

Superior Community School: Parent Council Minutes

Chairperson: Joy Himmelman **Recorder:** Luisa Alfonso and Suzanne Belcamino **Date:** February 22, 2010

In attendance: Blair Welch-Clark, Carol McNeice, Anita Caruso, Ron Lee Kam, Suzanne Belcamino, Janet Twomey, Joy Himmelman, Wendy Piccinin, Luisa Alfonso and Wayne Fletcher.

Regrets: Sue Taylor, Ellen Mortfield, Thomas Sinclair and Eugema Ings.

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action/Decision	Responsibility
Welcome and Introductions	Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:05	
Review and approval of Agenda	MOVED BY: Anita Caruso (with amendments) SECONDED BY: Suzanne Belcamino	
Review and approval of last minutes	MOVED BY: Ron Lee Kam SECONDED BY: Carol McNeice	
Business arising from minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Review of February 4th event - “Preventing Eating Problems”</u> – 29 people attended. Very informative. First Part: Dietician presentation and slide show. Second Part: Young women, members of Youth Advisory Council, testimonial was very powerful. Followed up with questions • <u>Pro Grant-budget review</u>- Approved for \$1,000. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$355. - advertisement 93. – food 90. – umbrellas <p>Total \$538. Ron will follow up as to when cheque is coming and any accounting practices which need to be done. Luisa to ask Bev for receipts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey. Please see attached. 	Joy: thank you note to Sheena Larson and Mrs. Gowanlock for poster.
Burning issues	Ron – There are no sidewalks on High Street. Wayne stated that the school had put a sidewalk on the front. West side has it. People living on East side of street brought the issue to Brian McKinnon and Mr. Foulds, City of Thunder Bay Councillors. Mr. McKinnon talked to Mr. Fletcher. Brought to the attention of city.	
Correspondence	None – check: www.#1ineducation	Luisa Alfonso

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Committee Reports	<p>Student Council – The students have been busy this February with various events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spirit Week the second week of February where each day that had various events planned such Pajama Day and retro school clothing day (PACI-HILLCREST). - “Show You Care Dance” on February 11 to raise money for a child in a developing nation. This dance was not well attended and we spent more money than we made - The biggest project is semi-formal dinner and dance on Friday, March 5. The theme is around the world. Ticket sales has been extremely slow and there is the threat of canceling. Wayne is going to put out a synervice about it tonight and Tuesday. We must sell at least 150 tickets. We are getting closer so hopefully this event will run. Students are continuing to plan decorations and other event details. - This week Freak Friday event will be a jello eating contest. - Students are actively encouraging new members to join SAC as the membership has dwindled. 	Madeline Reinikka (Absent)
	<p>Staff –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The staff is now three weeks in to semester II classes and have some routine to their classes and many will begin preparations for students teachers after March Break. - Staff were inquiring when the wireless is going to be up and running as many students can access the login screen but do not have the security key. Will staff be given instructions when and how to access this wireless services? – - Open House Grade 8 although well attended, many classrooms were not visited. Some staff suggest an alternative to simply wandering. Suggestions from parent council? - Parents picking up students directly in front of side door. Blocking Hagy bus and there was an incident of a car going on to the sidewalk and blocking cars from exiting out of their spots when they are leaving for an appointment. 	Suzanne Belcamino
	<p>Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SSSI Project – Pass rate for non-core Gr. 9 courses. Non core (Music, Phys Ed. Arts) \$50,000 attached to the project. It will extend into next year. - Literacy Preparation for Gr. 10 has started. - Haven’t heard yet from Gr. 9. Math EQAO – think the results are better. Only two students left it blank. Our scores in Math and Literacy have been rising. - Gr. 8 Night – Kick off to registration – need numbers before March Break. Most people were not from feeder schools. Registration from Christian School, Westview, Bishop Gallagher, Bishop E. Q. Jennings increased this year. - Decisions will be taken around March Break (transfer Process Decided) 	Wayne Fletcher

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two years ago for every 4 Gr. 9 students going to Hammarskjold, 1 student went to Hillcrest. Last Year for every 2 students going to Hammarskjold 2 students went to Hillcrest. This year Gr. 9 – every single Walter Postar Winner is at Superior C.V.I. - Three years ago 40% Academic 60% of population were boys - Now 60% Superior Academic 51% boys - Parents Night – March 11, 2010 - Gywnne Dyer presentation was given to Gr. 11 and 12 students - Family Day – Heart and Stroke had a Pancake Breakfast. - Building usage very high. As winter sports ending, building usage slow right now. Participation level very High. - Laptops issued to teachers on February 1st. - Will be going to web attendance - We pay 10 times the rate schools in Toronto pay for wireless internet. - Report cards were sent out. - Early dismissal on February 26 for PLC - Graduation meeting update - Information letter will be sent out parents with generic info – re date. - Patricia Lag, Confederation College, will shadow Wayne on Tuesday, February 23 for the day. 	
	<p>Council of Chairs' Report</p> <p>Calendar Committee – December 17 – last day school. Bringing to Council Trustee P. A. Day on September 3 – students will start on September 7th.</p> <p>School Council of Chairs (CSCC) Mrs. McNeice's daughter did a presentation on national engineering week for Gr. 5 – 8. Mr. Tsekouras, Mr. Nugent and Mr. Covello – talking about family of schools, Student Success, full day kindergarten registration night.</p>	Blair Welch-Clark
	<p>Budget – Budget \$ 1,515.02 Expenses \$ 436.91 Available \$ 1,078.11</p>	Luisa Alfonso
	<p>Website –</p>	
	<p>Home and School Association –</p>	Eugema Ings

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	Not available	Absent
Policies and Procedures under Review		
New Business	<p><u>Review and approval of Superior Council By-Laws</u> – The Council reviewed the By Laws and made a few amendments. MOTION: That this council accept as amended the First Superior C.V.I. By-Laws MOVED BY: Blair Welch-Clark SECONDED BY: Wendy Piccinin CARRIED.</p> <p>Mrs. McNeice is going to edit final copy and then send to Ron for proofread then will send to members of the council.</p> <p>Time Capsule - To be open in 50 years. It has been built. Display case, across main office has a false floor, ideal to put it in. Next meeting bring ideas as of what this council put in the capsule.</p>	
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm	
Next meeting: March 29 at 7:00 pm, Seminar Room		