



GLEN CAIRN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, January 10, 2023 – 6:30p.m. Virtual

Minutes

In attendance:

Angela Chaplin, Principal
Marielena DiBartolo, Secretary

Ryan Jaecques, Chair

1. Welcome and Call to Order Ryan
2. Approval of Agenda All
3. Approval of Minutes All
4. Principal's Report Angela
 - High School transitions
 - Canterbury applications
 - Have been submitted for Grade 8 students applying
 - Sir Guy Carleton
 - Info night upcoming, has full complement of Diploma courses, in addition to skilled trades and 3 SHSMs (Urban Farming, Culinary Arts and Automotive Repair) and experiential learning
 - AY Jackson
 - Course selection upcoming, all done online, only real choices are art, phys ed and tech, as major subject areas are now destreamed (to date, feedback at board level is positive)
 - Feminine hygiene
 - Menstrual equity initiative - free menstrual pads are available for students in office and washrooms; receptacles will be installed shortly in all washroom stalls
 - Budget
 - On track, under projection

- Options discussed at staff meeting, including resources for coding, maps, etc
- Looking at an “artist in the school” style program to teach video content development
- Wellness Day
 - Looking at options for community engagement in leading a wellness day; students will be able to pick from a number of options lead by community members; planning for end of February
- Do it for Daron
 - Volleyball tournament that raises money for Do It For Daron Foundation; has run for years in the past, but have not been able to during COVID; planning Feb 15 - more information to come
- Grade 6 Info Night
 - Planning for mid-March, in person - more information to come
- Staffing changes
 - R7A - Miss Garitty has accepted a position; Miss Davis will be starting tomorrow until Mr. Edgeworth returns after March Break
 - Mr. Saschenbrecker will be staying on as Acting VP until March Break
- Trustee
 - Alichia Aziz came by for a tour (was first time a trustee has come to meet Principal in Ms. Chaplin’s turn); planning to come to School Council meeting to meet parents

5. Staff Report

Angela

- volleyball in progress - regionals upcoming; basketball to follow

6. Chairperson’s Report

Ryan

- Mental Health workshop upcoming
 - Join us on Monday, January 23rd at 6:00 p.m. for a virtual workshop that will help answer the following questions:
 - What is mental health?
 - What might be signs that your child is struggling with emerging or escalating mental health concerns?
 - How can you communicate effectively with your child about their mental health and well being?
 - See Board website for further information
- Board Strategic Planning
 - See Board email seeking parent input

7. Financial Report

Ryan

- No changes; \$75 balance

8. Old Business

- a) lunch program

- Lunch Lady and Pizza - going well, not large fundraiser, student council reps manage the deliveries to the classes
- still waiting on sorting out Freshii - looking at adding to Lunch Lady website; would be for Thursdays

b) curling

- not able to arrange for this year

c) Pizza night?

- will look into arranging - will ask about Thursday evenings before upcoming PD days (will avoid Tuesdays, as that is the pizza lunch day); and look at Feb, Apr and June - Marielena will email

9. New Business

- a) Further ideas for this year?

10. Tour de Table

Everyone

11. Adjourn

Ryan

Next meeting Feb 21 (moved from 14th), 6:30

- Angela will add link to school website, and send a reminder email