

Riverdale Collegiate Institute
School Council Minutes
September 18, 2014

Present: Kenn Harvey (Principal), Trevor Bullen (Vice-Principal), Nicole Herbert (Chair), Susan Farrow (Secretary), Christopher Choquette-Choo (Student Council President), Nelia Wong (Student Council Vice-President), Saddeiqa Holder, Kim McClory, Lakshimi Keygo, Siobhan Keogh, Derby Crewe, Mirka Macalik, Sharon Wood, Carol Baum, Mary Anne Lemm, Karen Wiseman, Matilda Kissi, Laura Fitzsimmons, Sirje Jarvel

1. **Welcome** - Nicole welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave a brief overview of the role of the parent school council.
2. **Student Council Update**
 - a. Recent Events:
 - Moving On Up
 - SPC Card Sales
 - Welcome Back Assembly
 - Student Council BBQ
 - b. Upcoming Events
 - Spirit Week and Battle of the Grades
 - Club Fair
3. **Matters Arising**
 - a. Extra-curricular activities – No response received to last year's letter, none expected at this point. Kenn advised that the TDSSA Executive adopted a guideline that prohibits extra-circular activities starting before 2:30 with the exception of field hockey.
 - b. Mental Health Team – First meeting to be held September 25th. All are welcome.
4. **Principal's Report**
 - a. Staffing Review – Currently staffed for 1,140 students but enrolment is at 1,156. School and all classes are CBA compliant. We will know by next SC meeting if extra staff will be allocated to Riverdale.
 - b. Budget – Discretionary budget is available for public viewing on the TBSB web site. Riverdale's discretionary budget is \$292,000. This is meant to cover all costs except payroll e.g. paper, books, and supply teachers amongst other things. Focus this year will be on healthy schools.
 - c. Staff Reps for Council – still no interest from the teacher group. Nicole to speak at next staff meeting.
5. **Ward 15 Update** - First meeting is Sept. 22 at Blake Public School. Ward is looking for a PIAC Representative.

6. Chair's Report

- a. Nicole passed around some information sheets on various upcoming parent conferences and workshops.
- b. See Nicole if you are interested in participating in the Principal/Vice-Principal Interview process.

7. School Council Structure / School Council Election

- a. The following positions were elected:
 - Chair – Nicole Herbert
 - Secretary – Susan Farrow
 - Ward Rep – Rotating
 - Pool Captain – Derby Crewe
 - Equity Committee – Kim McClory
 - Caring Safe & Accepting Committee – Lakshimi Kygo
 - Teaching Rep – TBD
 - Non-teaching Staff Rep - TBD
- b. Council agreed to table the issue of a “working group”. Council will create a transition plan and develop a recommendation for the future structure of the council. Mary Anne volunteered to be on the committee. Matilda has agreed to assist as Co-Chair/Vice-Chair. Anyone interested in working on this, please contact Nicole.

8. New Business - None

Council adjourned.