



St. David Catholic Secondary School
Heart of the Community, Success for Each, A Place for All
School Council Minutes

Date:	Sept. 29 2015	Facilitator	Gary Simon, Anna Winnett	Prayer:	JD
Time:	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Location:	Library	Recorder:	Gary Simons

Present: John Dietrich, Annette Dlugokeki, Sheryl Dineen, Nicole Roach, Suzy Petrisino, Christine Hampton, Debbie Nafziger, Deonne Cerullo, , Martina Rett, Cheryl Huehn, , Grace Gladding, Justyne Johanns, Anna Winnett, , Gary Simons,

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome	Anna and Gary welcomed everyone to the start of a new year for Council Motion to approve May minutes	Motion: Debbie Nafziger 2 nd by Martina Rett
Introductions	All Council members, current and new introduced themselves. New Council members include parents Nicole Roach, Maria Lambour, Jennifer McDonald, Paula Ronson, and Sheryl Dineen	
Correspondence	Gary reported on three pieces of correspondence: letters of thanks from the School Council scholarship recipients Paul Scarfone and Jaime Simons, and an thank you from the St. David Breakfast Club for Council's support.	
Role of Council	Principal Dietrich and Gary reviewed the role of Council. Gary provided a summary of Council's main activities last year.	
Principal's Report	John provided a printed report on the start of school events and procedures.	
New co-presidents for 2015-2016	The new Student Council co-Presidents introduced themselves: Justyne Johanns – Last year was her first year on Student Council came from Sir John A Macdonald – good to come in with the perspective of 2 different school boards Grace Gladding – Has been on student council since grade 10 as well as Link Crew since grade 11. Is involved in the athletics and clubs at the school. She	



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	loves all the programs at St. David and is excited to implement new ideas next year to increase school spirit.	
Student Report	<p>Justyne and Grace reported on the Opening BBQ, Picture Day, the Club and Team Fair, the autumn School Council retreat, the Terry Fox run, the creation of a new Special Education Council Executive and a new Arts Council, and a Grade 8 Student Senate meeting with the co-Presidents, and the October 15th Homecoming Day, with a pep rally, football game and dance</p> <p>There was a discussion about how Registration can be done more quickly and easily. Electronic registration? Possibly a separate line for each alphabet grouping or guides to make sure there is a steady flow to each registration table? Possible new starting time- 11AM instead of 12? Less confusing timetables?</p>	For further discussion
50 th Anniversary Celebrations	Jacque Wettlaufer was not able to attend to make her report.	She will send out a report via e-mail. (attached to these minutes)
Chair Report	PRO Grant update: Gary reported that all four schools – St. David, St.	



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	<p>Luke, St. Matthew and St. Teresa Elmira have received their PRO grants. Now the organizers will have to agree on a speaker, a theme and a date.</p> <p>Annual Report: Gary presented a printed summary of last year's Council activities</p> <p>Used Clothing Sales: Christine reported that the pre-school Used Uniform Sale was very successful. Over \$6600 was raised. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out in June and in September. Council will need a new person to organize the June collection and the September sale for next year.</p> <p>Academic Awards Night: Christine stepped in to organize the volunteers for the hospitality services at the Academic Awards Night. Thank you to all volunteers.</p> <p>Issues for Council's next meeting: The focus of our next two meetings will be reviewing grant requests. Gary presented a proposed set of criteria to all Council members to help in the decision-making process. Annette Dlugkecki will contact the staff and look after grant submissions.</p>	<p>We need to select the volunteer leaders for the Uniform Sale and for the Academic Awards Night before the end of this school year.</p>
Volunteer Leaders for Council Activities	The following Council members volunteered to lead this year's activities:	



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<p>New business</p>	<p>50th Anniversary Liaison: Nicole Roach</p> <p>Grade Eight Night Volunteers : Gary Simons</p> <p>Staff Appreciation Breakfast: Gary Simons</p> <p>Teacher of the Year Selection Committee: Suzy Petrosino, Nicole Roach, Gary Simons</p> <p>Semi-Formal Dance Supervision: Suzy Petrosino, Cheryl Huehn</p> <p>School Council Scholarship Committee: Paula Ronson, Suzy Petrosino, Gary Simons</p> <p>Used School Uniform collection: Sheryl Dineen, Cheryl Huehn</p> <p>Commencement Hospitality (arranging volunteers, ordering the cake) :_____</p> <p>Used Uniform Sales (September 2016) : Anna Winnett</p> <p>Academic Awards Hospitality (2016) : _____</p>	
<p>Election of Council Co-Chairs and Secretary</p>	<p>Gary Simons and Suzy Petrosino volunteered to serve as co-Chairs.</p> <p>We still need a Council Secretary to keep minutes.</p>	<p>Volunteer needed for Council Secretary position</p>



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Closing	Next Council meeting will be on October 27 th at 6:00 pm	
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ST. DAVID CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

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School Council Principal Report

September 2015

2015-2016 School Demographics & Achievement Data

Current Enrolment – 1026 (65 of which are international students)

Teaching Staff – 67

Support Staff (EA's and CYCW) – 19

Support Staff (Office and facilities) - 11

<u>Credit Success Rates</u>	<u>Level 3 & 4</u>
Grade 9 – 98.7%	82.4%
Grade 10 – 97.2%	74.5%
Grade 11 – 96.7%	77.1%
Grade 12 – 94.8%	82.8%

OSSLT – First Time Eligible – 92% (Board 85%, Province 82%) [+6%]
- Previously Eligible – 71% (Board 58%, Province 49%) [+20%]

Grade 9 EQAO – Applied – 48.6% Prov. Standard or higher 91% - Passed [-18%]
Academic – 81% Prov. Standard or higher 97% - Passed [+2%]

CCCC – Co-Curricular Involvement (Involved in at least 1 co-curricular)

Grade 9: 93% [213/229 students]
Grade 10: 80% [191/238 students]
Grade 11: 88% [229/261 students]
Grade 12: 76% [216/285 students]

School Council Budget

2014-2015

Opening Balance - \$10 851.75 (includes PRO and PIC grants)

Allocated - \$9929.00 (standing items and school group applications)

Expenses - \$7463.00 (includes overspending in Awards Night, underspending in 9 categories)

Closing Balance - \$3565.68 (unspent PRO and PIC balances removed)

2015-2016

Opening Balance - \$3565.68

Used Uniform Sales - \$6860.00 (2014-2015 \$6740)

Annual Grants - \$1500 (PRO and PIC)

Working Balance - \$11 925.68 (\$10425.68 w/o PRO and PIC)

Facilities Update

Over the course of the summer we have had some significant work done to improve our facilities. In the late spring/early summer, all hallways, washrooms, stairwells and stage were painted. We had new, motorized bleachers installed in the gym and



replaced the lift mechanisms of the basketball nets in the stadium courts. We began preparing for the Timothy Schmalz statue by having a concrete pad poured in the courtyard. New bike, new benches racks and an additional security camera will be installed in the courtyard area this fall. Over 1100 solar panels were installed on the roof, they are due to be activated shortly after a final Hydro One inspection.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 30	Terry Fox Run
Oct. 1	We Day (Toronto ~20 SDCSS Students) Academic Awards Night 7pm – St. Agnes Parish 8 th Annual Diocesan Mass 5pm – St. Mary's Parish
Oct. 9	Opening School Mass – 50 th Anniversary Bishop Crosby – 9:35am – 10:50am
Oct. 12	Thanksgiving – no school
Oct. 14	Civvies Day – Food Items or \$ for Syrian Refugee Relief Fund
Oct. 15	Pep Rally – Period 3 Coffee House – 7pm
Oct. 19	Photo Retake Day
Oct. 20 – 23	Celtic Spirit Week
Oct. 22	Progress Report Distribution
Oct. 27	School Council – 6pm
Oct. 29	Parent/Student Teacher Conferences 3:00pm – 8:00pm