

**GLEN CAIRN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, December 8, 2020 – 6:30p.m.**  
**Minutes**

**In Attendance:**

Angela Chaplin - Principal	Denise Nap - Chair
Marielena DiBartolo - Secretary	Roxanne Driscoll - Treasurer
Arron Driscoll - OCASC rep	Kris Storah - Teacher rep
Kerry Humphrys - Member-at-large	Brett & Tanya Southern - Parent attendee
Ryan Jaecques - Parent attendee	

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome and Call to Order Denise
2. Approval of Agenda All
  - all in favour
3. Approval of Minutes from Meeting of Nov 10 All
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4. Principal's Report Angela
  - Updates:
    - Website
      - under student support tab, there is a new tab for GCPS library
      - librarian did a virtual field trip for students to demonstrate how to search, order a library book (hand-delivered to students, then can return to book return box, books will be quarantined for 48hrs before being reshelfed) - has been very successful so far
    - Bus safety training
      - complete for all students
    - Rideauwood
      - all classes have had their presentations via livestream meet with counsellor
      - anticipate next session in the spring

- Toy Mountain
  - Student Council considered various charity options, decided on Toy Mountain
  - collecting new, unwrapped toys - boxes in the school - have 4 full boxes to date
  - collecting until Dec 18
- Pyjama Day
  - Student Council chose Pyjama Day for this month's Spirit Day
- Virtual Bookclub
  - will be run by Kathleen Macfarlane (Homeroom for F8A), involving virtual meet from lunchrooms, as well as asynchronous component (posted questions)
  - starting after holiday
  - described as mix of Narnia meets Indigenous history
- Transition between OCV/in-person
  - last update had been that would likely consider in February
  - \*\* new update \*\* there will no longer be any opportunity to transition between programs, with exceptions on an individual basis for extenuating circumstances
- Music/instruments
  - discussed with Karl (Music teacher) - upon further reflection, wish to hold off for time being
  - cost: 3/\$100; logistics of sanitizing, distribution, duration of opportunity
  - will keep looking into other options (ex. percussion)
- Diversity and Inclusion
  - board priority to address racial/cultural sensitivity amongst staff
  - triggered by incident in which old resources shared with students in a Gr 10 civics course - culturally insensitive
  - started conversation re: what may be occurring across board explicitly or implicitly that contributes to lack of psychological safety among students and staff ex. common phrases rooted in racist history
  - all staff will be completing training
- New night lead for custodial staff as current lead has been moved to another school

## 5. Staff Report

Kris

- Third Path

- next condition: engagement
- being presented at staff meeting tomorrow

- includes what disengagement looks like, sharing of ideas to stimulate engagement, trialing new tech called Jam Board

6. Chairperson's Report Denise
  - OCDSB Speaker Series
    - continues tomorrow, virtual
    - Dr. Robin Hanley-Dafoe - re: resilience, how to foster in oneself and others
  - Pro Grants
    - provincial grant, via application
    - focused on parent involvement
    - different this year - funds (\$39k) provided to board, and up to board to decide how to allocate, how to optimize, etc
    - looking at ways to develop parent learning sessions accessible via school councils
  
7. Financial Report Roxanne
  - no updates
  - \$1715
  
8. OCASC Report Aron
  - first meeting - largest ever
  - Pro Grants
    - focus to develop a toolkit, virtual math nights involving multiple schools at once
  - COVID experience and clubs/extracurricular
    - finding that student-led clubs developing organically
  
9. Old Business
  - a) Ukelele purchase? Angela
    - as above in Principal report
  
  - b) Pizza night fundraiser Roxanne
    - Jojo's
      - do them frequently, very successful
      - prefer T/W/Th evenings
      - can book multiple per year
      - suggest set one date for winter and see how it goes
        - decided first Thurs after winter break - Jan 7
  
  - c) gift card fundraiser Marielena
    - no update
  
  - d) virtual book fair Angela

- librarian is waiting to hear back from rep, then discuss with other schools who have experience (at John Young)
- per Roxanne, John Young event was successful, earned sufficient credits for 100 books for the school - all ordered online, shipped to house, no work involved for librarian/others; free shipping over \$35

10. New Business

All

a) any new fundraiser ideas?

b) School Council constitution

- currently there is a section for it on the website, but is blank
- will be distributed to council for review and discussion whether any changes required, then post for wide access

11. Tour de Table

Everyone

- no additional comments

12. Adjourn

Denise

**Next Meeting January 12, 6:30pm**