

DHS School Council Meeting November 17, 2008

Present: Candi Wall, Marilyn Findlay, Renee Gould, Bill Hovi, Adam Boone, Taylor Cedermas, Diane Hammond, Scott Urquart, Janet Hartley.

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

Agenda:

The Agenda was approved by Janet and seconded by Rene.

Minutes:

The Minutes were approved by Bill and seconded by Janet.

Business Arising from Minutes:

Website –

- We could have a student update if we want to link off of the current Eagles website. We could post members names, meeting dates and minutes.

OSAID –

- We are still registered with the provincial group. If we want a chapter in our school we might ask the Leadership class to consider for second semester.

Pro Grant –

- This could be used for the printing and advertising requirements for our “Preparation for Exam” campaign. Bill also brought examples of publications that are available – “How to Get the Most out of High School and 10 Steps to Success”.

MISA Reporting System –

- The Managing Information about Student Achievement system was introduced to the Council by Scott Urquhart. It’s all about using data to really see what’s going on with the student population and academics. It is beneficial in building future focus at DHS and for adjusting the student success plan. An actual demonstration of the system was given.

Principal’s Report:

- Tutoring program has been added and there needs to be advertising that it is available. There are also transportation logistics issues with out of town students being able to participate.
- Honour Roll breakfast went over well.
- School Store is opening in December.

Chair's Report:

- Accommodation review meetings are being held in Hudson and Sioux Lookout.
- Report on mock disaster – too many doors to cover at DHS.
- People for Education conference in Toronto – focus on how can your school be used for “centre of community”.
- Area Council meeting report.
- There is a dinner meeting tomorrow night at DHS Room 115 with area councils sharing ideas.
- Aboriginal class – would they mentor other schools - looking into this.

Rene attended a Northern Youth Conference and reported on her sessions.

Student Update:

- Adam reported they have a Facebook network.
- NORWOSSA and NWOSSA showed good spirit during events.
- Lunch hour dodge ball and floor hockey activity.

It's Your Minute:

Nothing reported.

Next Meeting – luncheon December 16-08.