

Humberside Collegiate Institute (HCI)

School Advisory Council Minutes

Monday February 24 at 7pm - Library Main Floor

Present Joanna Foster, Ayana Ibrahimi, Kim McLaren, Glenn Dunphy, Paras Bhargava, Dan Sellen, Randall Hansen

7:00pm Welcome, Introductions, Actions

- Declaration of conflict of interest: None.
- Approval of December 16 meeting minutes: G. Dunphy moved, A. Ibrahimi seconded.
- Agenda approval: R. Hansen moved, P. Bhargava seconded.

7:05 - 7:10 Student Council Report

7:10 - 7:15 Report from Chair (R. Hansen)

The committee considered a letter from OSSTF Toronto District 12 asking the SAC to pass a motion in opposition to the government's plans for Ontario Schools. The motion was proposed and passed.

The committee discussed the self-compassion workshop. It is a great success; fully 92 people registered.

The committee returned to the issue of posting marks online consistently across all classes. There was unavoidably no progress because there are no meetings given the ongoing strike.

Action: K. McLaren to explore once the School is reopened and industrial action ended.

7:10 – 7:15 Teacher Report

None.

7:15 – 7:20 Principal's/VP's Report (K. McLaren/I. Lopez/R. Palmer)

The principal noted that the strike action is continuing, but that there is nothing new to report [NB: strike action has been paused in the light of the Covid 19 pandemic]. She also noted that the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test may not go ahead this year because of the strike.

One member raised the issue of streaming. The principal reported that an end to streaming is mandated by 2021, but that anyone who opted for the applied stream before that date will be 'grandparented' in. The principal noted that streaming will affect Humberside less because relatively few students are in the applied stream, but there are concerns that some students who would otherwise have opted for applied will have severe challenges in academic math.

The principal reported on the graduation venue: the School will hold it in Lismar with up to two guests. Other guests will watch from the gym via video conferencing. This is a pilot project for the School. NB: this decision predated the Covid 19 epidemic.

7:20 – 7:45 Standing Committee Reports

7:20 to 7:25 Safe & Caring Schools (Amy Mulhern & Katherine Cole)

There was no meeting and thus nothing to report.

7:25 to 7:30 Treasurer (Paras Bhargava)

The treasurer noted that we will spend both our \$1500 annual allotment and our savings this year. As we would lose both were they not used, this is excellent news.

7:30 to 7:35 Communications (Helen Kula)

Nothing to report.

7:35 to 7:40 Ward 7 (Glenn Dunphy & Jillian Kohler)

Minutes for the next meeting have been circulated, and it will take place on February 25.

7:45 – 8:30 Other Business

8:30pm Adjournment of meeting

The next HCI School Advisory Council meeting has been cancelled because of the Covid 19 epidemic.