Nantyr Shores Secondary School Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 24, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. @ school library

Attendance: Mark Keating, Lisa Suelzle, Lesley Sterling, Danny Vaz, Myrlene Boken, Margaret McCormack, Patricia Nenoff, Rachel Grinman, Manon Rodriguez, Lee Belisle, Jennifer Richardson

Regrets: Rosalia Primavera

Call to Order – Lisa Suelzle opened the meeting at 6:04 p.m. with a land acknowledgement.

Simcoe County District School Board acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishnaabeg people. The Anishnaabeg include the Ojibwe, Odawa, and Pottawatomi nations, collectively known as the Three Fires Confederacy. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture and committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect with all First Nation, Métis and Inuit people.

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2023 meeting made by Myrlene Boken, seconded by Manon Rodriguez. All in favour. Carried.

Students' Report

None

Staff Report – Danny Vaz

- March 29 band attended Sunshine City Festival in Orillia and obtained a Gold rating
- 40+ students travelled to Toronto Symphony Orchestra
- Groups/clubs/sports yearbook photos taken
- International Day of Pink April 12 Leadership class hosted a day of activities
- Johnny Burger fundraiser was April 12
- Dance crew went to Bear Creek school for a competition
- Girls' soccer
- Track and field
- Girls' and boys' rugby
- Ultimate frisbee tryouts
- Baseball first game April 27
- Softball
- Music crew won Diamond Award at Barrie Music Festival
- Music Monday board wide event at Innisdale next Monday, May 1
- Enviro heading on a camping trip
- Enviro hosted a successful celebrity server fundraiser at Boston Pizza
- Glow Up dance this Thursday, April 27
- Midterm reports coming soon
- PD day on Friday, April 28
- Music celebrity server fundraiser this Sunday, April 30 at The Cove

Community Rep Report – Myrlene Boken (C4Kids)

- Easter drive was terrific, 140 baskets, reached 80 families with additional food from Fresh Food Weekly
- Completing grant applications as donations are down

• Applied for \$3,300 grant from the Innisfil Community Foundation for music trip and will put in a second grant application for instruments, with a focus on music's positive influence on mental health

Principal's Report – Mark Keating

- Curling teams attended OFSSA bonspiel in North Bay
- Wrestling attended OFSSA championships in Ottawa
- Girls volleyball attended OFSSA in Barrie
- Transportation and accommodation costs are increasing
- School renovation to add another life skills classroom, with design from the original architect; construction to begin in June
- 82.5 teaching positions again for 2023-24
- Currently in the timetabling process
- "Not An Experiment" anti-vaping presentations on Thursday, April 20 and Tuesday, April 25
- Second writing of OSSLT was April 17-18, 2023
- Track and field numbers have doubled, more than 80 students participating first meet May 2, qualifiers May 9
- Strong rugby program and coaches
- Kudos to Mr. Vaz and the music students on achieving Diamond level in the music festival
- Glow Up dance Thursday, April 27 before PA day on Friday, April 28
- Cultural Day coming up in early May, initiated by Nantyr Black Students Association working with groups within the school
- Midterm report cards May 5
- Prom May 25 at Liberty North in Barrie
- Carnival June 1
- In-class culminating tasks June 5-15
- Athletic banquet June 15
- Feedback, recovery and improvement days June 26-28
- Commencement June 29
- Parent teacher night was cancelled; Lee suggested parent teacher nights be scheduled in advance at the start of the school year and hosted later in the evening to accommodate commuters.

Fundraising Report – Jennifer Richardson

- Johnny Burger night raised \$417.86
- Celebrity server night April 30 at The Cove
- Waiting to hear if Domino's can host one more Raise the Dough fundraiser for NSS

\$500 PRO Grant/Parents Reaching Out Grant up to \$1000 – Patricia Nenoff

- Chris Vollum booked for Tuesday, May 8 in person at the school at a cost of \$875 + HST = \$988.75
- Doors open at 6:30 p.m., presentation starts at 6:45 p.m.
- Pre-registration preferred; open to any parents in the community.
- Advertising distributed.
- Mark Keating will ask Hospitality to provide refreshments.
- Mark Keating will send poster to SCDSB to distribute to schools and will email to all NSS parents.
- Custodians will set up the facility.

SCDSB Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Update – Lisa Suelzle

- "Safe Connections: Navigating a Digital World" PIC presentation on April 25, 2023 from 6:00 8:30 p.m. featuring Chris Vollum from CMV SocialMedia, OPP Sergeant Aaron C. Arnett, and Abby Zantingh from Imani's Place
 - Virtual event instead of Connections 2.0
 - Open to all parents
 - o Advance registration required currently 243 people registered

NEW Business

• Lee suggested we pre-plan for fall events at the next meeting.

Dismissal – Lisa Suelzle adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 29, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. in the library (last Monday of the month)

NOTE: Park on the west side and enter by the gym, not through the front doors.