

Minutes

Robert Service School Council Minutes

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

START TIME – 6:30 p.m.

Robert Service School Community Library

Present: Joanne Sherrard, Suzanne Crocker, Pat Berrel, Melissa Flynn, Carrie Breneman, Cara MacAdam, Cecile Fage and Simon Nagano

Regrets: Coralee Rudachyk and Lisa Favron

1. Call to order: 6:37
2. Acceptance of Agenda: Moved: Joanne Sherrard; Seconded: Cecile Fage
3. Correspondence:
4. Delegations/Presentations
5. Review and Acceptance of Minutes:

November 14, 2018: Moved: Joanne Sherrard; Seconded: Suzanne Crocker

6. Business arising from Minutes

6.1. Funding for tutoring – Status update – Tabled until Helen Returns
Money is typically received in December, which is too late. Question to ask the Department of Education – request that schools apply for funding in April and receive money in September.

7. New Business:

7.1 Policy Review – Graduation Policy

Wording in the graduation policy was discussed among School administration and School Council. There was some confusion regarding the difference between leaving certificates versus high-school diplomas.

Agreed that the wording in 1.1 Procedure Commencement 1..... will be considered a Grade 12 student. to 1.1. Procedure Commencement 1.... will be considered for a Grade 12 diploma.

Agreed to remove sections: 1.1. IV, V and VI. and Section 2.1, IV from the policy.

Suzanne will review the Graduation Policy with Helen and possibly have additional recommendations on changes.

8. Correspondence: None

9. Reports

9.1 Principal's Report:

- Three-Way Conferences would be happening in December
 - There was a discussion around the pros and cons of Student-Led Conference versus a more traditional three-way conference.
 - Some parents find a 3-way conference too intimidating and it is a more inclusive model. Some parents find that they don't fully understand how their child is doing with a student led conference and that it can be difficult to talk to the teacher with other people in the room.
- Pat agreed to summarize the FSA results for School Council and present them at the next meeting.
- Celebration of Learning will take place on December 13.
- FOXY and SMASH were in the school on December 3 and grades 10 & 11 participated.
- Photographer was hired and school pictures were completed.

7.2 TH Report:

- TH Christmas Feast is on December 15.

7.3. Chair's Report:

7.4 Student Council:

Hosted a Christmas Dance

8. Community Concerns:

Celebration of Learning: There was little notice of the celebration of learning and that kids would be off of school for the day. Everyone agreed that in the future there should be more notice.

9. Next Meeting Time and Place: November 14, 2018, 6:30 Dawson Library

10. Adjournment: 8:55