

ADHS School Council Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2021

Present: K MacKenzie (Chair), C Welbanks (Teaching Staff), L Pritchard (Parent), T Havey (Principal)

Call To Order - 7:06pm - Motion by C Welbanks, 2nd by Kathy McKenzie

Acceptance of Last Meeting's Minutes - - Motion - C Welbanks; 2nd by L Pritchard
(Note:Minutes can be found in the banner of the school website)

Principal's Report

Building and site notes

- Our requests for capital improvements are in - including work on the tennis courts, and new lockers on the second floor
- Asbestos abatement completed in ceiling of Rm 108
- Plans are in place to renovate the Foods lab
- Plans are being made to host a vaccination drive through on our site in the coming weeks

Staffing notes

- We are happy to report that Ms McNab was successful in requesting that her leave be extended through to the end of this school year, and that Mr Covell will continue to fill in for her
- We continue to struggle to find supply teachers and EAs - and will become even more urgent as stricter measure are coming into place from the RCDHU

Student achievement notes

- We continue to live in a new dimension, as far as teaching, learning, and assessment go. We have roughly 70 students who have opted for remote learning.
- Teachers are asked to keep an active Google Classroom going, so that in the event that a student has to be away for a significant amount of time, or if we ALL are required to stay home for some time, that the learning can proceed as best we can.
- Anecdotal evidence seems to indicate that students are satisfied with the quadmester format, and that remote learners are not having the degree of success that in-house learners are experiencing

Extracurricular notes

- OFSAA has cancelled all competition for the spring season, so none of those sports are running. We still have our Robotics Club running, as well as our student government and LINK Crew, although they will be meeting virtually only, as to respect cohorts

Teaching Staff Report

- The screening and infographic from RCDHU have been updated; calls and emails have gone out to parents to describe the changes
- Teachers are checking that students have done THEIR Covid check, after having completed their own screening; records are kept
- Google Classrooms are being kept and updated for students to follow
- March Break has been postponed to the week after Easter
- 2 student success days after the April Break
- School Council newsletter received - will look into having it posted; has some articles of interest for parents wanting to get involved and represent their kids
- Newsletter - "Saying No to Hybrid Learning"
- OSSTF members are collecting items to fight "Period Poverty" - from members

Question: Do the students have to fill in the screening for Covid online only? Answer: We also have paper copies that students can fill out to be sure they're ok for school.

Question: Is Grad likely? Answer: We will likely have a virtual grad.

Motion to Adjourn: K MacKenzie, 2nd by, C Welbanks

Meeting Adjourned at 7:24pm

Next meeting: Monday May 31st, 7pm (Virtual)