

## **Student Advisory Council**

### Meeting Minutes

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**In Attendance:** Jean Marsh, Regan Maloney, Sue Stevenson, Denise Dickinson, Cassia Bard-Cavers, Emma Trottier

**In Regrets:** Andrew Dickinson, Karlene Morris, Lori Kyle

**Call to Order:** 6:00 p.m.

### **Old Business**

1. Letter of Agreement
  - This is an agreement between CCRSB, PRHS, and The Department of Education; it states the regulations of the council (i.e. mission statement, members, guidelines for the council, etc.). This document will be signed at the next meeting.
2. O2
  - The O2 program is for students in grade 10. They learn about themselves, their goals, explore careers, and figure out ways to connect and be engaged with their school and community.
3. Co-op
  - Through the co-op program students have work placements and must achieve 100 hours of volunteer time. Through these placements they gain experience in certain fields, and are helped towards their post-secondary goals.

### **New Business**

1. Principal's Notes
  - There is a possibility of a teacher's strike. The teacher's union is recommending they vote to strike. The negotiations between the government and the union are in regards to evolving classroom conditions, and different challenges teachers have; as well as class size, and new developments that put pressure on teachers.
  - PGAP: this is an ongoing assessment for teachers to help them better their work and provide program support.
  - The school is now much cleaner than it has been in previous years. However, the walls are plain. There has been a request made for student art to be hung and displayed.
  - All fundraising must be approved; but grants are applied for through the school.
  - SSP goals have been revised/redone. The new goals as mandated by the Department of education relate to numeracy and literacy.
  - The school is trying to form a band
  - XEROX will be leasing new printers and photocopiers to the school. It could save the school money, but is a contract with several schools.
  - There was a 10 Days in October art display featuring student art.
2. Student Council Update
  - A Halloween spirit week is being planned. It will include dress up days and small activities.

- Spirit wear sales are currently going on. However, parents may not have known about it as sales were low. The council will be looking at better ways to advertise information.
- We Scare Hunger will be happening in the community. This is a program to support our local food bank through WEday programs.
- The NSSSA group in the school will be meeting soon. There is a junior high conference in December the school could send students to.
- Picture day was unfortunately crossed with Retro Spirit day.
- The idea of having a question of the week for students to consider was discussed.

**Adjournment:** 7:10 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 6 p.m.