



## LAURA SECORD SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES September 23, 2019 - 7:00 pm

**Present:** Helena Tritchew (Principal), Bill Reid (Student Union Staff Lead), Christine Lafferty (Prefect Staff Lead), Jennifer Johnson, Sandy Cowan, Jean Kozela, Tracy Turavani, Kelly Vlaar, Heidi Poltl, Keith Leclair, Tara Christensen-Watson, Mayumi Munoz; Guest: Sarah Johnson (student)

**Regrets:** Leslie Wilson (Guidance), Carly J (Student Union), Olivia Reyno (Prefects),

Item	Discussion, Events, Activities	Action/Upcoming Activities	Person(s) Responsible
1.0	<b>Call to order/welcome</b>		
2.0	<b>Adoption of agenda</b> - No Guidance report – remove from agenda Agenda adopted as revised.		
3.0	<b>Approval of June 2019 Minutes</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> – Tracey Turavani 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Kelly Vlaar		
4.0	<b>Correspondence</b> • None received	N/A	Jennifer
5.0	<b>Reports</b>		
5.1	Prefects • Presented by Christine Lafferty, Staff Lead • Supported Grade 9 Registration (August 27) • Supported Cow Olympics (Sep 13) • Continuous support to Guidance (tours, appointments, cafeteria duty, etc.)	Grade 9 Open House (Sep 26)	Olivia/Prefects
5.2	Student Union • Presented by Bill Reid, Staff Lead • Successful Cow Olympics (Sep 13) • Developed tentative schedule of events for school year; currently vetting through Admin; Full day SU planning retreat to work through event calendar/implementation	Spirit Wear will be promoted on website; Parent Council may purchase hoodies (details TBD)	Carly/Student Union

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanksgiving Board/open forum leading into long weekend with theme - “why we are thankful”</li> <li>• Spirit Wear – arranging a catalogue of new items at affordable price points online and in school</li> <li>• SU thanks Parent Council for ongoing support</li> </ul>		
5.3	Principal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A few staffing changes (e.g. Miss Thompson is new Vice Principal, Jean Rosseau, Admin Secretary retiring Oct 31)</li> <li>• Some changes to Ministry of Education Dress Code, allowing for more flexibility and equality (e.g. hats now allowed); must maintain adherence to no racist, homophobic, drug, etc. language or promotion</li> <li>• Jump Mentors spent time with Grade 9s and helped with tour, orientation, network of support</li> <li>• Early Release Day (Sep 13) – Staff reviewed assessment and evaluation practices, class set-up, etc. aligned with theme of 21<sup>st</sup> century competencies</li> <li>• Honour Roll Awards – working through some changes to approach and scheduling as it has been difficult to accommodate the volume of students on Honour Roll; will communicate details once confirmed; parents will be invited but may be during lunch; special gift will be presented to each recipient</li> <li>• Second Cares group reviewed initiatives from last year and are planning for this year; a few news students joined; may implement a new strategy re: populating a Grade 12 specific calendar, to try and keep things manageable for senior students</li> <li>• MSIP input received from staff/students; still collecting data; will facilitate input from parents with a link on the website</li> <li>• Orange Shirt Day Sep 30 to honour Indigenous Community; signed up to be part of Gord Downie project re: Truth &amp; Reconciliation</li> </ul>	<p>Communicate with Council/parents the final details re: Honour Roll Awards</p> <p>Communicate with Council/parents when link is open on website to provide input re: MSIP</p>	
5.4	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outlined accounts and approach - not typical fundraising like elementary schools; main sources of revenue are Nevadaman (\$1200-1500/year); assist with concessions during musicals/concerts; \$500 in PIC funds from DSBN for incidentals such as signage, photocopying, etc.; Present 5x \$250 School Council Scholarships each year (recipients chosen by staff)</li> <li>• Current account balances:</li> </ul>		

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		\$943.91 (General account) \$533.71 (Nevadaman account) \$500 (Annual PIC Fund) \$1977.62 (Current funds available) -\$1250 (Allocated Funds – Scholarships x 5 = \$1250) <b>\$727.62</b> (Forecast balance of at end of school year, excluding future Nevadaman earnings)		
5.5	Event Volunteer Committee (EVC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grade 9 Registration – School Council table (manned by Jennifer &amp; Sandy)</li> <li>Grade 9 Night – School Council table (to be manned by Jennifer, Kelly, Heidi)</li> </ul>	Confirm Council members to man table at Gr. 9 Info Night	Tracey
5.6	Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2019 School Council Student Scholarship winners (presented with \$250/each at Graduation in June): Anna Belford, Lauren Carfognini, Nicholas Komandanski, Keifer Sonnenberg, Justin Moore</li> <li>School Council Photo at next meeting – wear green or Laura Secord swag/hoodies/nametags</li> </ul>	Need more lanyards/nametags for Council members	Helena
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Adoption of Reports</b>			
	1 <sup>st</sup> – Kelly Vlaar			
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Jean Kozela			
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Other Business</b>			
7.1	Appointment of Community Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8 acclaimed members accepted by Jean Kozela</li> </ul>	Add to School Council communications list	Kelly
7.2	Nominations & election of 2019-20 Executive Officers	Elected members are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Co-Chairs: Jennifer Johnson, Sandy Cowan</li> <li>Secretary: Kelly Vlaar</li> <li>Treasurer: Jean Kozela</li> <li>Event Committee: Tracey Turavani</li> </ul>	Seek opportunities to mentor/showdown with executive to ensure future succession planning	All members
7.3	Important Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orange Shirt Day (Sep 30)</li> <li>Progress Reports issued (Oct 9)</li> <li>PA Day (Oct 11)</li> <li>Parent-teacher interviews (Oct 17)</li> <li>Halloween Dance (Oct 24)</li> <li>Costume Day at School (Oct 31)</li> </ul>		
7.4	Items for Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council photo</li> </ul>	Shine your pearly	All

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			whites and wear green/Secord swag for our Council Photo at next mtg! 😊	
8.0	Next Meeting	<b>Monday, October 21 @ 7:00 pm (Library Learning Commons)</b> <i>*this is a federal election day, so please vote prior to the meeting</i>		