



STUDENT TRUSTEE SENATE COMMITTEE

May 19, 2020
Microsoft Teams

MINUTES OF MEETING

Members Present:

Student Trustees: Keylee Smith, Welland Centennial Secondary School
Karina Tavernese, Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School
Ness Young, Laura Secord Secondary School

School Representatives:

Parsa Razeghi, A.N. Myer	Skye Reid, Laura Secord
Jessica Zheng, A. N. Myer	Nadia Jassem, St. Catharines Collegiate
Samantha Adams, Beamsville	Brooke MacIntosh-Duffin, St. Catharines Collegiate
Devon Fiander, DSBN Academy	Marshall Barker, Sir Winston Churchill
Camryn Furlong, E.L. Crossley	Sacha Schimmelpenninck Van Der Oye, Sir Winston Churchill
Priya Shourie, E.L. Crossley	Jacob O'Connor, Stamford
Anastasia Vakoulich, Eden	Olivia Sargeson, Stamford
Piper Jackman, Eastdale	Duaa Abbasi, Thorold
Krish Patel, Eastdale	Sydney Alexander, Thorold
Mackenzie Ziegler, Governor	Donghwui Kim, Welland Centennial
Simcoe Owen Theriault, Governor	Evvi Libby, Welland Centennial
Simcoe Ella Kucman, Greater Fort	Reyana Jayawardena, Westlane
Erie Emma Tracey, Grimsby	Salony Sharma, Westlane

Administrative Advisors:

Ms. Andrea Jagoe-Lynett, Student Achievement Leader, Student Success
Ms. Carla Piovesana, VP, Eden High School
Ms. Leanne Smith, Superintendent of Secondary Schools
Ms. Susan Santesso, Consultant, Student Success

Recording Secretary:

Mrs. Nichola Lee, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Trustees:

Nancy Beamer, Dave Schaubel

Regrets:

Aidyn Kasper, Eden
Nikola Minor, Grimsby
Sara Turvani, Laura Secord

Absent:

Samantha Pierce, Beamsville
Justice Wells, DSBN Academy
Grace-Anna Pielt, Greater Fort Erie
Emma Hric, Port Colborne
Matteo Panunte, Port Colborne

Guests:

Keelee Hollowell, A.N. Myer

Welcome:

The Senators and Student Trustee candidates were welcomed by Keylee, Karina and Ness on the MS Teams platform. The meeting continued with the reading of the Indigenous Land Acknowledgment.

The Director of Education, Warren Hoshizaki, was welcomed to the meeting and invited to address the Senators. He thanked the students for their work on the Committee throughout the year.

Approval of the Agenda:

Sir Winston Churchill motioned for the agenda to be approved. E.L. Crossley seconded the motion. **Motion carried**

Introduction of New Student Trustees

The Student Trustees invited Salony Sharma (Westlane) to introduce herself to the Senators. She thanked Keylee, Karina and Ness for their support as she transitions into the role of Student Trustee. The term begins in August.

Ness updated the Senators on the process of electing the new Indigenous Student Trustee. She introduced Keelee Hollowell (A.N. Myer) to the Senators. Keelee will begin her term in August.

Trustee Update

Trustees Nancy Beamer and Dave Schaubel were welcomed to the meeting. Trustee Schaubel congratulated both Keelee and Salony. He reported that due to schools being closed for the remainder of the school year the graduations will take place in the fall. The plans for summer learning are in place. He thanked teachers and staff for supporting students during the school closure.

Trustee Beamer reported that the DSBN has provided students with devices and access to internet to work from home and continue learning. DSBN Cares was set up and raised \$50,000 to provide food and support to DSBN families. She welcomed the new Student Trustees to the Board.

Overview of the Year

Indigenous Student Trustee - the official position was created, and an official election process was developed. The election process took place on May 12th and 13th.

EFN Locker Raffle – Senators were thanked for working on this project, which did not launch due to school closure. The Student Trustee Senate will continue to work with EFN next year.

Student Voice Forum – this two-year project has finished, and the results will be shared with the Director of Education who will provide direction to the Student Trustees on sharing this through the Strategic Planning process.

Question Period

Q1: When will there be graduations?

A1: Graduations will take place in the Fall and if quarantine measures are in place an alternate plan will be provided.

Q2: Will sports resume when schools open?

A2: The DSBN will follow Public Health recommendations.

A3: Will events like Excellence in Education be celebrated?

A3: The celebration dinner will not take place this year, but the bursaries have been increased to compensate.

Adjournment:

Keylee thanks the Senators for their work during the past year. She wished the best of luck to those graduating and encouraged them to use their experiences as leaders of today to pursue their plans and goals.

Meeting Adjournment:

Sir Winston Churchill motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Stamford seconded the motion.

Motion carried

The meeting ended at 2:40p.m.

Next Meeting:

Student Trustee Senate Retreat
Tuesday, September 22, 2020