

MACDONALD CI

SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES



Date: March 30, 2022

Time: 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Location: Virtual Video Conference

Facilitator: Sunila Akbar

Minutes Recorder: Aleka Kentros

In Attendance

Sunila Akbar, Chair	April Shi	Efrosini Papaconstantinou
Helen Vokas, Principal	Romana Ali Asif	Nancy Whitley
Laura Pagnotta, Vice Principal	Wendy Yamamoto Smith	Addsion Hung
Clenton Morrison, Vice Principal	Shahla Mehran	Nicole R
Gina Yang	Helen K	Tina Smilis
Opal M	Christine Cockburn	Gina Yang
Nora Pratter	Eleni Papaconstantinou	Aleka Kentros

Welcome and Introductions

We begin our meetings with the Land Acknowledgement.

Chair: Sunila Akbar

Secretary: Aleka Kentros

Treasurer: Tina Smilis

Member at Large: Gina Yang

Principal's Report:

Virtual School:

- Will be its own school and staffed according to student enrolment of 1500 at the secondary level.
- 26 students from Macdonald have opted for virtual school.

New Graduation Requirement (PPM 167 Online Learning):

- This new requirement applies to students who entered Grade 9 on or after September 1, 2020.
- The Ministry of Education now requires secondary students to complete two e-Learning credits as part of their 30 credits to earn their Ontario Secondary School Diploma.
- e-Learning credit courses are delivered online using an asynchronous model (students complete the assigned work independently)
- Parents may choose to opt-out of e-Learning which means that the new graduation requirement is lifted. The opt-out form will need to be filed in the Ontario Student Record. (Part of Permission Click and Course selection process for 2022-23)
- As a school we will plan to offer courses in the senior grades as not to disrupt the grade 9 and 10 learning experience.

Facilities: Cafeteria is undergoing some painting as well as the installation of the living wall by the Mac Makers and Creators for Change Club and Grade 12 Tech Students.

SAC presentation “What’s happening at Macdonald” by Judy Zhang, Sachi Taploo and Tejesh Arujuna.

Vice Principals’ Reports:

Vice- Principal Laura Pagnotta:

- In-person events are happening
- Prom has been booked for Thursday June 23rd
- The graduation ceremony will be in person on June 28th at 1:00 p.m.

Vice Principal Clenton Morrison:

- Mid-term report cards week of April 25-29 will be sent electronically
- Grade 10, 11 and non-graduating 12 students will be writing Ontario Secondary Literacy test, which will be completed on-line
- accommodations of IEP will be received for test
- students are practicing paper/pencil and extra practice test
- will be using desktop devices

SAC Presentation by: Judy Zhang, Sachi Taploo, Tejesh Arujuna

- Student leadership
- Diversity and Opportunity
- Academics
- Arts
- Health and Athletics

Next Meeting: May 25, 2022 at 7pm

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:00p.m.