



Parent Council

May 16, 2019 Minutes

Present: Karen Ferguson (Principal), Jessica Folino (Vice Principal)
Joanne George (TSS Guidance Counselor), Parents: Erin Yarnell,
Jeanette Burton, Vicky Janzen, Denise Gibson-Robichaud, Sergio
Paone, Erin Bryans

1. Review of Pro Grant April 25, 2019
 - The evening event was well received. Parents had many questions for the NRP School Resource Officers.
 - NRP would be interested in presenting to Staff, Parents and students next year.

2. Principal's Report
 - Spring Sports: Soccer, Baseball, Track and Field
 - Special Olympics: TSS Unified Special Olympic team returned with the Silver Medal for Soccer. They competed in Toronto this week.
 - Music Concert planned for June 6
 - Rankin Run- May 25. We had hoped to get more participation. It was suggested that next year we hold an assembly to promote the event.
 - Wake-A-Thon- a very well organized event that is part of the TSS culture- student look forward to this. \$6000 was raised for WE.org
 - Head Shave for Alzheimer's- Niagara Chapter. Raised \$1050 with wide spread teacher participation.

3. Resources in the school

Social Worker- Provides Social-Emotional Support for students and families, crisis management as well as referrals and linkages to community agencies

Youth Counselor-Social Emotional Support

School Nurse- supports healthy living, helped organize PRO GRANT

CASON- Supports students struggling with addictions. Will also support families affected by addiction.

Mental Health and Addictions Nurse- referral from SW. Supports students struggling with a Mental Health Diagnosis

-presentation on May 16 for graduates by Dr. Amanda Sherman (Board Psychologist) on the transition to post-secondary. This was well received but next year we would like to see it happen earlier in the year.

- Ms. George reviewed the Grad handout

4. Correspondence

-letter from OSSTF urging support for students in times of cuts

5. New Business

-Parent Council approved 6x\$250 scholarships

-will consider support for other initiatives from Craft Show Fundraising

-Next year we will continue to meet on Thursdays

-consider continuing with initiatives to support parents (book club?)