

Cairine Wilson S.S. Parent Council



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Thursday, May 19, 2022

Chair: Heather Mawhinney

Secretary: Jennifer Pyne

Attendance:	Sarah Mawhinney	Heather Mawhinney	Jennifer Pyne
	Laurie Labelle	Marlene MacRae	Andrew Cumberland
	Derek Black	Jennifer Busch-Hallen	Andrew Murphy

Regrets* Uzo Onochie-Roy
Pam Hawley
Marcia O'Connor

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda - Marlene/Derek

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3. Approval April Minutes – Marlene/Heather (draft watermark will be removed from the document and reposted on the CW website.)

4. Chair's Report

- Heather reported that the Merry Dairy fundraiser is ongoing until May 28
- Paul Davies presentation is booked for May 24—info sent out to parents this week

5. Student Representative Report

- School is participating in a Board-wide Spirit Week—as of today, CW was leading in points
- The Kiwanis are running a Canada Day event at Petrie Island. Some Key Club members will be helping out.
- Prom tickets are on sale on School Cash Online
- Track and rugby are ongoing
- IDEA Club is running Freezie Fridays for charity
- Final edition of the school paper is being drafted. Grade 11 members are running the Grad issue

6. Teaching Staff Liaison Report

- Ms. MacRae shared the report below with Council
- Ms. MacRae also explained about the cost of e-books in response to a question about moving away from paper books. They are looking at options but the cost is high.

From	Good News/ Info to Share
Jen Abma	Arabic lessons: Parent Naglaa Adelaziz is teaching the teachers and students Arabic on Tuesdays at lunch via Google Meet. Our Arabic speaking students are tutoring during the sessions.
Jen Abma	IDEA Club is hosting Freezie Fridays to raise money for a charity called One Prosper that helps with educating girls who live in poor regions of

	India. Last Friday, we sold out quickly and hope to have high sales again this week.
Russ Wolfe	May 30th is the Full Disclosure Date for Semester 2 - this is last day students can withdraw from a course during Semester 2 without academic penalty
AMRS and R Wolfe	<p>OCDSB / Japan 2-Week Exchange</p> <p>Virtual Information Session on Tuesday, June 14 @ 7 p.m.</p> <p>Since 2016, OCDSB students and students at Yamate Gakuin High School in Yokohama, Japan, have participated in bi-annual cultural exchanges.</p> <p>Japanese students come to Ottawa from April 14 - 28, 2023 to stay with host families (2 students / family who may share a room), attend school a few times, and participate in various tours and activities in and around the Ottawa area.</p> <p>OCDSB students from east-end schools (Cairine Wilson, Canterbury, Colonel By, and Gloucester) then travel to Yokohama from July 20 - August 4, 2023 to stay with host families and participate in various tours and activities in and around the Tokyo area.</p> <p>For more information about the Exchange please click here and to sign up for the information session click here.</p>
Russ and AMRS	The graduation ceremony for current Grade 12 students enrolled in the International Certificate Program is June 8th at 440 Albert St.
Bennett, Gupta, Currie, Robin	Partnership between Personal Fitness, Club of Science and DDP to learn to grow food is off to a great start!! Seedlings started by Club of Science are getting ready to be transplanted and direct seeding phase 1 has been implemented with the DDP classes.

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Simineau, Persaud, Robin

Music is going well: Wind Band, Jazz Band and Guitar club are all going very well at lunch once per week each!!

Robin, Peters, MacRae

Student Vote is June 2!! It is a province wide, non partisan democracy education program, that lets students cast a vote and be counted centrally to see how the election would have gone for the students across Ontario. It gives students a chance to get informed and involved in this facet of democracy and get them ready and excited to participate when they are 18
<https://studentvote.ca/current-programs/>

This year there is a new element of involvement called Ontario Register of Future Voters (ORFV), which allows and encourages youth who are 16 to preregister to vote so they don't miss a vote when they turn 18 - they are ready to go!!

[Ontario Register of Future Voters](#)

Currie, Napoleon

On April 27th, Dr. Steve Gleddie gave a talk to encourage students to sign up as Stem Cell Donors. 105 students took kits to register! Nice job CW!

<p>Teacher coaches:</p> <p>Baseball: Lamoureux, Miller, Poortinga, Solomon</p> <p>Jr. Boys' Rugby: Sacharuk</p> <p>Sr. Boys' Rugby: Sveinbjornson</p> <p>Varsity Girls' Rugby: Corneil, MacDougall</p> <p>Jr. Soccer: Fabbro, MacDougall, O'Donnell</p> <p>Track and Field: Trumpower, Jones, Puig</p>	<p>Teams running this spring:</p> <p>Varsity Baseball</p> <p>Jr. Boys' Rugby</p> <p>Sr. Boys' Rugby (OFSAA DIV)</p> <p>Varsity Girls' Rugby (OFSAA DIV)</p> <p>Jr. Girls' Soccer</p> <p>Track and Field (Several athletes still in the hunt for OFSAA)</p> <p>Article in the Orleans Star May 12, 2022 Page 18</p>
<p>History classes (Anderson, Puig) + Library, Learning Commons</p>	<p>This week the WWI Discovery box will arrive at CWSS. We will have it until June 3rd. It is a box that "features objects, documents and activities related to the Canadian experience overseas during the First World War."</p> <p>Students from various classes and grade levels will be able to participate in activities linked to the discovery box.</p> <p>The First World War Discovery Boxes are made possible with funds from the R. Howard Webster Foundation, Operation Veteran and the ongoing generosity of individual donors across Canada.</p> <p>Walking Through History Episode#1 World War I Discovery Box - Canadian</p>

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	<u>War Museum. History for kids</u>
Science Dept. + M.MacRae	<p>We are going to run a book club next school year. There are 4 terms in a school year so a non fiction text will be attached to each. The texts include:</p> <p>CODE BREAKER: JENNIFER DOUDNA, GENE EDITING, AND THE FUTURE OF THE HUMAN RACE by Walter Isaacson</p> <p>ASTROPHYSICS FOR PEOPLE IN A HURRY by Neil Degrasse Tyson</p> <p>DISAPPEARING SPOON: AND OTHER TRUE TALES OF RIVALRY, ADVENTURE, AND THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD FROM... by Sam Kean</p> <p>I CONTAIN MULTITUDES: THE MICROBES WITHIN US AND A GRANDER VIEW OF LIFE by Ed Yong</p>
M. MacRae, Library, Learning Commons	<p>The weeding of non fiction texts is almost complete. Students helped with the removal of one of the stacks and the wood will be repurposed to create signage + "a take one, leave one" moveable mini library</p> <p><u>IMG-0213.jpg</u></p>

7. VP's Report

- Laurie updated on timetable development
- Laurie and Andy both reported that student management was going well; bathroom checks for smoking/vaping still going on and still finding some students doing these activities. Time will tell if behaviour will change as the end of the year approaches.
- Andy mentioned that students are comfortable coming to staff to report concerns or needs of other students; it is great to see them willing to reach out.
- Andy reported that literacy test for grade 10 students (and some grade 11s) was last week and things went smoothly.
- Jennifer P asked about the recent dress code news stories from other schools and whether CW was having any issues. OCDSB dress code is at the district level and is very broad (essentially no offensive words or images on clothing and all personal areas must be covered). Andrew C assured council the types of checks that happened at other schools would not happen at CW or anywhere else in the district.

8. Principal's Report

- In response to a question raised at the last meeting regarding the 100% pass rate for the destreamed math classes in grade 9, Andrew C said approximately 2/3 of the students achieved level 3 or level 4 grades.
- Andrew C explained that openings come up for staffing around this time of the year. There may be movement into or out of CW depending on what is available.
- Ms. Robinson-Sysk will be taking on the role of special education and library department head—Joanne Muir has stepped down from the position
- Derek asked in exams would be back next year—Andrew C indicated that they are not sure what form final evaluations will take on next year.
- Andrew C also provide the information below:

Reflections:

Many students are struggling to stay engaged with the end of school coming.

There are 26 instructional days left in the school year.

There have been a lot of positive academic successes this semester and last semester. This is a reflection of the dedication to learning by students and staff during these difficult times.

Staffing Update:

Our enrollment is projected to be 703 students for next school year.

This has allowed us to not surplus any teachers at CWSS and we will be trying to hire a new technology teacher.

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We would like to thank James Cleveland, Department Head of Arts, Tech, Coop, Foods, and Business on his advancement as an Instructional Coach of Technology and Innovation at the District Level.

James Cleveland built an entire technology program from a bare room at Cairine Wilson Secondary School and has provided excellent departmental and school leadership during his tenure at CWSS.

We will also be having some positions for next year that will be filled by Long Term Occasional Teacher positions.

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:

[CWSS Graduation 2021 2022](#)

Pedagogy:

As an Admin Team we are focussing on Teacher Collective Efficacy as our number one priority for the school year 2022 - 2023.

Knowledge and Understanding: John Hattie - High Yield Strategies

8. Financial Report

- Derek informed Council that the current balance is \$5124.37
- There are cheques still to be cashed for \$2079.08
- The total of committed funds is \$700
- Uncommitted total is \$2345.29
- A short discussion was held regarding carrying money forward to next year.
- No funds will be required for coffee and treats at the Graduation ceremony as they are trying to limit people gathering.

9. Other Business

- Jennifer P asked what she should do with all the “council paperwork” – she will pass it on to Heather as she will be attending the first Council meeting of the year.
- Jennifer P has two boxes of various supplies at home and needs to pass them on (1 is craft fair stuff and the other is miscellaneous supplies left from previous staff breakfast and graduation.) She will make arrangements to get them to the right people.
- Jennifer P asked if we planned to have a teacher breakfast this year. It was decided that it was not advisable due to ongoing restrictions for groups gathering. Instead, Jennifer P will coordinate coffee and treats for a date still to be decided. There are approximately 82 staff members. She will wait for details on dietary restrictions from Laurie before deciding on what will be served. Derek proposed that no more than \$400 be spent on this event. Jennifer P seconded the motion and all were in favour.

10. Next Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Thursday, June 16 @ 7pm.
- We will attempt to have the next meeting in-person, outside at the school.

13. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.