

BAYSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL

School Council Meeting Notes

March 2, 2011

Present: Mitch Lauzon, Diana Lauzon, Arlene Ravensbergen, Lori Cole, Janet Bush, Bev Denyes, Maryse Bisson, Shirley Gearns, John Reid, Monica Reid, Mac MacGillivray, Grant Montgomery, Paul Pickard, Greg Southorn, Tina Spicer

1. Welcome and Introductions

Welcome back.

2. Review of Previous Meeting

Notes were reviewed and approved. Some members' names were corrected. There was some discussion about the effectiveness of the late bus. We had 19 students sign up for today's run.

3. Premier At Home

Brett Neilson from the education centre came to show how to use the Premier At Home software. Installation instructions are available on the school website. CD's were made available to council members.

Instructions: <http://tinyurl.com/4nh5key>

Manuals: <http://tinyurl.com/477a5lu>

4. School Council Items

5. Principal's Report

Staffing changes: Paul will be moving to PECL effective the end of April. In September, we will be working more closely with Cliff Williams from BPS. He will be joining us as a half-time vice principal. We are going to maintain or increase our enrolment for September.

Grade 8 Transitions: Full grade 7 and 8 assembly, Stirling students came for a Fun and Fitness day, Grade 8 day, we hosted a grade 7&8 dance with about 175 future students in attendance, Grade 8 Parent information night. We are anticipating an increase in grade 9 enrolment for next year.

Achievements: Jr. Girls' Volleyball won COSSA Silver, Swim team won Bay of Quinte, COSSA and 13 went to OFSAA, Our newsletter is up to 14 pages and available on the website

Projects: Our School Group Literacy and Numeracy teams met for the second time on Monday. Our Leading Teachers project met on Tuesday. We have been using Twitter as a collaborative media for teacher learning.

UPCOMING DATES:

Early Progress Reports will be carried home on March 23, 2011

Parent Teacher Interviews will be April 7, 2011

OSSLT will be March 31, 2011

6. Other Business

Director's Annual Report has been received. BSS Teacher Emily Young is highlighted

Food for Learning Auction -- May 5, 2011 at CSS

Special Education Budget – there was a question about the proposed decrease in budget and whether this would affect the availability of Premier Software. *We are unable to predict how any cuts will affect our school specifically.*

Food For Learning – there was a question as to how the food for learning is deployed in our school. *We provide food at South Campus, the library for breakfast and lunch, and on Fridays from the EDP program. This is a service for all students who need it. Donations are accepted.*

Tutors – *Peer tutors formally assigned to some classes, ad hoc tutoring can sometimes be arranged when necessary, we provide support from the student success room for some students. MSIP is a unique way for students to get help.*

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm. The next meeting will be Wed. May. 4th 7:00 pm. We will arrange for presentations from the Relay for Life committee and the school Food for Learning program.