

Laura Secord Secondary School  
SCHOOL COUNCIL – MINUTES  
Monday May 14, 2018

PRESENT: Cathy Sonier, Jennifer Johnson, Lori Blake, Tracey Turavani, Kelly Vlaar, Abbey Johnstone, Kyle Martin, Pratima Burton, Richard Juritsch, Jeannette Johnstone

Regrets: Ruth Hernder, Jean Kozela

1. **Call to Order & Welcome** Sonier/Johnson
  - Meeting started at 7:05 pm
  
2. **Adoption of Agenda** Sonier/Johnson
  - No Guidance report this month – remove
  
3. **Review and Approval of April Minutes** Sonier/Johnson
  - Reviewed and approved
  - Can be posted on the website & distributed
  
4. **Correspondence** Sonier/Johnson
  
5. **Reports**
  - a. Student Union Report Kyle Martin
    - Found that Coffee House was a bit chaotic in the new venue
      - Goals were achieved in the long run
      - Looking to purchase their own LED lights
    - Twin Day: lemonade for lunch but found 15L was not enough
      - Competition next time will have more structure
    - Battle of the Bands – May 17
      - Doors open at 6:00 pm
      - 4 visiting judges – Scott R., Joel L., Damien B.,
      - Prizes: \$100 gift card
      - Tickets are \$4 ahead, \$6 at door
      - All proceeds go to Student Union
      - Long & McQuade rental - \$211 for equipment
  
  - b. Prefect Report Abbey Johnstone
    - Ran the Rankin Run Prep Assembly
    - Head Prefect Elections – Leah Klassen new Head Prefect
      - Assistant will be Grania McPharland
    - May 10<sup>th</sup> – 2 assemblies “Unlearn” helped out
    - New Prefects for next year – scaling back to 20 from 29
    - Grad Breakfast – not sure of duties yet
    - May 28<sup>th</sup> – Leadership Trip to Canada’s Wonderland

- Graduation – big event for Prefects
- c. Principal's Report P. Burton
- Ruth not here tonight so Pratima our VP presented the report
  - Staff Changes
    - Retirements this year: Julie Clark, Cindy Crosbie, Gord Fast, Dave Sisler, & Ken Gill
  - PA Day on Friday May 18, 2018
  - Spring Music Concert on Jun 12, 2018
  - Athletic Banquet on Jun 15, 2018
  - Grade 9 EQAO Math Test on Jun 15, 2018
  - Exams start June 20 to June 25
  - Graduation is June 28, 2018
  - Booking of next year's School Council Meeting dates:
    - Sep 17
    - Oct 15
    - Nov 19
    - Jan 21
    - Feb 11
    - Apr 15
    - May 13
    - Jun 10
- The Retirement Party at the school: tickets are available for \$20 each.
- d. Guidance Report ~~L. Wilson~~
- e. Treasurer's Report J. Kozela
- Jean not attending – sent via email

I have attached my **Treasurer's Report** for the month, on it you can see another cheque being paid out for a ticket fill up, which means a cheque to us should be expected soon. We have **\$1216.98** in the school account, and **\$1837.14** in our Nevada account which is Total of **\$ 3054.12**. With our commitments for this year and the beginning of next we have **\$1104.12** available for next year.

We are definitely good for our scholarships for this year (as committed to - 5 at \$250.00 each) and have most of the money for next years as well. I have sent an email to Leslie Wilson to forward me the names of the recipients once the committee decides. If she attends the meeting , kindly remind her to look for my email so she has it so respond to when the time comes.

Reminder - **PIC funds** – We used \$129.08 for the banner and \$49.04 for the name tags – which leaves us a balance of \$321.88 less what we give to the school towards photocopies (\$50?) or anything Ruth thinks we should contribute to? Also I added a section to my Report for this so I can keep track of this next year as we go along.

**Graduation donation:** do we want to keep the donation at \$500.00 for this year and discuss a change next year depending on funds, or lower it a bit this year? I do feel we are okay for this year, but may need to pull it back a bit next year if necessary – but we can wait and see how the year pans out for ticket sales.

f. Event Volunteer Committee (EVC)

T. Turavani

- EVC was in attendance at the Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Coffee House – chaperones
- Trivia Night
- upcoming Grad – volunteers needed to serve cake
  - Kelly & Sandy are available

**6. Adoption of Reports**

- Adopted as presented by consensus

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

- PRO Grant – application update K. Vlaar
  - Application was submitted Apr 21, 2018
  - Kelly stressed that we need a keynote speaker for “teen success” theme for our event next year
  - Perhaps ask PIC for ideas
  - Will hold probably in May 2019
- June 2018 Graduation
- Selection of Election Committee for 2018/2019 school year
  - Jean Kozela & Richard Juritsch volunteered again
- Dates to remember:
  - Dance Showcase – maybe May 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Cappies – May 23 in at Welland Centennial in Welland, Ontario

**8. Next Meeting**

- Social Dinner – June 13 or 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Venue will be Cafe Amore, St. Catharines
  - Need reservations for 12 at 7:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Minutes taken by: Lori Blake, Jennifer Johnson