



BRIDGEWATER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Kendra Hall, teacher
 Heather Dalton, parent
 Erin Broome, student
 Ava Livesay, student

Meeting Minutes February 19, 2019

Present:	Daphne Egilsson, Stephanie Martin, Patty Culbert, Terese Silver, Debbie Myers, Holly Veinotte, Kendra Hall, Ava Livesay, Siobhan Doyle
Regrets:	Heather Dalton, Jennifer McDonald, Denise McKean, Erin Broome
Minutes of January 15, 2019 approved	

Agenda Item	Action
<p>OHS Meeting Update and Tour of School: Occupational Health and Safety committee has concerns regarding safety of students in washrooms given gaps of doors, broken tiles, broken pipes, etc. SAC fully supports OHS contacting SSRCE to confirm need of funding for proper maintenance of washrooms.</p>	
<p>Student Council Update: Valentines Dance for grades 7-9 was fun although attendance was low due to Tuesday night conflicting activity schedules for many students. \$30 raised selling candy kisses. Next planning an activity night for grades 5-6 the week before March break.</p>	
<p>SAC Funds: As directed by SAC, Mr. Neaves' funding requests for classroom supplies was approved. Remaining requests of teachers are being reviewed by Daphne and staff will give input as to guidelines for a fair and equitable distribution of this year's SAC funds, considering also sharing between special needs, academic, sport and artistic endeavours. Review of Balance Sheet, committed expenditures, anticipated new funds from SSRCE at year end (March 31) and tax rebate, we have approximately \$3400 to yet distribute. The school's annual report to the SSRCE will include a detailing of and an explanation of our strategy for our distributed funds.</p>	<p>Daphne to confirm past SAC contributions to grad expenses.</p>

<p>SAC Membership – Letter of Agreement: Copy of draft letter of agreement shared with members for review.</p>	
<p>Change of School Name: Simple survey of staff had 34% in favour of name change, 66% against. Possible misgivings reviewed for change including worry that historical identity of school might be lost with new name. Concern remains that the descriptor of “junior high” is not reflective of the new grade range. Also noted that the unilateral removal of “senior” from the school name was not contentious. Past concerns regarding changing catchment areas and having out of town students to consider seems irrelevant now that the Dept of Education has ended the school reviews. Noted that the original name for the school was Bridgewater Academy. SAC in favour of public input.</p>	<p>Daphne to follow up with Paul Ash, new RED of SSRCE regarding process and timelines.</p>
<p>MyBlueprint.ca: Brief review of National online service for students to plan education and career path. Cost is covered but not sure of continuation over the long term. Grade nine students will be introduced this week.</p>	

Next Meeting **Tuesday, March 26, 2018, 6:30pm** (date adjusted for March Break).