

# Cairine Wilson S.S. Parent Council



## The Future Starts Now *Cairine Wilson Secondary School*

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Thursday, April 21, 2022

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Chair: Heather Mawhinney

Secretary: Jennifer Pyne

Attendance:

Uzo Onochie-Roy  
Sarah Mawhinney  
Laurie Labelle  
Derek Black  
Joanne Muir

Regrets\*

Jennifer Busch-Hallen

Jennifer Pyne  
Andrew Cumberland  
Andrew Murphy  
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### 1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Heather at 7:10pm.

### 1. Approval of Agenda - Marlene/Uzo.

### 1. Approval February Minutes – Marlene/Pam (draft watermark will be removed from the document and reposted on the CW website.)

### 1. Chair's Report

- Heather invited Joanne Muir, to update Council on prom activities.
  - Prom will be at the Chateau Laurier on June 23 (6-12); 6-7 will be refreshments; dinner at 7; dance after dinner; tickets will be approximately \$145
  - Generally 8-10 staff members attend the prom itself

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- Garden party at the Cumberland Museum for parents and family to celebrate from 4-6; free event and light refreshments will be served. This is being coordinated by parents Tamara Doucette and Janice Keenan
- Students are responsible to make their own way from Cumberland Museum to the Chateau
- Council is being requested to subsidize a few tickets for identified students if needed
- Heather reminded Council that a new Executive will be needed for next year
- Final meeting will be in June—generally more informal and may be in-person

## **2. Student Representative Report**

- Key Club raised \$1500 through a bottle drive in support of Ukraine needs
- Students are being encouraged to wear green and blue for Earth Day
- IDEA club is offering Arabic lessons at lunchtime
- Rainbow Club continues to work on their mural
- Sports have started again both intramural and school sports

## **3. Teaching Staff Liaison Report**

- Ms. MacRae shared the report below with Council.

From	Good News/ Info to Share
Student Services	Term 3 of the 2021/22 school year ends Apr. 22nd; Term 4, the final term of this school year, begins Apr. 25th
Student Services	The University of Ottawa is conducting a virtual presentation on Monday, Apr. 25th from 4:30pm to 5:30pm for current Grade 11 students
Languages (French)	43 grade 12 students (Immersion and Core French) wrote one of the DELF exams this month.
Student Services	The OSSLT is scheduled to be written during the mornings on May 10th and 11th for current Grade 10 students

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	Students collected over \$1500.00 from the bottle drive which will be donated in support of the humanitarian needs in Ukraine.
Key Club	Students have put together a video to share with staff and students on Earth Day to highlight the importance of environmental protection and the impacts of consumerism.
Race Relations (IDEA)	Students will have the opportunity to take part in Arabic lessons starting at lunch next week.
Prom Committee	June 23 is prom day. A Garden Party will be held at the Cumberland Museum from 4pm - 6pm. All graduates and their families are invited to this free event. A formal dinner-dance will be held at the Chateau Laurier on Thursday, June 23 from 6 pm - 12 am. Tickets will go on sale May 1 at a price of approximately \$145 per person.
Book Club (Sr)	Next meeting is on April 26th and the novel is "We Have Always Lived In the Castle" by Shirley Jackson.
Book Club (Jr)	Two senior students Abby Al-Kanti and Kamelia Presseau have started a book club for junior students. We will meet once a month until the end of the school year.

### 4. VP's Report

- Laurie updated on timetable development and accompanying staffing decisions
- Reporting period is coming to an end. Report cards will be available April 27. They will only be available electronically and the student OEN is required.
- Seems to be a lot less hanging out and vaping in the washrooms; students seem to be more comfortable reporting things when they see it. Bylaw has followed up with students who have been caught vaping on school property.
- There seems to have been a move to hanging around at the strip mall beside the school
- Ontario literacy test for grade 10 students (and some grade 11s) will take place in early May. Grade 12s are exempt from this requirement.
- Andrew M reported that the EQAO (math) for grade 9s will be in early June

### 5. Principal's Report

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- Andrew C spoke a bit more about the staffing and timetable challenges at a smaller school like CW
- Mr. Cleveland has taken an assignment as a consultant with the Board (related to Technology Coop); James Poortinga has taken his place as department head.
- Andrew C reminded Council that math was destreamed for the first time this year for the grade 9 students. They had 100% pass rate for the class.
- Ms. MacRae and Andrew C discussed the Learning Commons and how there is lots of opportunities for media use in all classes and they are hoping this will expand as the role of the traditional library changes
- Andrew C also provide the information below:

### Reflections:

Removing the cohorting and allowing clubs has definitely positively impacted student morale.

Students have been very sensitive to the personal choices of others with respect to students that have mask exemptions.

OCDSB Mask mandate is being followed and confidentiality and respect is being maintained as we navigate through these challenging times.

### Staffing Update:

We are now planning next school year.  
School enrollment is down from last year considerably. This does impact course choice and availability.  
eLearning courses being rolled out for next school year.

Position of Added Responsibility for Tech, Coop, - Please welcome James Poortinga

### Destreaming:

This year MTH1W

### LLC (Library Learning Commons):

Mac computers installed for media communication.  
Pod casting studio.

Future - maker spaces  
Smart work areas

### POS machine:

We have been in contact with IT and finance and they are sharing some possible choices of machines. Probably for next year.

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### Prom:

Joanne Muir will share information about Prom.

### End of 2021 - 2022 school year:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20	21	22	23	PROM	24
27	SST	28	SST	29 PA Day	30 PA Day Graduation July 1st

### Graduation:

Thursday, June 30, 2022

Leaving ceremony:

-structure

-location- most likely gym

-limit crowd and contacts is requested by District

### Pedagogy:

Priority: Teacher Collective Efficacy

Knowledge and Understanding: John Hattie - High Yield Strategies

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- Derek informed Council that the current balance is \$5129.32
- Council discussed options for remaining funds in the account once expenditures approved in February are removed. The following was agreed:
  - Up to \$800 can be spent on ukuleles for the music department
  - Up to \$500 will be held in reserve to supplement a few student prom tickets if needed

- Jennifer reminded Council of the potential expenses if we offer a CW staff breakfast/coffee break as well as providing light refreshments at the Commencement ceremonies. The last time these were done, the total cost for both events was approximately \$550 and this included multiple donations. This will be discussed at the next meeting
- A discussion was held about the benefits of running the Merry Dairy fundraiser. It was agreed that due to the limited amount of hands on work required, Council should proceed with the event. Heather will coordinate with Merry Dairy on the details.

### 1. Other Business

- Parents Reaching Out grant will be a virtual event with other schools. The guest speaker is Paul Davis. It will be May 24 at 6 PM.
- Heather is looking for someone to coordinate with the other schools to get this organized.
- Craft Sale—in the past registration forms have been sent out on May 1. As we do not know what will happen in the fall, it was decided that registration will be put off until later in the summer but the school will be booked for November 18-20 and the request for tables will be made to the Board. An email to regular participants will be sent with a “save the date” message along with an explanation regarding registration coming at a later date.

### 2. Next Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Thursday, May 19 @ 7pm.

### 1. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.