



WATERFORD VALLEY
HIGH SCHOOL

School Council Meeting Minutes - February 13th 2017

Attending

Bridget Ricketts, Ex Officio Secretary
(Principal)
Janice Cooper, Parent Representative
Claudette Brokenshire, Parent Representative
Cheryl Tucker, Teacher Representative
Janet Rumsey, Community Representative **(Chair)**
Marlene van de Wiel, Community Representative
Rob Butt, Community Representative
Liam Warren, Student Representative
(Secretary)
Alan O'Brien, Student Representative
Katherine Dibbon, Student Representative

Regrets

Wanda Pelley, Parent Representative
Wendy Read, Parent Representative
Clara McCue, Parent Representative
Michelle Hounsell, Teacher Representative **(Vice- Chair)**

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

2. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda for the February meeting was reviewed.
Moved by all to adopt the agenda.

3. Adoption of Minutes

The minutes from the December & January meetings was reviewed.
Moved by all to adopt the minutes from the December & January meetings.

4. Business Arising

4.1 Parking Lot Update

The principal informed the council that there Information regarding the parking lot has been sent home to all parents. A discussion then occurred regarding how this has changed the parking lot situation, it seems to be working

but there were concerns brought up regarding the roadway next to the school by the cafeteria entrance as people are parking in the lane of traffic therefore limiting the roadway to one lane. This is causing congestion and situations with unexperienced drivers. The council came to the conclusion to remind people of the rules & regulations and to form a partnership with Royal Newfoundland Constabulary to ensure safety of the school community.

4.2 School Development Update

The principal provided the council with a school development update. The school is following an up to date plan for school development. The school development committee have had one meeting so far this year. There is a Professional Development day scheduled for March 2nd 2018 where staff will have various sessions such as Go To Training, Google Classroom Training, and others sessions to sign up for.

4.3 Graduation Pip Day

A discussion occurred based on concerns from last year's graduation pip day. The council decided it would be best for the Graduation committee to increase awareness of the activities that might be on the list and the implications they can have. It was decided to hand this matter over to the grad committee.

5. Principal Report

The principal discussed the results of the midterm examinations, all across the board the marks are down. This is very concerning. Staff are working hard on keeping students concentrated in class and off their phones as they are a big distraction.

6. Student Report

The report is attached as Appendix II.

7. New Business

7.1 Cap & Gown Ceremony

A discussion occurred based on concerns brought forth by a parent via email regarding the change to the Cap & Gown Ceremony to the day time. The concerns included how the change will affect shift workers, create parking issues, and event accessibility issues. The principal informed the council that the decision to change the Cap & Gown Ceremony has been finalized.

7.2 Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week Update

The council will organize an event to show the councils appreciation for the Teacher & Staff of the school.

8. Scheduling of Next Meeting

The chair thanked everyone for their attendance and scheduled the next meeting to take place on Tuesday March 13 2018 at 530PM in the Waterford Valley High Learning Commons.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Alan O'Brien motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Liam Warren.
Meeting Adjourned at 645PM

Appendix I
Principal Report - February 13th 2018
Submitted by Ms. Bridget Ricketts

Appendix II

Student Report - February 13th 2018

Submitted by Mr. Alan O'Brien, Mr. Liam Warren, & Ms. Katherine Dibbon

Student Government

Crush for your Crush

- Sold 25 (students) 70 (teachers)

Valentines PR Video

- Carpool karaoke
- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ticdWLI7wtpcqjY0g2M3-mLdVuowR2gh/view?usp=sharing>

Match-O-Matics

- Whole school completed surveys
- Printouts to be sold for \$2.00 in the coming weeks

Social Justice

Visit from Dr. Andrew Furey

- Discussion about Team Broken Earth and A Dollar a Day project

Coffee House

- Moved to March 1st (due to parent teacher interviews)

Mental Health

Midterm de-stressor week

- Hosted a number of activities
 - Yoga
 - "Donut worry presentation"
 - Therapy dogs
 - Candy and colouring
 - Groovy cafe

Canteen & 50/50- girls B basketball

- \$300 raised
 - Lollipops being bought- attaching positive message
 - Money going towards Pink Shirt day organization

Bell Let's Talk Day

- Table set up outside exam room
 - Hats, bracelets
 - Stickers
 - Posters posted with positive messages

Food Drive

- Single Parents Association

Sports Teams

Girls Senior "B" Basketball

- Hosted tournament at WVH this past weekend

Boys Senior "A" basketball

- Played in Carl George Memorial Tournament at PWC this past weekend

Girls Senior "A" Basketball

- Played in tournament at Gonzaga this past weekend
- Won gold

Hockey

- Played in the Confederation Cup this weekend
 - Boys went 4 and 1 and made it to the semi finals against Marystown

Girls "A" Volleyball

- Played in provincials in Clarendville this weekend:

Boys Volleyball

- Played in provincials and performed well

Fine Arts

Footloose presented by O'Donel High School

- February 22

Rotary Music Festival

- Students continue to prepare

Model U.N Committee

- Students preparing for conference February 20th and 21st
- 30 students attending

Other business

- Ski trip rescheduled until March 8th
- Cafeteria focus group
- The 2nd Annual Danny King Memorial Tribute Winter Rugby game went over well. Well attended by local media and the general public. Looking at some sort of plan next year for contingency with Liam graduating this year.

