



Matthew Halton High School Parent Council Meeting

January 18th 2024

ESTABLISHMENT MEETING – 2023-2024

Google Meet Link: meet.google.com/ycc-vibx-rvd

In Attendance: Bryan Burns (Principal), Lori Hodges (LRSD Board of Trustee Chair, Trustee Ward 3), Bonnie Whitford (AP), Crystal Barrios, Ian Robertson (Teacher Rep), Danielle Radvak, Aynsley Baker, Rashelle Leishman, Carey Tetzlaff

1. Call to order: 6:08 PM
- Introductions and Welcome

2. Additions to the agenda: None

3. Approval of the agenda: (Everyone is good with the agenda.)

4. Establishment Process

[a. Definition of School Council and School Advisory Council](#)

- i. Chair - Aynsley Baker (nominated by Rashelle Leishman)
- ii. Vice-Chair - Rashelle Leishman (nominated by Aynsley Baker)
- iii. Secretary - Bonnie Whitford (nominated by Aynsley Baker)

5. New Business

a. Joint Meeting with Canyon Parent Council

- Rashelle has spoken with Jessica Ames about the potential for this. Joint meetings could provide opportunity to review scheduling conflicts between the schools, plan joint family events to build school community, coordinate sports (coaching help from high school students for elementary sports programs, visits from grade 6 students, etc), pool resources, access parent support from those with students at both schools.
- Danielle, concerned about long meetings where there is too much content for one meeting. Suggestion from Rashelle is that these combined meetings happen maybe twice each year and the agenda is designated specifically to focus on matters that effect both schools.

- Lori shares possible format where the beginning of the meeting is together, but time for two groups to separate at the end to review items that do not pertain to both groups.
- Bryan has spoken with Jessica as well about how this could work. Potential for joint meeting on March 12th for the Regional School Council meeting.

6. LRSD Trustee Report - Lori Hodges

- [Key Messages](#)
 - Two new schools are being renovated/built in Nanton. A community group presented a request to increase the size of Learning Commons.
 - International Education Presentation - always looking for homestays for International students
 - Are students from LRSD able to participate in this program to go to other countries? Ian believes this program is one-way only.
 - Four day school week presentation

7. Matthew Halton [Principal's Report](#) – Bryan Burns

- See link
- Guest Speaker booked for April 25th - Sam Demma - sponsored by ReMax.

8. Matthew Halton Teacher Report - Ian Robertson

- SQUARE!!! Ran our first transaction through a new square machine so that students are able to pay with cards.
- Quebec Trip - 22 students in grades 8/9 attending. Students have been meeting monthly as a Travel Club to do some related learning prior to their trip.

8. Next Meeting Dates

- Monday, February 26: 5-6 PM Matthew Halton Learning Commons
- Tuesday, March 12: 6-8 PM Regional School Council Virtual Meeting
(Halton School Council will meet 30 minutes prior to the RSCM)
Matthew Halton Learning Commons
- Tuesday, April 30: 5-6 PM
- Wednesday, May 29: Regional School Council Meeting (Halton School Council will meet 30 minutes prior to the RSCM)

X. Adjournment - meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM

Record of Decisions:

- Matthew Halton and Canyon School Council will plan to have two joint meetings per year.