

## **School Council Minutes**

**September 29, 2020**

### **London Central Secondary School – Virtual**

Carol Anderson, Jamie Clarke, Tammy Vacante, Tiffany Atcheson, Sandeep Bains, Besty Caucutt, Angela Efstratidakis, Denise Goens, Connie Ferri, Carlos Kriek, Viorica Rusu, Amanda Zhao

#### **Welcome**

LCSS Principal Tammy Vacante welcomes all.

Elections for Council Chair and Secretary are not necessary; Carol Anderson and Jamie Clarke will stand again in their roles. Ms. Anderson nominated Connie Ferri as Treasurer, second by Ms. Atcheson, unanimous vote to approve.

#### **Old Business**

The proposed resource guide for incoming grade 9 parents was put on hold when the schools were closed due to the pandemic. The grant money TVPIC awarded last is still available for this purpose.

#### **New Business**

Career Night will be held on December 1, 2020. Options/suggestions are being looked at for moving it to a virtual platform.

#### **Financial Report – delivered by Ms. Vacante**

LCSS School's Council has \$950 in funds available of Special Project Funds. There is a carry-over of \$186.37 from last year's budget.

#### **School Reports**

##### **Principal Report – Tammy Vacante**

The school is following the Ministry guidelines and protocols for being open during this pandemic. Students are participating either in an adaptive online environment or a cohort model for in-person learning. The principal of LCSS Online Learning is Mary Saunders.

Before school opened, staff participated in three days of professional development which included information on health and safety including mental well-being.

Please be sure to check emails for continuing updates from LCSS, the Board and the Ministry on COVID procedures and protocols. Included recently was a self-screening tool for students before

they go to school. Should a student become ill during the school day, there is an isolation room available in the main office.

LCSS has restricted access to the building this year. Students are to enter/exit through the front entrances only. Unlike previous years, the doors will not open until 8 am and will close at 8:30 am. Students needing late admission will have to ring the bell or use their mobile phones to call the main office. Students are encouraged to wear their own masks; disposable masks will be available to those who need. See emails/newsletters from LCSS with details of drop-off and pick-up zones.

Students are instructed to go directly to their classes and not linger in the corridors.

Students will not be assigned lockers this year. This is a precaution in case schools close unexpectedly.

Students may leave the building for lunch however they may not come/go during the time. Doors will only be opened a few minutes before after-lunch class resumes.

If a student is absent, there will be provisions to catch-up. Learning support will be available. There is a study block at the end of the in-person school day.

The music department has been adapting to Covid protocols.

Orange Shirt Day will be held on two days to include students from both cohorts including trauma-sensitive history of residential schools and survivors.

Changes to your student's schedule, remote/in-person learning, will be available for second semester. Changes are not guaranteed but will be considered.

**Student Parliament – Representative TBD**, after elections have been held

**Staff – Teacher Representative TBD**, Ms. Vacante is soliciting representatives. Library and Guidance departments will be among those asked.

## **General Information and Updates**

**Meeting Adjourned** – motion by Jamie Clarke, second Connie Ferri