

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Minutes of School Council Meeting

May 12, 2009

Present:

Gary Brohman (Principal)
Helen Calloway
Jan McMaster
Jen Paton (Teacher Rep)
Duane Pratt
Rob Taylor
Marlene Vieira (recording)

Absent:

Jim Henwood
Sharon Luke
Cathy Outram
Tammy Rea
Jacquie Richards

1. Minutes of the School Council Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of April 7, 2009 were approved by consensus.

2. Ads on Radio

Sharon Luke had submitted a written update prior to the meeting, noting that \$605.67 of radio time at Canoe FM remains on account. Individual ads cost approximately \$137. It was agreed that the remaining credited radio time could be used for advertisements this upcoming fall, e.g. first school council meeting.

3. School Council Grant

With respect to the \$500 School Council grant, a consensus was reached that the Principal should spend \$500 on environmentally friendly items for the Eco-School initiative.

4. Principal's Report

Principal, Gary Brohman circulated his written report to the Council, and provided details around the following items:

- Party in the Right Spirit
- Student Trustee – Group of Seven
- Co-Captains – SAC
- 30-Hour Famine and CPAR
- Eat Smart Committee
- Breakfast Club
- Late Bus for HHSS
- Coaches / Drama and Music Teachers
- Examination Schedule for June and Commencement
- Presentation of Board Indicator Data (Credits Accumulation)
- School Calendar 2009-10 (updated since last meeting)
- Audit for Eco Schools May 13
- Code Red Drill May 13

4. Principal's Report (Continued)

Questions of clarification were responded to throughout the report. The outstanding calibre of HHSS staff was acknowledged as Principal Brohman highlighted the programs and activities provided to students. Community and student volunteers were also commended for their contributions to a successful school experience for those attending Hal High. As well, the outstanding leadership skills of many students, such as SAC Co-Captains and Student Trustees, were noted. It was agreed that some letters of appreciation and congratulations to various individuals would be sent out on behalf of the School Council (see Action below).

It was pointed out that the school year calendar has been revised since the last meeting and students will now return to school after Labour Day (September 8).

Gary Brohman then reviewed the results of the Board Indicator Data, dated January 8, 2009, which summarized statistics related to credit accumulation by grade and gender. The report also broke down comparisons by Board to Province, as well as all of the schools in Trillium Lakelands DSB. The Council agreed that the report is a good news item and reflects positively on both the students and staff of HHSS.

Appreciation was expressed to Gary Brohman for providing the Council with excellent, informative reports each meeting and ensuring that parents are well versed in all facets of student life at HHSS.

ACTION:

The following letters will be prepared by Jan McMaster and Marlene Vieira:

- Appreciation to SAC Co-Captains Mitch Rea and Lindsey Snelgrove
- Appreciation to Valerie Smith re late bus provision
- Congratulations to Paul Morissette re Teacher Impact Award

5. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The next meeting (Annual Meeting) will be held on September 15, 2009. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.