

Chairperson: Wendy Piccinin **Recorder:** Luisa Alfonso and Suzanne Belcamino **Date:** April 26, 2010

In attendance: Anita Caruso, Ron Lee Kam, Eugema Ings, Wendy Piccinin, Ellen Mortfield, Suzanne Belcamino, Luisa Alfonso and Wayne Fletcher.

Regrets: Joy Himmelman and Carol McNeice

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action/Decision	Responsibility
Welcome and Introductions	Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm	
Review and approval of Agenda	MOVED BY: Suzanne Belcamino SECONDED BY: Ellen Mortfield	
Review and approval of last minutes	MOVED BY: Ellen Mortfield SECONDED BY: Anita Caruso With amendments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Business arising from minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Review of School Council Policy and School Council Procedures</u> – Council decided to go to the board website and provide feedback directly to the board. • <u>PROGRANT</u>- Went to PIC committee. Pat Rose stated they do not want money back but we have to send itemized expenses. How did we spend money? Can we run another event? It was suggested that we submit our bills. If we want to do this again, next proposal must be put it in by the end of June. <p><u>Scholarship Criteria</u> – <i>The Council Scholarship Committee</i> were unable to meet. They will meet A.S.A.P., report back to the council by e-mail and have the new criteria ready before the <i>School Scholarship Committee meet.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Book Review/assessment Committee</u> - Joy attended but did not provide a report as she did not attend Parent Council meeting 	Luisa Alfonso
Burning issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 12 Physics – cancelled. Only <u>6</u> students opted for physics. Board gives a certain number of periods and school must balance periods given with periods needed. Math for College Technology Course was also cancelled due to lack of enrollment. • Web site more info re: school council. The council checked into it at the end of the meeting. The information is there. It needs to be changed. School Council is under committee heading. The Council would like to have its own link. 	
Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Lawrence College • Presentation brochure • \$15. Chapter Gift Card 	Luisa Alfonso

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Committee Reports	<p>Student Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On April 15 and 16, grade 9 and 12 students (45) participated in a leadership retreat at Kingfisher Lake. It was amazing to see how quickly the grades nine and twelve jelled together into a cohesive group. The grade 9s were excited, participated fully and had an amazing experience. The grade 12s stated that the grade 9 were a bunch of “<i>cool kids</i>” who were great participants. • April 16, a representative from Volunteer Thunder Bay was in at lunch to promote opportunities for students. SAC will be organizing a team for the mayor’s walk in May. Fundraising through bake sales and donations. Part of proceeds go to the charity of our choice. • On May 11, SAC will be hosting a local bands concert in the cafeteria from 6:30 – 10:30. Profits will be donated to Kids Help Phone. It is open to the public \$5.00. • Shortly we will be calling for applications for 2010-2011 SAC council (executive and reps.) If we have challengers for positions, hopefully we can have an assembly and vote in mid May. • Purple Pinky in May but difficulty contacting someone. 30 Hour Famine on April 9. Really good group that participated. Played games, watched movies. Organized by Chelsea Millette and Sam Sitar. Great job. 	<p>Suzanne Belcamino</p>
	<p>Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High School Idol occurred on April 23 – 24. Very successful. A lot of work on the part of Mr. Naroski to allow students to showcase their talents. • Student teachers will be leaving tomorrow, Tuesday, April 27. Positive feedback has been given by them with regards to their placement. • P. D. Day on Friday, April 30. Staff will be participating in department and whole school activities. P. D. choices have been provided to staff. • On Saturday May 8, 15 students will be attending the OSSTF Student Awards Banquet at Confederation College. These students won awards for excellence in various areas. 35 other awards will be given to students from Gr. 9 – 12 at the in school awards presentation. • Staff will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner for Gr. 9 families at Superior on Thursday, May 6. Rob Magnusson is coordinating this event celebrating Grade 9 achievement. • May 10th – Web attendance will commence at the school.. 	<p>Suzanne Belcamino</p>
	<p>Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pink Day – celebrating Diversity. Good media coverage. • Presentation by 3 nuclear physicists – simultaneous web cast and questions from all across Canada. 	<p>Wayne Fletcher</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-bullying Grant (youthscape) for feeder schools grades 5/6. Students created skits. • Thursday, April 29 Cree Opera. \$15 for public, 7:00 pm. • Meeting for Graduation Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Karen Gowanlock created invitations - Stage made by Technology teachers - Reception in Cafeteria • Alternative Education (SAM, Storefront, College Link, etc.) are going to have a separate graduation ceremony. Ceremony will be the following Friday in cafetorium. • SSSI (Secondary School Success Initiative). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - focus on non core courses success (re art, phys-ed, etc.) - Student voice, teacher area, parent involvement. 3 small subgroups. - School Council may want to have a table out for parents at grade 9 night – invite to staff and family. - Results of Superior seen by Ministry. Core credits – at or above pass rates provincial 72% all 8 credits. - Non- course – high failure rate. Project will be next year as well. - Project. 4 schools in NW Ontario have projects. Geraldton, Marathon, Sioux Lookout and Superior. Looking at interacting with different schools. Learning from each other. • PD Day – Moderated Marking Workshop and period 5 cancelled for teachers • Staffing – 880 students FTE. Principal thinks it is conservative. Right now we are at 860. Hold numbers by October 31/2010. Principal will declare school surplus – This process will take place through May and June. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 235 Grade 9 confirmed - 26 separate board student enrolled - 53 transfer from Hammarskjold <p>Held our zone very well.</p> • City wide Aboriginal Awards. Two of our students are recipients. They will receive their award at banquet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Character and Academics • Retirement - Tine Schrijvers 	
	<p>Council of Chairs' Report Blair was not in attendance to give report.</p>	<p>Blair Welch-Clark</p>
	<p>Budget –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 1,515.77 	<p>Luisa Alfonso</p>

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	<p>Home and School Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM – Alieah Brown Gr. 10 Citizenship Award. Once a year grade 10 award. Cheque of \$100, certificate and home/school pin. Nominees receive a certificate. • Home and School – What is it? Information. Eugema handed out information. • Parents are more interested in workshops. Non-profit group so group needs to fundraise. Home and School is under federation rules. • Movie night was very low! Told students that they must guarantee 50 students before organize it again. 	<p>Eugema Ings</p>
Policies and Procedures under Review		
New Business		
Adjournment	Council adjourned at 8:40	
Next meeting: May 31 at 5:30 p.m. at Prince Arthur Hotel		