

NHSS School Council Meeting, April 10, 2024, 6:30 pm to 8:10 pm.

Hybrid meeting in person and over Zoom.

Present:

Guardians: Raj Persaud, Soma Choudhury, Suzanne Yoo, Nengi Oruwari, Sangeeta Navaneethasingam

Staff: Anita, Ghazariansteja, Ashley Marshall, Antoinetta Colavita, Samantha Juruc

Students: Daniel Seellal, Pranaya Dash

Meeting called to order.

Minutes of last school council meeting adopted.

Introduction of those present in-person and online.

Principal's Report

- HMST Update
 - HMST survey to students sent.
 - Initial response indicates students want more outside classroom learning. Co-curricular partnerships, extra opportunities for enrichment.
 - Survey to be resent to students encouraging students to complete the survey.
 - Handover from previous principal had noted that HMST program needs to be enriched. Efforts on way by staff to rebuild the program and continue to enrich the program.
- After school programs have picked up and continuing to build back to pre Covid times.
- OSSLT is next week. EQAO math tests are on June 10th and 11th.
- Wellness is a Board and school priority.
- Board's equity coach will visit the school to promote inclusivity and representation.
- Staffing:
 - 101.5 teaching staff allocated for next year. Allocations are based on class sizes and courses.
 - Kitchen staff culinary program will be reduced from 5 to 3.
- School Fee Reintroduction:
 - \$50 per student for each academic year + \$30 athletic fee per student (\$10 per season). The school fees will enable students to obtain a yearbook, a photo student activity card, Northview App, access to a variety of clubs and outreach activities, guest speakers, drama, arts, music productions, and a Dudley lock if required (grade 9 students only). The \$30 athletic fee for the year is for any student who plays on an inter-school competitive team. The fee helps fund uniforms, transportation to games, meets and competitions, official and referee fees, equipment, and subsidized athletic banquet ticket. This fee is also used to help Phoenix Athletic Council (PAC) run events such as Terry Fox Run, Intramurals, games, equipment, and prizes at events such as Phoenix Fest and Northview Cares.

- Other TDSB schools have introduced/introduced this fee so our school would not be offside the introduction of this fee.

Student Update:

- Introduction of Student Voice box. Free hot chocolate station during lunchtime to encourage students to voice their concerns, comments, and recommendations in the box.
- Phoenix Fest event hosted by students to take place on May 30th, rain, or shine. Preparation in full swing with games, inflatables and fun and games. Food must be purchased but costs are reasonable.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. Next School Council meeting on May 8, 2024.

Upcoming Events

Northview Cares: May 5th to 9th

HMST Graduate Luncheon: May 28th for Grade 11 HMST students

Arts Night: May 9

Prom: May 16

Student Achievement Awards: June 6

Athletic Night: June 13

Commencement Graduation Ceremony: June 27