

Meeting Minutes
Sunnyside School Council
October 28th, 2020 - 6:30-7:30pm
Virtual Meeting

Attendance:

Parents: Kurt Rahnenfuehrer, Megan Dutra, Erin Hagey, Driton Qeriqi
Staff: Julia Passmore, Charmaine deBoer, John Howison
Regrets: Charity Frey

Principal Report – Julia

- Return to Clubs – Buzz around school has been amazing as these programs return. A Thank you to the teachers for the efforts into both running the program and handing the additional covid protocols to make this a success.
- Return to some rotary withing the school. This will be limited to classes with special equipment requirements including Arts, Tech, and Music. This cannot start until construction within the school is over. Should be completed within a few more weeks.
- Return to lockers under consideration. This will be a challenge due to social distance requirements.
- Progress Reports – Nov 15th. No assigned day for parent teacher interviews. Parents can reach out to teachers directly if meetings are required.
- Direct Tool – Step by step on how to identify and deal with any and inflammatory hate speech. [See Image Below for details]

Teacher Report – Charmaine

- Return to clubs. – Everyone is excited for the opportunities for teachers and students to have some non-academic based interactions.
 - Soccer, Basketball, Girls Groups are among those that have started.
 - Permissions forms are required for parents to understand risks with cohort mixing
- SAC group (apx 50 students) has also been started. The group is working on Spirit event for tomorrow running various events and activities both indoor and outdoor. These events are 100% run by students.
- Kitchener Gospel Temple made a large donation of running shoes and water bottles and food gift cards to be distributed to students in need. The school community is very thankful for their continued contributions.

Fundraising – Kurt

- Fundraising Cards went out to all students along with a letter advertising the program to families.

Elections – Kurt

- Council Members for 2021/2022
 - Kurt Rahnenfuehrer
 - Megan Dutra
 - Erin Hagey
 - Driton Qeriqi
- Council Executive for 2021/2022
 - Chair/Treasurer – Kurt Rahnenfuehrer

- Secretary – Erin Hagey

Other Items

- No word yet if Waterloo Public Health will resume onsite School Vaccine Clinics for (Hepatitis B, HPV, and/or Meningococcal)

Next Meeting: Thursday December 2nd @6:30 2021

DEALING DIRECTLY WITH DISCRIMINATION IN OUR SCHOOLS

The WRDSB stands firm against incidents of discrimination. We must take incidents of discrimination very seriously. Through policies, guidelines and procedures, the WRDSB has outlined the steps that school administrators and staff must take to understand, address and prevent discrimination in our schools. WRDSB staff are expected to deal directly with discrimination in our schools by stopping, interrupting, naming, and reporting discrimination (IS-19-03-WRDSB-Incident-Reporting).

This is a tool to support staff in dealing directly with discrimination. If an incident of discrimination occurs, follow these **DIRECT** steps:

- D** Dialogue with everyone involved in the incident.
- I** Identify the behaviour(s) and make it clear how the behaviour(s) is harmful, discriminatory, inappropriate, and not acceptable.
- R** Reinforce our commitment to human rights, equity, and safe and inclusive schools. Explain Safe and Inclusive School policies.
- E** Educate those involved as to why the behaviour was discriminatory.
- C** Communicate to those impacted when appropriate action has been taken.
- T** Transform the situation by examining the school culture, providing opportunities for individual, group and school-wide learning, and identifying and eliminating barriers to student well-being and achievement.