

I.E. WELDON SECONDARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes for Monday, September 18th, 2017 – Time 7:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Present – Jacqueline Geerlinks, Kristine Boles, Evan Lang, Lynda Craven, Anne Marie Sinasac-Roy, Lauren Goode, Angela Piggott

Regrets – Erin Matthew

Jacqueline Geerlinks will remain in her role as School Chair.

Angela Piggott will take over as Secretary in Mark Cossarin's absence.

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved by Lynda; seconded by Kristine.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

Approved by Kristine; seconded by Jacqueline.

4. New Business

None

5. Correspondence

No new correspondence.

6. Reports

SAC – Lauren Goode, Premier

- In August, we hosted Grade 9 Orientation Day to welcome Grade 9's to our school. We cooked burgers and introduced students to what SAC will do for them during their 4 years here at Weldon, and about the grade 9 rep position available.
- On Friday, Sept. 15th we hosted Superhero day to raise funds for Ms. Nash-Watson's 3 year old son. Students dressed as superheroes, and took pictures of all those dressed up to be able to send one to Noah every day. SAC raised \$824 alone and with the AU we raised over \$2214.47 to donate to Noah and his family to cover expenses.
- On Monday, Sept. 18th, we hosted Cubs and Cats day to help the Grade 9's bond with each other and their LINK leaders through games and fun activities.
- In the next few days, we should be interviewing and selecting 2 grade 9 reps to join our council. We had 12 applicants and it should be a tough decision!
- On Wednesday, Sept. 20th the SAC along with Grade 9 rep applicants and the AU, will be riding on the fair parade float to represent Weldon.

- On Friday, we host our Terry Fox kickoff assembly alongside the AU. Through various fundraisers and events, we will be facing off against the AU for the most funds raised in the name of Terry Fox.
 - On September 29th, we will be hosting the Hawaiian Dance. All profits of this dance will be put towards our Terry Fox total. It should be a great chance for our Grade 9's to be introduced to Weldon events!

Staff – none

Principal – Angela Piggott

- School enrolment at present is 1071 students (1093 students last year at this time). Even though our enrolment is down slightly this year, we continue to draw students from outside our catchment area, which helps us maintain our numbers – approx. 120 students at present. This year we have 264 Grade 9 students compared to 244 Grade 9 students last year.
- Overall student results in 2nd semester of the 2016 – 2017 school year were very strong. Success rate of 98% (3,227 out of 3,286 credits achieved).
- Out of 225 graduates in 2016 - 2017, 106 students were Ontario Scholars, 40 of those students had an average greater than 90%
- The school uses primarily voicemail, the school website, and Twitter (@IEWeldonSS) to share information. Check the school website (www.iew.tldsb.on.ca.) for the Events Calendar which allows access to the daily announcements electronically and lists school activities.
- Parents/guardians are encouraged to contact teachers directly with any questions or concerns regarding a student's progress. All teacher email addresses are located under the staff icon on the school website.
- PALS students, Best Buddies, SAC, AU, and Link Crew leaders participated in Love Your Trail Day on Sept. 6th
- Shaun Boothe (Live Your Legacy tour, rap artist) presentations were held on September 15th. There was a workshop in the afternoon for selected students.
- October 6th and November 24th – P.D. Days – no classes
- I.B. grad is Friday, October 6th at 6:30 in cafeteria
- Mark update week – October 16th -20th
- Parents' Night is set for Thursday, October 26th from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.
- Honour's Assembly is Thursday, November 2nd at 8:30 a.m.
- College Day at Fleming College in Peterborough is on Oct. 3rd and the University Information Program will be at St. Thomas Aquinas S.S. on Nov. 9th. Busses will be provided to take students to the events.
- Interim report cards will be distributed on Friday, November 17th in Per.1 classes
- Fall Sports
 - Junior Girls Basketball – Leslie Creeden

