



Record of Decision - 2013-12-05

1. Welcome and Attendance: Jim Elliot, Kevin Gilmore, Miriam Halevy, Connie Hamilton Jesso, Corrie Hamilton, Juniper Hayes, Allison Lamothe, Donata Leuenberger, Rachelle Sintic, Andrew Solomon, Eamonn Stinson O’Gorman, Lori Stinson, Cameron Stotts, Susan Woodhouse
Regrets: Debbie Aufleger, Hana Bland, Andrea D’Entremont, Jacquie Fildes, Nancy Lebrun, Janet Patch, Christine Reus
2. Approval of the Record of Decision for Nov. 7, 2013 Meeting
 - a) **Motion:** Connie motioned to approve minutes as amended.
Seconded: Lori
Carried
3. Reports
 - a) Voices (Student) Report – Eamonn Stinson O’Gorman, Cameron Stotts
 - Recent and upcoming events
 - i. Parade of Lights – CW awarded “Best High School Float” this year for the 5th year in a row!
 - ii. PJ week being planned
 - iii. Christmas assembly in the works
 - iv. “Free the Children” food drive being organized before Christmas for the food bank
 - v. Tacky Sweater Tuesdays
 - vi. Post Leadership Camp potluck was organised for sharing of information
 - vii. Link Crew are planning a Lip Sync
 - viii. Link Crew’s second Grade 9 Social “Colour Me Crazy” pizza and dance off
 - ix. Organising ribbons to hand out to increase awareness of violence against women (Montreal Massacre)
 - x. Dance Dec. 12th with purple theme “Do it for Daron”. Outside students welcome with RSVP
 - b) Teacher’s Report – Andrew Solomon
 - Grade 8 day was successful
 - Ms Robinson Sisk and students gathered \$250 donations for the Philippines via The Red Cross
 - Two Grade 9 geography classes collected \$200 for families in need.
 - “Free the Children” \$50 towards “Operation Come Home” and a turkey meal food drive coming next week.
 - Angel Tree to be set up for children in need.
 - Mr. Barber organising fundraiser for varsity girls soccer (march break tour) to England on Jan. 31st. Details coming
 - Cross Country ski team has more than 35 members (up from 11). Looking for donations as we are short on XC skis.
 - Christmas assembly planned for Dec. 19th.
 - c) Principal’s Report – Kevin Gilmore
 - The Band & Drama Students are on their way to New York City at this time
 - Chateau Laurier tree decorated on Nov. 24th

- The 30 hour famine and Parade of Lights were successful and thank you to Doug Champagne for providing the flat bed truck and driver.
- Grade 8 visit had great reviews. Teachers gave mini lessons so students could get a glimpse of high school. Thank you to the Link Crew and Staff.
- Awards won for wrestling and Sr. Boys Volleyball
- Winter sports are starting. New this year - Curling
- Arts night Dec. 17th Drama and Band Production
- Craft Fair – Thank you for another successful year!
- Summative season starts next week
- Rainbow Youth Forum on Nov. 28th, led by Deb Scully
- Teaching staff not in school on Dec. 20th, therefore last day of school is Dec. 19th.
- Vice Principal – Rachelle Sintic
- There are assessment evaluation changes.
- Professional development of staff for expectation based marking that creates a transparency and helps students understand what is expected.

d) Chair's Report – Susan Woodhouse

- Would like to have a school council constitution by the end of the school year.
- There are some mandates from the board, and other positions on council that can be filled. All members can vote on the constitution except for the Principal. Teachers get a vote and students get a vote. Hope to have a draft by the end of March.

- Treasurer's Report – Donata Leuenberger

Addenda provided to council members by Donata:

- i) Updated Budget
- ii) Historical disbursements 2009-2013

- a) **Motion:** Eamonn motioned to approve budget and disbursements as presented by Donata.

Seconded: Lori

Carried

5. Old Business

- a) Craft Sale Report – Debrief to be given by Janet in January.

- b) PRO Grant – 3 workshops to be held.

- Topics as per survey results:

3. How to help our kids plan, prioritise, focus, etc.
4. Anxiety and Stress: Coping with school, family, and peer demands.
5. Picking post secondary programs, with future
6. employment in mind.

- Next month we will be selecting the speakers for these workshops.

- Call for volunteers

- c) School Improvement Plan

- Using smart goals that are measurable
- Focus – reading for meaning
- Math – emphasis on struggling students
- further discussion next month

6. Action Items

Next CWSS Council Meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2014 @ 7PM in the School Library

a) Teachers Wish List – disbursement of funds

Addendum with new additions provided by Andrew Solomon.

Cork board provided to Drama class by Donata as a donation.

Discussion regarding disbursements suggested as follows:

\$675 Band (for lighting)

\$650 Library (for materials)

\$500 Phys Ed. (uniforms)

\$500 Robotics (kits)

\$470 Phys Ed. (boot camp equipment.)

\$400 Tech (mitre saw)

\$300 Phys Ed. (stereo for upstairs gym)

\$3,495 Total

Motion: Connie motions to spend \$3495 on teacher disbursements as suggested

Seconded: Allison

Carried

b) Next Meeting:

- Reschedule Feb. 6th meeting due to school scheduling conflict. Meeting has been changed to Feb. 13th

7. New Business

- No new business

8. Adjournment: **Motion:** Susan motioned we adjourn for sharing holiday treats.

Seconded: Juniper

Carried 9:47pm