

GEORGE S HENRY ACADEMY SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES



Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Conference Room

In Attendance

Laura Pagnotta, Principal	Malalai Majboor	Nadia Gonzalez
Paul Cook, Chair	Lisean Roye-Stewart	Ania Sosa Gonzalez
Utovia Stewart, SAC President	Nii Marmon	
Shayan Shabafroozan, SAC VP	Lubna Daniyal	

Approval of the Minutes

- September minutes were reviewed and approved.

Student Activity Council Presentation

- Utovia Stewart (President) and Shayan Shabafroozan (Vice President) made a presentation to parent council about activities that have taken place at George S Henry thus far, and activities and events planned for the future.
- Slideshow of presentation can be found with the following link: [SAC Presentation](#)

Principal's Update

- Current Enrolment is 494 FTE. We got an additional 0.5 FTE staff for semester 1 which resulted in the opening of 3 new class sections. We will be making a request for additional staffing for Semester 2 as many students are on waitlists for courses or have an incomplete timetable.
- Next Tuesday, November 28 we will be hosting our Grade 8 Open House. School presentation to our feeder schools have already occurred
- For 2024/2025 we will be limited to optional attendance – deadline for families who are out of area to apply is January 26, 2024
- Last week the school held a Semi-Formal coordinated by the Prom committee. Very successful event, approximately 20% of student body purchased tickets.
- Prom date: May 30th; Academy Awards date: June 10th

- Winter Athletics season is in full swing with the following teams: Jr/Sr Girls Volleyball, Wrestling, Swimming, Jr/Sr Boys Basketball.

School Council By-Law Review

- School Council By-Laws will be emailed to parents who attended the meeting for input on the existing By-Laws. Parents to email Principal if they have any suggestions or concerns,

Other Business

- Call for members to join School Council Executive. Vacancies exist for Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer.
- Interested parents will be contacted by School Principal.

Tour School Library

- School Library has been closed since Spring 2020 due to Covid and construction.
- Construction work was completed, and the library opened to the students in mid-October.
- Parents were shown school library. Happy to see it – looks great.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm