

Malvern Collegiate Institute School Council Meeting December 6, 2022 | 7 – 8:30PM Virtual ONLY

Voting Members Present: Deborah McNorgan, Catherine Boyd, Michelle Lavoie, Shawn Pinto, Pam Anderson, Alison Burn, Jin Hee Kim, Victoria Morwick, Angie Law, Taanis Smyth, Nancy Mallins **Voting Members Regrets:** Adrienne Scott

Staff and Non-Voting Members Present: Sandy Kaskin, Rafael Eskobar, Tia Wilson, Meredith (last name not provided), Adena Kuchera, Tom Robertson, Keith Gould, Cynthia McCarrey, Claudia Mueller, Karen McMullin, Aron McGrath, Jan Frolic, Mara & Sean (last name not provided), Tania (last name not provided)

MINUTES

Item	Speaker(s)
 Welcome Welcome and Territorial Acknowledgement Declaration of Conflict of Interest - No conflict Motion to approve prior Council Meeting minutes by Shawn Pinto and Jin Hee Kim. All voting members unanimously approve. Motion is passed. Call for other business	Angie Law
Student Council Report - Food drive No 24 to Dec 2. Continue to collect under Giving Tree. Competition among classes to encourage students to participate. - Dec 19-23rd Spirit Week. Monday PJ Day; Tuesday Ugly Sweater Day; Winter Wonderland Wednesday (blues, whites, be creative); Thursday Holiday Assembly in period 2; Friday Movie day hosted by Prom Committee. - Special Friday - Movie Day, altered schedule for students. School is half day. (Schedule can also be found on school calendar) - Holiday Assembly: Dancing, Singing, skits, acts, club skits, Sandy adds that there is also a clothing drive currently running. Accepting everything (gently used). Angie suggests a note is sent through School Messsenger to advise parents.	SAC Rep - Tia

Angie Law **School By-Laws** Angie explains that School By-Laws is now a template offering choices to Councils on how to operate. Council Officers (Angie, Adrienne, Nancy and Taanis) went through document and chose options based on what they felt was best suited for Malvern. While many options are quite standard, the new bylaws include the ability to vote virtually and a conflict resolution process is also now included. The proposed bylaws include the option for parents to resolve their own conflicts without engaging the principal. PIAC (Parent Involvement Advisory Committee) creates this document. Vote for approval - Catherine and Deborah motion to approve. All voting members unanimously approve. Motion is passed. **Nancy Mallins Treasurer's Report** Angie Law Vote to release funds from previous year. \$12 923.25 in bank presently Prior to releasing any of the items of 2020-21 we have an available balance of \$6710.72 Total funds allocated equal \$6,212.53, of this balance \$3,000 is for the 2021-22 commencement and will be paid to the school. There is also \$250 allocated to a scholarship cheque that has not yet been cashed. A motion was put forward to release all unused previously allocated funds totaling \$2,615.77. Motion to release funds is approved by Angie and Deborah. All voting members unanimously approve. Motion is passed. There will still be a shortfall of \$5,773.51 to cover all wishlist spend and an additional shortfall once a vote has been taken to approve an amount to be allocated to commencement for the 2022-23 year **Principal's Report** Sandy Kaskens Beautiful and somber white ribbon day for Montreal Massacre. Procession through halls with candles and pictures of victims displayed Please refer to school calendar for important dates and events. Staff is updating regularly. Can be found on home page of school website. Dec 7 - Vocal music concert. Dec 8 - band concert. Guidance is hosting info session for parents of graduating students. Same night as the vocal concert unfortunately. Meetings will be recorded. Dec 15: half day of classes. Other half will be devoted to credit rescue. Dec 20-21: One Act play festival. Tickets on sale. \$5 each. Dec 22: Assembly for all students to enjoy the talent show. Dec 23: Movie day - movie scheduled in PM ending at 2pm. Lunch will be rescheduled to 2-3pm. Exams Jan 25-31st. Specific schedule hoping to be released before holiday break. Exams will not be as highly weighted as in the past. Sensitive to the fact that students are having anxiety about exams after not having them for so long (covid). Admin does their best to spread out exams to avoid two in one day. Medical note required if student misses exam due to illness.

Teacher will review student's marks and can give grade based on

 work completed during semester. Otherwise, teacher and student will find mutually agreeable time for a make-up evaluation. Grade 8 Open House: Really successful. Sandy thanks Angie and Adrienne for representing School Council. School really wanted to highlight choir and band as these programs have suffered due to COVID. Historically the music program has been a cornerstone of Malvern. Admin wanted to let parents know they are still there and making a come-back! Parent- teacher interviews: Half -remote/half in-person, went well. Community concerns: Office has received calls from local businesses accusing students of stealing food etc. No proof that it is always Malvern students, businesses call all schools in area. Police presence in some establishments to help curb issue. Admin will be following up with announcement to students to remind them to be good community members and respectful of local businesses. Angie adds that band was great in Santa Claus Parade! 	
Staff/Teacher Representative	Raphel Escobar
 Dec 20-21: One Act show starts at 7pm. Doors open at 6:30pm. Directed by students. Cost is \$5. All profits go back into drama program. Students might be noticing that things are picking up in class. Teachers are getting content in before break to leave time to prepare for exams in January. Quick turnaround time - 2.5 weeks to exams. Exam review will be going on in most classes prior to exam time. Exams will not make up more than 30% of final grade Rafael hopes all goes smoothly for the students in preparation for exams and wishes them all the best! 	
Council and Other Business January meeting will be cancelled as it is the 2nd day after the winter break and likely not much to report. The Feb 14th meeting will be moved to Feb 7th.	Angie Law
Review Action Items - Reissue November minutes to include attendees - Messenger note to be sent from Sandy re: concerts and food donations	Taanis Smyth

Meeting adjourned - 8:17PM

Next Meeting: February 7, 2023, 7PM - 8:30PM - VIRTUAL ONLY