

Kate Andrews High School Council Meeting  
Minutes  
September 24, 2018

Present: Daniel Grimes, Kris Van Wieren, Sherrie Duda, Debbie Laturus, Monica Chapman, Michelle Tucker, Tanya Gayowski, Cindee Nyrose, Rhonda Goldie, Heather Lee  
Regrets: Diane Gallagher

1.0 Call to Order

Sherrie called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm.

2.0 Welcome and Introductions

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of the Agenda was moved by Cindee, seconded by Tanya, carried.

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

4.1 June 11, 2018

There not being sufficient council members present to vote on the adoption of the June 11, 2018 minutes, the minutes were tabled to the next meeting.

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes

None.

6.0 Reports

6.1 Trustee Report – Debbie Laturus

At the September 18, 2018 organizational meeting of the Board of Trustees Robert Strauss was re-elected chair and Debbie re-elected vice-chair. The Board will be meeting October 16, 2018 with the Town of Coaldale to discuss the fire hall, capital plan and partnership proposals.

Enrolment in Palliser School District is up 20 students from projected numbers. September 30, 2018 is the final student count day.

Palliser Educational Center is due for air conditioning, heating, plumbing upgrades. The upgrades will be funded by tenants. No funds will be redirected from class rooms.

Palliser School District will be selling 4 acres of land at the Educational Center which is currently a parking lot.

Noble Central School grand opening is November 15, 2018 at 2 pm.

At a Coaldale Community Meeting on June 21, 2018, discussion centered on modernization versus new school construction in Coaldale. Coaldale's population is growing and schools will outgrow their capacity. The Town of Coaldale has offered land for a school and recreational center.

See attached report for additional administration news.

6.2 Principal's Report – Daniel Grimes

Kate Andrews High School is a unique building. There are no gathering spaces for students. The students separate into pockets throughout the school. There are limited opportunities in the school for administration to interact with students during the day. A new school design would be good. A grade 7 – 12 configuration would be good.

Student enrollment is up 30 students. With the loss of some staffing, some classes are larger. The approximately 100 grade 9 students are in 4 classes.

There are 15 international students in the school.

New this year are student advisory groups. Each student is assigned to one advisor teacher for the 4 years at Kate Andrews. The advisor groups meet daily during an 8 minute period. There may be extended advisory periods for select purposes throughout the year, such as team building.

Parent Portal, which allows parents to access child's marks and attendance, is ready to go. It will be operative once user names and passwords are finalized.

6.3 Teacher Rep Report

Kris gave the teacher's report as Scott Godin unavailable: Coupon book sale proceeds are due September 28, 2018. The student group selling the books receives the proceeds of the sale.

The school is hosting a Terry Fox Run on September 27, 2018. Pizza will be sold for \$3 a slice, proceeds to go towards the goal of raising \$700.

September 28, 2018 is Orange Shirt Day. Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of St. Joseph Mission residential school commemoration event which rose from Phyllis Webstad's story of having her new orange shirt taken away from her on her first day of school at the Mission. The Day is an opportunity to keep the discussion on residential schools current and part of the reconciliation process.

Feed the Pride received funds to continue. The Foods students will be baking snacks.

Senior boys' invitational volleyball tournament - October 19, 20, 2018.

Writer visit – Harry Bugden – October 26, 2018

An athletic charity hockey game is in the works for February 2019.

6.4 Student Rep Report

None.

7.0 Old Business

7.1 Formation of KAHS Fundraising Society – Update

Kate Andrews Pride Society was incorporated June 7, 2018. Meetings of the Society will generally be held following upcoming council meetings.

8.0 New Business

8.1 Future meeting dates

There will be at least 4 meetings during the school year.

9.0 Next Meeting Date

Monday, November 5, 2018 at 7 pm.

10.0 Adjournment

Adjournment moved by Heather, seconded by Michelle, carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.