

## MINUTES OF W.O.S.S. SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 15, 2012

**Present:** Sherry Kirkham, John Stieva, Lou Smeyers, Kelly Amos, Walid Esefan , Zain Khan, Anna Blacklock, Paula Kostaske, Yana Wang, Sandra Bailey, Tara Hamilton, Mona Garde, Cate Mistruzzi, Liz Willis, Melissa Janes, Maureen Smithers

**Regrets:** Siobhan Parker, Doug Bunney, Raj Kahlon, Carol Mitchell, Vicki Ranger Oates

1. **WELCOME** by Sherry Kirkham. – 7:15 pm

2. **STUDENT REP REPORT** BY Zain Khan.

- a) Spirit Week – Oct 15 -19
- b) October 25<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Dance – some discussion around on how to get more Gr. 9 attendance via participating at the dance by being part of the Social Committee
  - a. Only WOSS students are allowed at the dance
- c) Elections were held and now have a reps for each grade including the North Campus
- d) October 31<sup>st</sup> and Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> – donation of canned goods “No Can No Can Park” fundraising
- e) Considering a video game tournament to increase student involvement

3. **MINUTES FROM MAY MEETING.** Motion to adopt last meeting minutes by Paula Kostaske and seconded by Sandra Bailey.

4. **TREASURER’S REPORT** by Sherry Kirkham. No change in report from last meeting. Current balance per the report is \$2301.17 but should be \$2,347.17 – a difference of \$46.00 which is being looked into Motion to approve financial statement not needed since no change from previous meeting

- a) New business manager – Elliott Acheson

**CHAIR’S REPORT** by Sherry Kirkham.

- a) Generated a list of speakers and/or topics for discussion at future council meetings
- b) Reminded of the PIC Conference to be held October 20<sup>th</sup> at MM Robinson High School in Burlington – keynote speaker to be David Booth, speaking on Parents, Technology and Literacy.
- c) Confirmed - Michael Reist for November 21<sup>st</sup> to speak about Teens and Mental Health – potentially piggy back food donation drive - Sherry will need parents to help with flyers and on the night of the event.
- d) Elections for selected council executive positions were held
  - a. Sherri Kirkham - acclaimed - Council Chair
  - b. Walid Esefan - acclaimed - Vice Council Chair
  - c. Siobhon Parker - acclaimed – Secretary
  - d. Lou Smeyers – acclaimed – Treasurer
  - e. Fundraising Committee - Sandra Bailey, Walid Esefan, Tara Hamilton, Yana Wang (resources will be Kelly Amos and Sherry Kirkham)

6. **PRINCIPAL’S REPORT** - John Stieva.

- a) Bill 115 – teachers have begun to withdraw services – “extra – curricular “ – some senior WOSS students are stepping up to provide support and guidance

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- i. The winter sport activities could in jeopardy
- b) Kenya Trip has been delayed to end of May 2012 due to political unrest in the region – right now there are 18 – 20 students and parents / teacher attending
- c) Field Trips – schedule still being compiled
- d) Carmen Gassi – awarded “Prime Minister Award of Excellence – received a trip to Ottawa, \$2,500 for his award and \$2,500 to WOSS – all being used toward the school – the Oakville Beaver has a article published
- e) Morning announcements are posted on the WOSS website for up-coming future dates – excellent resource

**7. COMPASS PROGRAM PRESENTATION** - Cate Mistruzzi and T. Beck

- a) Presented mission statement, goal and objectives, statistics about WOSS and a basic overview of the program via a power point slide show

**8. OTHER –** Kelly Amos – brief comment on Bill 115

Motion to Adjourn by Paula Kostesku, seconded by Walid at 9:35pm.

**NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY, November 19, 2012 AT 7 P.M.**