

**Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School
School Council Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2019**

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Welcome

The meeting began at 6:55 p.m. with a presentation on the OCDSB's International Certificate Program (ICP) by Kathy Scheepers from the Board.

The ICP program started as a pilot project in 2012-2013 offered to students in Grades 9 through 11, it now involves some 600 students. Students have a separate graduation ceremony to receive their certificate from the program. The Board will be having a lunch launch of the program for students. The program should not be confused with the IB program. Anita Permanand will be the teacher rep./advisor for the program at Sir Wil. Students involved in the program need to study another language (other than English or French), Rosetta Stone 1-year online access is offered. The program offers workshops online and in-person, students get to meet other students from across the district.

The Board hosts an annual board wide presentation about this program each November. The program offers students a lot of local opportunities, students do not have to go abroad to participate, but exchange/study abroad opportunities are offered in places such as France, China, and South Korea. A summative portfolio is due in Grade 12, experiential learning program. A copy of the Board's presentation on the program is available (where?). A program brochure, and more information about the ICP is available on the Board's website at www.ocdsb.ca.

Approval of the Agenda

Principal's report – Nancy Girozan

This was a busy day at the school with the Grade 10 literacy test being conducted. It went off without a hitch, Jason Rama managed all the different aspects of the testing.

In April there will be a couple of science contests held at the school.

PA Day on April 12 – teachers will be focused on subject specific topics.

The school is living in uncertain times as far as staffing goes, suggested budget cuts, option sheets are in, look at preliminary cuts to courses, start to build the timetable based on the projected enrolment. There are going to be changes coming, fewer sections, April 4 is when the allocation of sections/courses comes from the Board, until then don't know what the changes will look like, but expect that changes are coming. Will have to work with the class size average, school timetables will be put together, there will be new students or students moving to the area in the summer, final numbers come at end of September. Sir Wil has a lot of practical classes, they are smaller classes, hands-on classes, to keep those classes it may be at the expense of other classes.

The Simply Giving letter is set up for 4 times a year. Nancy looked into getting the letter to stay up on the system so that every time people log on they will see it. Also looking into the comment about the cash online system and seeing if there is a way to have the info about an event available without having to log on before you can see what the event is or what the money is for. Also discussed if there was a way to link students who are living in 2 homes so know what has been paid for between the 2 homes, i.e. once something has been paid for the student it would be nice if it went away so that it is clear it has already been paid and is not outstanding.

Teacher representative report – Michael Snow

Run for it, teacher Jennifer Angel, mental health wellness program, first meeting will be held Monday, April 8.

Two of our students have been nominated for this year's RBC capital youth awards.

There is a lot going on at the school, leadership class, basketball, wrestling city championships, badminton tournament, volleyball, hockey, ringette, a successful Seussical the Musical, OSCARS night, upcoming Kiwanis Music Festival Competition.

300 students wrote the literacy test today, if they fail the test they will follow up with guidance to see what the next steps are, good supports are in place for the students who need support. The literacy test is not like EQAO in that it is not used as exam marks, everyone writes it at the same time in March regardless of when you have English during the year, first or second semester.

The school's teacher librarian notes that the Indigenous map is currently on display in the school library and classes have been visiting the library to view it. The library now has 18 ozobots that classes/teachers can sign out/use.

The 7th annual youth conference: Indigenous Truths, Resilience and Trust Youth Conference, will take place April 23rd at Carleton University

The OSSTF's comments about the coming cuts to public education were shared with school council.

Discussion about expansion to e-learning, there is not time to get it set up by the fall, the idea is that an online course would replace a 'real' physical class.

The Band concert at Shenkman Arts Centre next Thursday April 4 is at 7 p.m. not at 5:30 p.m. as noted on the school's website/calendar.

Approval of the minutes from the last meeting

The minutes from the February council meeting were approved with a couple of corrections, a teacher's name misspelled, and an item was clarified.

Treasurer's report

Going to move everything that has already been allocated into another account so that it will be easier for council to see that the funds are spent and to see what is left.

OCASC meeting update/report

E-mental health initiatives, presentation from PLEO, Parent Lifelines of Eastern Ontario.

Banning of cell phones in schools is on the agenda, confusion, it is already like that now, and nothing would change with this from how things are in classrooms now. Is there any response to other more significant changes? Where should OCASC set its priorities when speaking to the media about this issue. The secondary school committee didn't break out at the last meeting.

Other questions/comments:

Does the school have Naloxone opioid overdose kits, nasal spray, yes, in the office.

E-waste fundraiser: 3 large TVs in Cynthia's house to pick up, need vehicles and muscle, volunteers for the event, need to put out the call for student volunteers (Heidi), and parent volunteers will be needed to run the event from 10-4 on both days, should we include clothing as well? When to start putting the signs out? Start advertising.

More water bottles and memorabilia going to be ready for convocation, nothing on Sir Wil swag on the school website right now.

New cameras for the school – waiting on go ahead with board supervisor, request for additional cameras in the building, 12 analog cameras with a dvr that records, moving to all digital, all need replaced, new system, 26 total cameras and digital dvr. Multi year financing. Summer school would have to move if the parking lot lights need to be repaired this summer.

Wally question re marking systems, letter grades and percentile grades, 3+ ministry standard, 1 pager on how students are marked in math for Grade 9 students would be helpful, kids and parents may not understand how math is graded at the high school level, presentation by the math team at the start of the school year, pathways levels and expectations, been in place for the last decade, 4th level.

Academic and applied, assessment of what level the student should stay at, pathway conversation with the teacher.

April 30th report cards come out.

For the school council/parent council table we should pick events with the biggest draw and do those ones with the table to get more volunteers/interest in council.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Summary for: School Council
Cat. #: 11000

Contact Person: Girozan, Nancy

Date	Transaction	Description	Debit	Credit	Cleared
09/25/2018	Transfer 865	To disburse Student Fees		\$174.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/27/2018	Transfer 874	Student Fee Disbursement to 11/26 39 x \$20		\$39.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Opening Balance: \$89.60

Category Balance: **\$302.60**

\$213.00

Summary for: School Council Fundraising
Cat. #: 11017

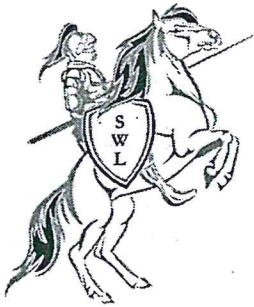
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Date	Transaction	Description	Debit	Credit	Cleared
11/30/2018	Deposit 1193	Log #133 - Simply Giving Campaign		\$75.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/04/2018	Direct Deposit 2294172	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$45.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/05/2018	Direct Deposit 2299433	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$25.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/07/2018	Direct Deposit 2309929	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$5.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/09/2018	Direct Deposit 2315242	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$75.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/14/2018	Deposit 1195	Log #157 - Simply Giving Campaign		\$58.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/18/2018	Direct Deposit 2346050	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$25.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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01/09/2019	Transfer 876	Simply Giving Campaign funds directed to Music	\$266.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
01/09/2019	Transfer 877	Simply Giving Campaign funds directed to Robotics	\$50.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
01/14/2019	Direct Deposit 2396490	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$25.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
02/05/2019	Direct Deposit 2478796	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$25.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
02/07/2019	Direct Deposit 2488702	Sir Wilfrid Laurier SS - Simply Giving Campaign		\$25.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
02/14/2019	Transfer 879	Simply Giving Campaign funds directed to School Play	\$25.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School School Council Agenda

Wednesday, March 27, 2019
6:45-9:00 School Library

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Adjournment: 9:00pm

Next Meeting: April 24, 2019

