

HAMMARSKJOLD HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT COUNCIL MINUTES
January 29, 2020

Present: Jennifer Picard, Derek DiBlasio, Cheri Lappage, Rob Thibodeau, Paul Fayrick, Laura Pattison

1. Welcome and Introduction

Principal Derek DiBlasio welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Review and Approval of Agenda

Agenda reviewed and approved

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Minutes were reviewed and approved

4. Business Arising from Minutes

N/A

5. Teacher/Staff Report

N/A

6. Administration Report

- Exams done today
- Semester Two starts February 3
- Enrollment still about 800
- Upcoming meeting regarding renovations at the beginning of March with Jim Desaulniers to discuss: paving the rest of school, ongoing painting, 4 new science labs, upgrading security and cameras and swipe cards, as well as discussing replacing old lockers
- Any recommendations to request upgrades/recommendations?
- Two 75" TVs for math and foods
- Should we close all doors? Consider pros and cons of locking all exterior doors. Use buzzer system?
- Lakehead Public Schools now has videos online with information for students and parents to help explain transition from elementary to secondary school
- Sanctions Update – Phase III – About not doing any professional development; i.e. report cards with marks only (no comments)
- ETFO had meeting today with mediation. Going out Wednesday and Thursday next week

- OECTA – going out on Tuesday
- When OSSTF goes out, then elementary and secondary schools will close in Thunder Bay because SSP's are included
- EQAO Math did not run this year
- Literacy scheduled for March 31
- February 13 – Open House
- Math Teacher and Football coach Kevin Campbell not coming back second semester
- New teachers coming for math (Mrs. McWhirter) and other part time teachers coming as well
- Microsoft Teams being used for Principal meetings
- Family Day February 17
- March Break March 16-20
- \$1000+ in School Council Account
- Discussed using money for scholarships again
- 2019/2020 Hammarskjold scholarships on Hammarskjold website – click link under student services. Applications dues April 1, 2020
- Coaches appreciation dinner January 21

7. Student Council Report

- No student report due to exams this week

8. New Business/Other

N/A

NEXT PARENT'S COUNCIL MEETING DATE: TUESDAY MARCH 24 @ 6:30