

DHS School Council Meeting January 26, 2009

Present: Marilyn Findlay, Renee Gould, Diane Hammond, Kathy McConnachie, Linda Dahmer and Sue Wice

Rene Chaired the meeting and welcomed the group and asked if there were any conflicts of interest to declare. None declared.

Agenda:

The Agenda was approved by Rene and seconded by Linda. Amendments – omit Member's Update Red Lake Presentation as Cyndi is absent.

Minutes:

The Minutes were approved by Rene and seconded by Diane. Amendments – Janet's last name corrected and NORWOSSA and NWOSSA corrected.

Business Arising from Minutes:

Website –

- No update – Kathy will follow up.

Principal's Report:

Kathy delivered the Principal's Report. Highlights included:

- Currently finishing Semester 1. End tasks and exams are completed. Report Cards Feb 9-09.
- Success plan will be reviewed after achievement data is finalized.
- Funding for Semester 2 received from Aboriginal Office to pilot a student mentoring model.
- Planning for 2009-10 year. Items discussed – MultiSkills technology curriculum, increasing student numbers in COM Tech, increasing enrolment in Family Studies and Parenting courses, curriculum reviews, programming supports for student with gaps in literacy and numeracy, provision of all year Math programming in Grade 9 and 10 for at risk students.
- MOE is funding a match coaching model which we'll be developing at the school.
- Five teachers working on a Board project re advanced differentiated instruction.
- Student Voice Group up and running.
- Board's District Review Team will visit DHS in February.
- Teachers are preparing students for OSSLT.
- Outdoor Education Program begins in Semester 2.
- International Travel Group planning for March departure. 2009-10 trip plans underway.

Chair's Report:

- No report available.

Student Update:

- No report available.

Safe Grad Update:

- No report available.

New Business:

- Governance Review Consultation and Native Education Advisory Committee – defer both to next meeting.

It's Your Minute:

Discussion on whether or not there is an increase in violence in the school. Kathy briefed the group on protocols for dealing with issues. Noted a Bullying Survey will be administered.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm

Next Meeting – February 23 – 7 pm