

**Westwood Senior High School
Governing Board Minutes Wednesday, February 8, 2017
Type of Meeting - Governing Board Regular 6 - 17 # 6**

Attendees: Sheila Honeyborne Laura Pfeiffer
Lynn Austin Mark Smith
Jacques Grenier Dan Rassi
Lucas Petropoulos Lynn Fitzpatrick
Anna Lisa Taylor Danny Olivenstein
David O'Grady

Regrets/Absent: Lisa Fougere Frank Clarke Helen Garoufalidis

Invited Guests: None

Public: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved: Mark SMith
Seconded: David O'Grady
Motion carried unanimously

2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Meeting of Wednesday, December 14, 2016

Moved: Anna Lisa Taylor
Seconded: Dan Rassi
Motion carried unanimously

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

Nothing to report

4. Public question period

No public present

5. Reports

5.1 Principal's Report

Two staff changes took place on January 31, 2017. One teacher left on sabbatical (Matt Luthi) and one returned from sabbatical (Danielle Dubois). Discussion took place about proposed Financial Literacy course for grade 11. How will it work? It will be part of the Contemporary World course....details are to come.

(see principal's report for more info.)

5.2 Students

Mid-terms are finished and went well.

Ski trip group just returned from a great trip to Mont Ste. Anne and Le Massif. Three days of fun, 2 days at Mont Ste. Annie and 1 at Le Massif

IDP group is leaving on their trip in 25 days March 6 - 21

Variety Show M.C.'s have been chosen and are now getting together to discuss their role

They have started sharing ideas for the show, A date has not been chosen yet

Probably will be in Mid-AprilDate must not coincide with TOPS rehearsals or TOPS show

Girls' basketball team played against Bishops in a tournament. They came in second but won by total points they scored

They won two games, lost two games but ranked highest in points

Yearbook committee has started their meetings and is in full swing. The grads have sent in their quotes for the yearbook

Sr. hockey team played a game in St. Lazare against a team from Paris, France and lost 7-0

Sr. camping trip is coming up on Feb. 24, 25 and 26 to Arundel....we are waiting for attendance forms to be returned

Open house was last Thursday, it was very successful Anna Lisa Taylor was in the art class welcoming people to the classroom and showcasing the talented artists of our school

School tours took place for parents and future students

5.3 Sector Parents Committee

See Frank's report

5.4 Treasurer

Nothing to report for this month

5.5 Home & School

See home and school report

5.6 Commissioner

Discussed the tragic events that took place last week in Quebec City.
SNAC report we have \$4 million dollars less than we need for this dossier
We have to do more with less money
Student commissioners have been giving reports - we are the only school board that has student commissioners and they do great presentations
See his report for more information

5.7 Bridge to Burundi

Nothing to report

6. New Business/Correspondence

Nothing to report

6.1 Field trip approvals

Model UN would like to attend a conference in Ottawa. They will attend with 10 students, 3 adults. Tuesday March 21, stay overnight, return on March 22.
Cost will be \$85.00 per person

Moved: Mark Smith
Seconded: David O'Grady
Motion accepted

6.2 Change of Schedule Approvals

Nothing to report

6.3 Rental and Service Contracts

Wrestling group would like to book the gym two nights a week and use our equipment.
Will the mats be cleaned after this activity?
Could we get more information on this from the city?
Monday & Wednesday 7 - 9 p.m.

6.4 E-vote ratifications

Nothing to report

6.5 Consultations

6.5.1 2017 - 2018 Budget Consultation

See Laura's memo to France D'Aoust

6.5.2 Principal Criterion Consultation

Discussion took place about the qualities we would like to see in a principal for our school.

What are we looking for in a principal? We can make suggestions to the board for our future administrators

6.6 Grant Measure 30170

Government grants handed out for wellness, homework, and initiatives

In November we received confirmation from education ministry that we will receive grant money to spend on student initiatives

Sheila explained that she must show governing board that she intends to spend the money on school related initiatives and list what these initiatives are.

7. Questions and comments / Varia

Discussion about phones in classes. We want to limit the use of phones in classes in the future and focus on using chromebooks instead. Chromebooks are seen as a professional tool whereas smartphones are used a social tool.

Teacher evaluations have been done and the process is being re-evaluated. Once teachers reach tenure they do not have to be evaluated.

8. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Motion to Approve: Jacques Grenier

Seconded: Lynn Austin

Motion carried unanimously

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 15 2017

Sheila Honeyborne – Principal

Laura Pfeiffer - Chairperson