

MACDONALD CI

SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES



Date: January 26, 2022

Time: 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Location: Virtual Video Conference

Facilitator: Sunila Akbar

Minutes Recorder: Aleka Kentros

In Attendance

Sunila Akbar, Chair	Helen Karoulis	Efrosini Papaconstantinou
Helen Vokas, Principal	Nicole Rahman	Nancy Whitley
Laura Pagnotta, Vice Principal	Joanna Papefthimiou	Addsion Hung
Clenton Morrison, Vice Principal	Anna Azaryan	Line Brassard
Christine Cockburn	Paul Chen	Tina Smilis
Alisa VanDer Toon	Joy Koumarelas	Gina Yang
Yamamoto Smith	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 Update:

- Return to a regular semester for 2nd semester, hoping for extra curricular activities to return (waiting for information from the board and TPH)
- 171 students are remaining virtual for 2nd semester
- Projected enrollment for 2022-2023 is 1003 students , there are 238 incoming grade nine students - optional attendance there were over 160 applications

- Facilities Update: WiFi system has changed to Meraki (wall to wall coverage) increase of access points from 56 to 65. New bike rack will be installed in the spring. Three biology labs to be renovated and updated in the summer.

Vice Principals' Reports:

Vice- Principal Laura Pagnotta:

- 2nd semester will be a 4 period model day : time tables will be electronically send to students on February 1st
- Afternoon classes will be alternating (will run a day 1 and day 2 schedule : can see calendar on school website) Question: Why do pm classes flip flop? All schools follow same schedule for co-op students.
- If students have any questions please speak to guidance
- At this point lunch is still 45 minutes long for the students
- Change of dismissal to 2:55 p.m. because of 5 min transition time between periods
- Late start February 16th

Vice Principal Clenton Morrison:

- End of Semester One is Wednesday February 1st
- Semester Two starts Thursday February 2nd
- Students will be receiving final grades (report cards) February 7th
- February is African Heritage Month : Black Student Alliance working with council to showcase African Canadian and Black/African descent across the globe

Mr. Addison Hung : ACL of Student Leadership, Voice and Engagement: Survey Presentation

- increase number of student self-advocating
- when students see own responses can dictate own stories
- March 1-4 Question of the month and March 7th - 11 Student voice survey
- allows to make positive change in school environment

Ms. Line Brassard: ACL Guidance: Student Course Selections Presentation

- Guidance Counselors met with grade 11 students in January for career conversation presentations
- class code is **iissfu7** on google classroom for grade 11 students
- MyBlueprint is a fantastic tool to help with career path
- Course Selections: In-class presentation February 9-11, February 14 ELL classroom visits, February 15-16 question period in library at lunchtime
- students to use [MyBlueprint.ca/tdsb](https://myblueprint.ca/tdsb)
- Online will begin February 7, 2022 and closes February 22, 2022 for students to register for next year courses
- digital copy of course selection will be sent to parents for approval
- activation key: sjmacdonald

New Business:

- Graduation/Prom: looking for guidance from TDSB and TPH tentative date : June 28, 2022 for graduation
- students will get 2 rapid tests on February 2nd
- \$1000 PRO GRANT : looking for presentations

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- March 30, 2022
- May 25, 2022

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