

School Council Agenda – March 4, 2025

1. Welcome, Introductions

- a. Present: Kelly Humphries (Chair), Jenn Goold (Teacher Rep), Christine White (Principal), Sarah-Marie Scale (student), Mark-Shane Scale (parent)

2. Student Report

- a. Things are going well. Settling into quarter term marks (come out March 5)
- b. A bunch of events: Black History event in the mall, Toonie Toss was in the gym, the School Climate survey in class for those who chose to participate, Games Club, staff versus student game (floor hockey) coming up on Friday, March 7 during period 4, auditions for the school play (to be determined what that play is). Lots of things happening for students

3. Teacher Report

From the Arts Department

The Arts Department is happy to announce "Arts Night" in the spring, Thursday, May 15th. The 3 Disciplines of Drama, Music, and Visual Arts will be showcasing students skills and interests. Thus far great auditions have taken place, and rehearsals for a short play will start after March Break.

From the Guidance Department

Scholarship Assembly March 4th during period 1 for graduating students.

All scholarship applications are due by: April 1st.

The presentation and all links can be found on our AVSS Guidance website - from menu choose - Graduating Student Information then click on Scholarships.

From the Special Education Department

Just finished up IEP's for this semester, with setting goals for DE classrooms. They are being printed off this week to be sent home for parent signatures.

Ongoing challenges with finding supply EA's throughout the board continues to be ongoing.

Special Olympics Bocce Ball Tournament today (March 4th). Students did a fantastic job, had lots of fun, and won all of their games.

From the Tech Department

Two students competed in Skills Competition for auto waiting to hear about their standing.

Students represented the school well and had a great experience demonstrating their skills.

SHSM trips, certifications happening ongoing.

From the Co-op Department

Busy semester so far with a large co-op class, challenges within the community with taking students, business is slow therefore they are hesitant to take on co-op students when they are struggling in the community.

4. Principal Report

- a. Safe and Inclusive School Plan- I will put out a call for a meeting after March Break.
- b. Parent-Teacher Night- Thursday, March 6, 5-7pm-any School Council representation? Attach School Council Info to map for the night.
- c. Centennial Celebration through the AVSS Alumni Committee has begun. We met Feb. 26th after school. The Centennial is planned for Sept. 25 and 26th (possibly the 27th) of 2026. They are excited to start. We will be meeting every so often to determine needs/wants of this plan going forward. Perhaps we can have someone come to School Council to present?
- d. Gym floor- we had a meeting on Feb 25 with school team and facilities to discuss what will be done to the floor. The cost covers stripping, sanding, and repairing “dead” areas. They will also assess the posthole supports for nets. We talked about the gym/line design. A simpler design was preferred. They let us know that this could commence as early as mid-June (after Commencement) and would be wrapped up by September. There is a concern about the bleaches and the viability of keeping them in during floor refinish versus taking them out. We would prefer keeping them in as they may not be able to be reinstalled properly after removal. The flooring company would prefer them being out.
- e. We are just starting our 2025-26 school year allocations and staffing. There is not a lot to say at this point, but the coming weeks will see firmer numbers in the school.
- f. School Council has \$370 in an account. Is there something that Council needs/wants? Do we bank this?

5. Annual Report

- a. Not really anything for Council to get involved in.
- b. Submitted survey on behalf of School Council- we want familiarity in an admin to know our school, our families, our community

6. Old Business

- a. New Facebook /Instagram accounts-feedback (we are now at +380 subscribers for FB and +35 for Instagram)

7. New Business

- a. Sarah-Marie Scaletto discuss gym access- Love the open gym at lunch. People may not be able to get to open gym for the 30 minutes. Is there an opportunity for more gym time? Is there an opportunity for working out before or after school? Mrs. White will ask if staff will do this.

- b. Sarah-Marie- talked Promotion for the Centennial- this would be great if the school's Comm Tech classes and students being able to create content

Next Meeting: April 1, 2025 at 6:00 pm in the library