

# SCC Meeting Minutes September 28, 2020 @ 7 pm

#### In Attendance:

Alyson Van Beinum

Mark Lynch

**Basil Broumeriotis** 

Tiffani Jodoin

Maureen Verhoog

Phil Matsushita

Thomas Kallstrom

Betsey Ramsey Lucinda Vanderhorst

Kelly Kennedy

Suzanne Orr

Carrie Rands Flanagan

Naomi Mesbur-Beck

Melissa Malcolm

Kayla Malcolm

Zahed Anis

Jason Fiorotto

Kim Kalinich

Kamila Tucker

Shawn Connery (joined at 8:11)

Introductions of Admin team Introductions of Parents

New information - timetabling - update as to where we are; virtual school started in summer August to September timeline currently staffed at 180 teachers - 3200 students; challenges of matching timetables to students; priority focus of Grade 12s to honour post secondary pathways; additional support - 8 retired counsellors/support as well as counsellors from all ss;

<u>Communication</u> - over 2000 emails sent to one email address; no clerical; only one to address attendance; now we have 4 clerical; now have a phone number

<u>Guidance information</u> - community service hours - still don't have a definite answer; believe we are still collecting those hours; scholarships/bursaries - students to apply through their home school b/c that is graduating school; tt changes to continue for Quads 2-4. Quad 2 mostly settled, potential for change in Quad 3-4

School Programs - focus on core courses, those needed for graduation, French, can't offer everything; we are not like their home school as we can't offer all courses that regular schools can.

Student expectations for attendance and block 4 - virtual is a synchronous model, not like elearning; students are required to be in class for all 4 blocks. Students are required to be in Block 4 for teacher support. They are working independently but with support.

<u>Extracurriculars</u> - polling staff to get their interests so we can start this up virtually. Eg. Book clubs, etc.

<u>Technology</u> - 7-12s have been established with Chromebooks, huge demand as a result of additional elementary demand; IT backlogged from Sept. 9th; have hired more IT on staff - Chromebook shortage globally; difficult to swap Chromebooks; Mark adding info/how to videos to help students navigate Chromebooks; ask teachers to get student Chromebooks serviced as it is quickest way.

<u>Inclusive Student Services</u> - 4 SERTs; 11 EAS; Virtual Hubs. currently experimenting with different models of this. Trying to build communication through Google forms to have students sign up for support with EAs and extra staff; trying to be as much like face to face schools as possible

<u>Questions</u>: Where can they see course descriptions; guidance can prepare and offer Career cruising closed; replaced by My Blueprint which is now being rolled out; parents can Google a course code to find Ministry Docs

#### SCC Constitution/Elections:

Executive Elected Positions
Teacher Rep - Thomas Kallstrom
Non Teacher Representative - looking to secure this position
Student Rep - Kayla Malcolm and 1 other
Community Rep - looking to secure this position, can be a social worker, police liaison officer

Intro of Thomas and Kayla

### Roles of SCC

Fundraiser possibilities - graduation awards, voting members, characteristics you would like to see in a school and principal; receive \$ from the government about \$500; formal reports need to be filled out.

Ad hoc members are non voting but are welcome to attend all meetings; voting members need to fill out a form and then a chair, vice-chair, secretary, treasurer are elected. Virtual circumstances - will forfeit forms to be filled out.

<u>Question</u> asking who would like to be chair - type in chat box. Suggestion to have two co-chairs - Betsey Ramsey volunteered to be Chair.

Absent for more than two meetings without a valid reason, members will lose your voting privileges.

Kelly Kennedy volunteered to be secretary.

Kim Kalinich volunteered to be treasurer.

<u>Times of Meetings</u> - last Monday of the month.

Form for voting members are available on the website.

Kelly and Lucinda are also members of the SCC at their home school

## Discussion Items/ New Business -

Kerry Rands Flanagan - formalization between maintaining a connection with Homeschool for students; need to build a sense of community for students with Virtual School; we are brainstorming ideas on how to do that.

Betsey Ramsey - IT Q - clarification of teacher input for student Chromebook support - when Q3 and 4 subjects will be chosen? No date as of yet but people are working on it. Will put out the date as soon as we know; we need to ensure there is a process in place. Number of courses will be affected by number of students enrolled in virtual in February.

Kayla Malcolm - How will virtual students connect with clubs at homeschools?

Betsy and Alyson will meet to discuss the next SCC meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm