

COLONEL BY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017, 7:00pm

Present: Adebimpe Egbeyemi, Carla Bonora, Lise Baillot-Kutukian, Don Wang, Julie Laurendeau, James Gupta, Paromita Deb-Rinker, Hui Cong, Ruth Gallant, Rachel Nakashoji, Steve Spidell, Mary Lebeau, Christine Lalonde, Tracey Pearson, Sumeetu Aggerwal, Geoff Burrows, Lindsay Bell

Absent: Gisell Delgado

Call to Order, welcome and introductions (Adebimpe Egbeyemi)

Brief Description of School Council and Executive

Election of Members

The following members were elected:

Adebimpe Egbeyemi	Don Wang	Lise Baillot-Kutukian	Carla Bonora
Mary Lebeau	Julie Laurendeau	James Gupta	Paromita Deb-Rinker
Tracey Pearson	Sumeetu Aggerwal	Christine Lalonde	Ruth Gallant

Election of Executive Members

The following members were elected to executive positions on the council:

Co-chairs: Adebimpe Egbeyemi, Carla Bonora

Co-Treasurers: Don Wang, Lise Baillot-Kutukian

Co-Secretaries: James Gupta, Julie Laurendeau

Members at large (voting)

Mary Lebeau, Paromita Deb-Rinker, Ruth Gallant, Tracey Pearson, Christine Lalonde, Sumeetu Aggerwal

Other members (non-voting)

OCASC Rep: Gisele Delgado will not be able to attend Tuesday CB School Council meetings, but she has offered to attend OCASC meetings and forward her notes to council

IB Rep: Hui Cong has offered to help in this role.

Principal's Report (Steve Spidell)

1. Welcome and Introduction
 - a. Principal Spidell has a background as a teacher, guidance counselor and most recently as the principal of Rideau High School
 - b. His educational philosophy is based on a "students first" style
 - c. He has a strong focus on at-risk learners: Special Education; First Nations, Metis and Inuit; English Language Learners and economically-challenged students
2. Staffing
 - a. The initial staffing allocation was based on a projected enrollment of 1123 students. There are currently 1130, which warrants 4 advanced sections (extra classes)
 - b. The staff includes 9 long-term occasional (LTO) teachers
 - c. There is a 0.33 LTO vacancy for French and Tech, which is a difficult combination from a recruiting standpoint
3. Start-Up
 - a. This year started off, remarkably, with zero timetable conflicts. Timetable changes can be accommodated until Sept. 27
 - b. The Link Crew has successfully staged a BBQ, welcome activities, AFU and SFU for the new students
 - c. Athletics is off to a good start: interscholastic try-outs and the season start-ups are underway. Thanks to the coaches for their great efforts!
4. School Info
 - a. Meet-the-Teacher Night is scheduled for Sept. 21, 5:15-8:00pm.
 - b. This year's Grade 12 prom will be a non-school event. This means that the school will not be able to help with finances, banking,

contracts, etc. Some parents have already expressed a willingness to help the students to organize their event.

- c. The grade 9 leadership camp will take place Sept. 28, 29. 130 students are participating.
- d. IB update: grade 9 and 12 info sessions were held last week; grade 10 and 11 are upcoming. Grade 12 IB students should be submitting their extended essay drafts to their supervisors by the end of September.

5. System and Ministry Update

- a. OCDSB website and impact on colonelby.com.
- b. The Ontario curriculum is being refreshed. There will be an expanded use of math-specific data from the EQAO. Grade 9 will be de-streamed. Provincial report cards will have a new format.
- c. Assessment & Evaluation: updates to PR.584.CUR. Teachers are encouraged to share their assessment & evaluation plans with students.

Staff Report (Rachel Nakashoji)

- College and University lunchtime visits are beginning. The main sessions with all university reps is scheduled for Oct. 24.
- All classes have had a brief visit from Guidance.
- There is a “Remind” app (see “CB Grade 12”) which can send text or email alerts to grade 12 students for applications dates, etc.
- A food drive is planned for Sept. 25, followed by a neighbourhood collection on Sept. 27. The winning class gets a pizza lunch.
- The FAST food festival is planned for Oct. 4, 4:30 on the field. It will feature a concert and food sale to benefit Hurricane Irma relief.
- Orange Shirt Day will be held to raise awareness of residential school issues.

Finance Report (Lise Baillot-Kutukian)

- The June balance was \$2481.87.
- School Council provided \$1800 to the school to purchase 5 new chromebooks.

- July's balance of \$666.26 is the final school council balance for the 2016-2017 year.
- Lise sent the School Council Treasurer' Report for the 2016-2017 to the board on Sept.16.
- The School Council binder will be presented to school admin by Sept. 30.

School Council Report (Adebimpe Egbeyemi)

- There was some discussion regarding the possibility of streamlining Council banking with the school; discussion regarding School Cash Online. There was some confusion with the form for Council fees.
- School Council Training is scheduled for Nov. 18, locations, details to be confirmed.
- Giselle will submit a cheque for the CB School Council fee to OCASC.
- The constitution will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Topics of interest for speakers will be discussed at the next meeting.

Closing (Adebimpe Egbeyemi)

- Next Meeting: Tues. Oct. 17 at 7:00pm
- Meeting adjourned

Minutes prepared by

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