



LAURA SECORD SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
MINUTES
Monday, October 25, 2021
7:00pm

Note: (G) indicates guest attendance

Parents Present: Jennifer Ajandi, Christopher Boccinfuso, Joe Cheevers, Karen Chcoski, Katherine Dodd, Amanda Fretz, Joy Janzen, Jennifer Johnson, *Jean Kozela*, Mayumi Munoz, Kara Petraroia, Lisa Schmauder

Staff/School representation Present: Ryan Bell, Alison Kocsis (student), Helena Tritchew

Regrets: Tracy Gemmell, Kyle Visser, Leslie Wilson

Item	Discussion, Events, Activities	Action/Upcoming Activities	Person(s) Responsible
1.0	Call to order/welcome (Cheevers) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Introduction of the current Executive: <i>Joe Cheevers (President), Jean Kozela (Treasurer), Lisa Schmauder (Secretary), Jennifer Johnson (EVC)</i>Welcome and Who We Are		
2.0	Adoption of agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Move the nominations to the top of the agenda</i><i>Motion to accept 1st: Chris B</i><i>Motion to accept 2nd: Lisa S</i>		
3.0	Approval of September 2021 Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Motion to accept 1st: Kara P</i><i>Motion to accept 2nd: Chris B</i>		
4.0	Correspondence		

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	1. None at this time.		
5.0	Reports		
5.a	Student Union Report (Staff Rep) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available 	•	•
5.b	Prefect Report (Allison) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good start to the school year • Picture day was successful • Student Union will help with Remembrance Day events 	•	•
5.c	Principal Report (H. Tritchew) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up from September meeting: The Council Webpage on the LSSS site has been reinstated • COW Olympics were successful based on feedback from students and teachers. These events are being featured at the DSBN Board Meeting tonight with interviews from some of our participating Grade 9s and 10s. These interviews will also be used in promotion at the Sneak Peek Grade 8 event. • Grade 8s will be visiting in person with year with activites over a two hour period between November 15-18. • 2 activites for 2 hours with a set menue with diverse sessions Nov 15-18 • The Virtual Sneak Peek will run similarly to last year as an online event on December 1st at 7:30pm. • Athletics is ramping up with intermural events starting today • Weight room is now open • Mama Mia auditions have begun with anticipation of a spring production. • Mid-terms marks are due November 9 • Parent teacher interviews had some glitches as parents missed the windows and some had technical difficulty. Teachers did make time over a span of 2 weeks. • Question from Joe C: How did the walk out regarding harassment impact Laura Secord? The investigation is still under review and we have limited information to protect those involved. Schools are focused on providing youth more information on consent and a deeper understanding of what that 	•	•

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		<p><i>means between two people. Criminal matters are investigated by the Niagara Police and we are waiting for direction from the Board.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Question from Chris B: To what extent had this been communicated to the population on how to report an incident of harassment? Staff at the schools speak with students as they come forward with any complaints. We discuss consent in health class as well.</i> • <i>Question from Lisa S: What due diligence is linked to the school? There is a gray zone where action lies.</i> • <i>Question from Jennifer A: There was a concern around the administration's response to the accusations. How is this being addressed? Schools are not making the decision to determine if there is a suspected crime. It is reported if it is the person's wish. They should not be assessing: We have always encouraged our students who are victims of any type of assault to come forward. We do involve social workers as students wish.</i> • <i>Question from Amanda F: SHSM programme announcements, when will they be made? Meetings have been organized to discuss 10s admission and will be getting more info in the next month. Link on the academics under the technology studies for more information.</i> • <i>Question: When will we know about Mama Mia involvement? Announcements have been made as participation requests are made available. Just hold tight for now.</i> 		
5.d	Guidance Report (L. Wilson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Doner Letter update (Helena) Deferred to next meeting with aim to approach Jan/Feb</i> • <i>Grad interviews are starting</i> • <i>Next focus is on grade 10 course selections for next year.</i> • <i>Deadline for all our current students is early December.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Just updating from last years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helena/Leslie
5.e	Treasurer Report (J. Kozela)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Please see attached for an update</i> • <i>No PIK fund in place for this year.</i> • <i>General account is currently at \$168.91.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Our Nevada account currently at \$173.35. Avondale is deciding if they will keep the programme running. By mid-November we will have an update.</i> • <i>Total account is at \$342.26</i> • <i>Scholarship commitment is \$1250 so we will need to make up the difference some way. If we have Mama Mia we should be fine.</i> 		
6.0 Adoption of Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to accept reports 1st: <i>Jennifer J</i> • Motion to accept reports 2nd: <i>Joy J</i> 			
7.0 Other Business			
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nominations/self-nominations of Council members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Chris Boccinfuso, Amanda Fretz, Catharine Dodd, Lisa Schmauder, Joe Cheevers, Jean Kozela (community rep), Kara Petraoria, Tracy Gemmell, Jennifer Johnson (community rep), Joy Janzen, Karen Choski, Jennifer Ajandi, Mayumi Munoz</i> ○ <i>All members are acclaimed to council</i> 2. Appointment of Community Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Jean K, Jennifer John</i> ○ <i>Motion to accept: Chris B</i> ○ <i>Motion to accept: Lisa S</i> 3. Election of 2021/2022 Officers: Chair/Co-Chairs, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, EVC Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Chair: Joe C</i> ○ <i>Vice-Chair: Chris B</i> ○ <i>Secretary: Lisa S</i> ○ <i>Treasurer: Jean K</i> ○ <i>EVC Chair: Jennifer J</i> 4. Meeting dates for 2021-2022 year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>See November 15, January 17, February 28, April 11, May 16, June TBA</i> 		
8.0 Motion to Adjourn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to accept 1st: <i>Jennifer J</i> • Motion to accept 2nd: <i>Amanda F</i> • Next Meeting: Monday November 15, 2021, via Microsoft Teams. Lisa will be absent this day. Can we have the link posted on the webpage 			