Hired
Kelly Mazda will take referrals from parents/guardians, staff, administration
She will work in our school until June, 1 day/week on Mondays.
\$5,600.00/year will be paid by the school.
This initiative will supplement our School Social Worker, Sue VanYzendoorn
- Take Your Kids to Work Day
Nov. 3rd
We will be welcoming our grade 8 students into the school on that day.
- New Additions to our school
Refurbished Food and Nutrition room, Hairstyling facility, Gerontology, Sewing
2 new staff members in support -Mr. Page (construction & technology) & Ms. Tassetelli -
hairstyling)
- A Curriculum Chair will be attending our upcoming Council Meetings.
Math - November
Languages - December
Library/Resource - January
Social Sciences - February
Science - March (will be moved)
Computers/Business/Tech - April
Arts - May
Religion - June

Chair Person's Report: Susan Dreaver

- Thank You
Notes for Graduation Awards were read aloud.
Note from Sheeran was read aloud in regards to her Retirement gift
Letter from St. Stephen Secondary in regards to donation to Graduation awards
- PRO-Grant for 'Health Expo' was submitted in June.

- PVNCCDSB has given the Council \$500.00 to use as they see fit.
Pads of paper & pens have been ordered for parents/guardians to use at Parent/Teacher Interviews.
They will bear the school monogram
- News from PVNCCDSB:
Program on 'Safe Schools' has been initiated in regards to 'Threat Assessment' in the community. It can be found on the Board website for review.
Holy Trinity is hosting an 'All Canadian Forum' on Sept. 6th. Candidates for Mayor will be present between 9:45-10:45am.
Grade 9 EQAO results are posted on the PVNCCDSB website.

Province	82% Academic	40% Applied
Board	83% Academic	55% Applied
St. Stephen	82% Academic	38% Applied

Request for feedback on draft Policies 706 "Valuing Diversity", 816 "Environmental Stewardship"
- Holy Childhood Association request for fundraising will be passed on to Student Council.

Treasurer's Report: Susan Drever (on behalf)

- \$500.00 in our PVNC Program Account (to be spent on Pens/Paper for Parent/Teacher Interviews.)
- \$14.25 in our Council Account (generated from sale of uniforms & 50/50 raffles at Parent Teacher Interviews) from the 2009/2010 school year. Money raised into this account is used to supplement Graduation Awards

CPF (Canadian Parents for French) Report: Susan Drever (on behalf)

- French Language Funding
Fact Sheet was published that outlines funding for students participating in any type of French course in Ontario schools
Immersion registration is increasing, Core French enrollment is declining.
This information will be placed in the Council binder.
- Camp Esprit
Scanlon Creek Conservation Area in Bradford, Feb. 25-27, 2010
Grades 7-9.
Feb. 4 is the registration deadline
Registration fee is \$150.00/members, \$175.00/non-members.
Register on website www.french-future.org.
- National Essay Contest offering Scholarships through www.french-future.org
- National Ambassador Youth Forum for grade 11 students to become ambassadors of bilingualism.
www.french-future.org

Parish Representative Report: Susan Drever (on behalf)

- ‘Theology on Tap’
Maddy’s Pub on Oct. 21st at 7pm
Guest Speaker Dan Carter (reporter from CHEX TV)
- Parish Photo Directory is being organized. See Parish Bulletin for details.
- “Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle”.
Join Fr. Paul in te Greek Islands and Walking in the Footsteps of St. Paul.
Sept. 21-Oct. 1, 2011.
Information Meeting Oct. 13th, 7pm, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

- Addition to the Uniform Code - Shorts?
It will need to concur with policy 805 if we wish to implement.
Discussions usually begin with the School Council. Then the school community votes on it.
We will look at the established list of items at our next meeting (add to agenda)
Francis Vryotes will be contacted to meet with us in the future.
- Need to set dates for future Council Meetings
1st Wednesday of each month
November 3rd
December 1st
February 2nd
April 6th
May 4th
June 1st
- Need to establish an O.A.P.C.E. Representative - Jo-Ann MacKenzie has stepped forward

DISCUSSIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Amendments to the St. Stephen Uniform Code

Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm