

ST. AUGUSTINE SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Date : Monday, October 2nd, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm

Location : School Library

ATTENDEES :

Jason Pratt : **Principal**

TBA: **Teachers Rep**

Katrina La Nave & Laurie-Ann Clark : **Co-Chairs**

Anda Cunningham, Marsha Vigneault : **Secretaries**

Anna D'Agostino & Vijay Ojar : **Treasurer**

Laurie-Ann Clark: **OAPSE Rep**

Marsha Vigneault: **Parish Rep**

Other Attendees: Bob Romano, Kristina Porter-Ovialo

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

OPENING PRAYER

PRINCIPAL REPORT

- student council had first meeting (library was full, over 60 students wanted to join council
- sat in on first meeting
- interviewed interested students, managed to get all students who came out involved through sub committees
- Terry Fox Committee - Terry Fox event held October 3rd. \$5 min. Donation goes to Terry Fox Foundation. Those who donated will get a lunch
- First civvies day in September. Successful. Likes to tie with a theme. Ex. October civvies day will be on Oct. 31st and tied to halloween and students can wear costumes if they like
- Halloween Spirit week-there will be a haunted house, games, activities
- once a month civvies day on unpredictable days to avoid students from other schools perhaps coming in unknowingly and perhaps causing issues
- Z-Club - serving the community-organizing bus driver appreciation, breast cancer awareness
- great number of clubs interested in stewardship and leadership in the school
- many clubs-something for everyone to do-lots of proposals to principal-lots of initiative from students-as long as there is a staff to supervise
- Photo Day on Wednesday October 4th
- cracking down on uniforms-deter bigger issues-close to 100% compliance
- locks-gr.9-free
- numbers are down
- as a result lost a secretary-now 2 secretaries in office-hard to stay on top of attendance-please use School Messenger
- wake a thon-date TBA

- look into absences for Spec. Ed students who are over 18 and don't have access to the system
- inform parents that this is the case
- exams Feb 22nd to March 1st
- semi-formal
- Teacher Night-October 18th
- breakfast club everyday for free and Falcon Foodies for lunch -Tues./Wed./Thurs. -Free
- food given through PC Grant- organized by Mrs. Pavic
- Nov. 22nd-Gr. 8 open house information night
- important to promote school and all the things happening
- try to promote making St. Augustine a choice and establish an identity
- a lot of good technology and infrastructure at the school that is underutilized
- looking at programs at the school because we are one of the only highschools in the board that does not have regional status and try to get regional status for St. Augustine. Maybe a sports regional program-build identity-allows you to attract certain students and take programs that are not offered at other neighbourhood schools
- sends out newsletter through email to parents and student emails
- announcements on Falcon Classroom on google slides

TEACHER REPORT

- sport seasons are starting up-cross country, volleyball, flag football, basketball, wrestling
- students (fans) attending after school games
- band
- staff are supervising intramural after school on Fridays (futsal, volleyball, basketball)-very well attended, usually 70-80 students in attendance
- after Covid-bringing back a lot of intramural tournaments and athletics
- chaplain started retreats at St. Jerome
- 9's and 11's-homeroom class
- 10's and 12's - whole group
- mass at St. Jerome-date TBA
- Photo Day on Wednesday October 4th
- cracking down on uniforms
- numbers are down
- more information at next meeting about retreats and charity work (knights table)

TREASURER REPORT

CHAIR REPORT

- fundraising-used uniform sales-previously raised between \$250 and \$300-maybe in June-consider increasing prices of items-decide in the spring, perhaps a mid year date
- interview night can be an option
- some ideas - Dominos Pizza night, Kernels

ELECTIONS HELD

St Augustine Elected Council -

Co Chairs-Katrina La Nave & Laurie Ann Clark

Secretaries- Marsha Vigneault & Anda Cunningham

Treasurer-Anna D'Agostino-Ojar

OAPSE-Laurie-Ann Clark

Community Rep at Large- N/A

OTHER BUSINESS

FUTURE MEETING DATES

All begin at 6:30pm in St. Augustine Library

November 20th

February 12th

April 8th

May 13th

MEETING ADJOURNED

7:40pm