

Merivale Meeting Minutes June 7, 2022

Attendance:

Tim Embury
Jasmine Albagli
Carolyn Berezowsky
Zhong An
Karen Kong
Harinder Batth
Mei Qiu
Suzy Wong
Wendy Liu
Janet Gibson
Laura Newton Miller
Isabelle Mercier
T-C D'Agostino
Cara Baas
Laura Storrie
Ryan Jaecques
Fiona Warren
Joanna Yi
Asha Ali
Jennifer Kirney
Jasmine Albagli
Carolyn Berezowsky
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Agenda Approval

First by Mei
Second Asha

Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

First Ryan
Second Laura Storrie

Student council Update

Megan Fox on behalf of Makenzie

- Spirit week will be June 20-24
- Student council election nominations will open tomorrow. Elections will be week of June 20
- Spring School clothing order was not able to happen

- The group has worked hard and although there are few events due to circumstances, there was a lot of planning done.

Intermediate Report

Bruce Levine

- (notes to be sent)

Q (Carolyn): Does everyone attend track and field event or just those interested.

A (Jean): Everyone attends

Q (T-C): How is the volleyball going? Will it continue?

A (Bruce): Still going Tuesdays and Thursdays and Ms. Hussen plans to continue for next few weeks

Secondary Report

Megan Fox

- (Notes to be sent)

Q (Tim): Graduation is 2 different times. How is that decided?

A (Megan): Students get to select which one they want to participate in. This is to maximize the number of guests who will attend.

Principal Update

- Thank you parent council for the recognition gesture of treats at the staff meetings. The staff wanted to share their appreciation.
- Guidance and healthy active living will have assemblies for gr. 11 and 12 from MAAD - want to make sure our grads celebrate responsibility and look out for one another at social events
- Final day for evaluations is 2 days before end of term (secondary) June 24. This will be used to capture evidence of student learning that haven't been captured (eg. because of power outage). Student have opportunities to catch up with after school program etc
- If you are considering summer school, last day to register is 28 June. Contact Ms. Hussen for Intermediate and Guidance Counselor for Secondary
- Renovations are happening over the summer - a number of washrooms are being renovated and added. More portables will be added.
- Change in VP: Mr Donato is moving to Woodruff
- We are adding a Autisme Spectrum class
- Message has been sent to all Intermediate families regarding Celebr8! event. Each student can invite two special guests. Great response so far!

Q: will the new washroom be inclusive

A (Jean): New code requires fully accessible washrooms and single use universal washrooms are available in every part of the school

Q (Tim): where will the portables go?

A (Jean): Facilities will determine where is best based on access to power and other factors

Q: How many portables?

A (Jean): 6

Q (Janet): Will gr 8 receive a diploma?

A (Jean): No - it's an awards ceremony. Diploma is in grade 12

Q (Carolyn): Should the grade 8 photos have arrived? I have not received them.

A (Jean): Edge imaging is handling distribution. Jean will have someone from the office follow up.

Q (Jasmine): Are incoming 9s and 8s choosing instruments and how and when

A (Jean): Honk and blow (instrument testing) will happen in September. Encourage parents to discuss with their child to ensure get the instrument the whole family can live with :)

Tim Update

- Lisa was nominated for a community award.
- (Add nomination message)

Motion:

Have council pay for expenses for staff appreciate treats \$127.05

Yay: Ryan, Joanna, Wendy, Laura, Asha

Motion passed

This is the last meeting of the year. More information will be coming early next school year on how meetings will happen and for new nominations

Treasurer update

Mei

- Receive \$500 grant
- Spend \$100 for gift card for the family involving the car accident
- Expense for library hasn't come through yet
- Was expecting the expense for teacher appreciation
- Megan confirmed library purchases were made. She still needs to submit the expense but the purchase did go through. Thank you very much.

OCASC Update

There wasn't an opportunity to attend. Meeting minutes can be found on their website

How to make a difference in the community

Saw many examples of community support during the power outage. Thank you

Q&A

No questions



Final thoughts

Many thanks to the administration for coming and preparing the reports, answering questions and always being respectful. Thank you to everyone who takes the time to join these meetings and participate in what happens at the school...

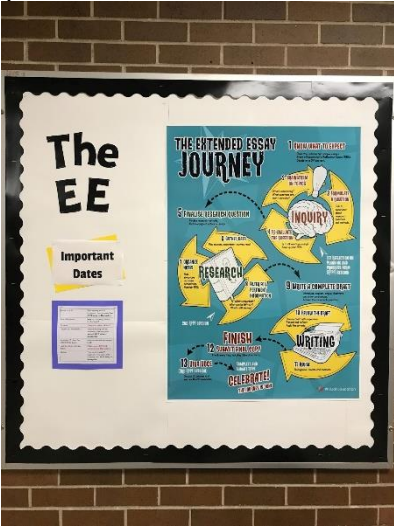
Note from Laura Storrie: This marks my last Merivale School Council meeting since Anderson is graduating and Madigan will be transferring schools in September. This is a great school and I cannot say enough about the teachers, staff and admin - their support, guidance and personal commitment to

our students and families are second to none. I hope the council can continue to find ways to engage, connect and support the school community. Thank you Tim and everyone! Best wishes to you all.

June 2022 MHS Secondary Educator's Sharings

SCIENCE	Specialized lab opportunities are being explored and investigative research projects
MATH	EQAO Testing for Gr 9 students - June 8 & 9th for Day 2 & 4 classes and June 16 & 17 for Day 1 & 3
STUDENT SUCCESS	Credit Rescue opportunities for students are occurring every Wednesday in the month of June in a collaborative initiative between teachers and SST team
LIBRARY	<p>Asian Heritage Month display</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>PRIDE Month - June Many amazing titles available through Sora SORA Quick Start Guide for Students</p> <p>Awesome Table 2SLGBTQ+ Books Available in OCDSB Sora</p>
ATHLETICS	<p>Girls Varsity Soccer finished off their regular season with 6 straight wins. They have the best record of all T1 teams and start playoffs on Thursday. Baseball team is ranked 1st in the West and will go straight to the Quarter Final</p> <p>Ultimate Tournament coming up on Friday</p> <p>Track & Field team had great success and a number of OFSAA athletes recorded personal best times at their competition</p>

	<p>Touch Football had a great season and has wonderful potential for years to come</p> <p>Merivale’s Athletic Award Celebration will take place on June 15th @ 2:45 (after school) in our school’s cafetorium. Invite is open to all student-athletes who played on a sports team or club this school year. Sign-ups will take place in the foyer June 8th-13th</p>
	<p>MHS Announcements (Responses)</p>
<p>Guidance</p>	<p>Summer school registration deadlines are fast approaching. Information on Student Services website.</p> <p>Graduates must indicate their commencement ceremony preference and complete the Cap and Gown form to ensure one is available in the correct size at ceremony</p> <p>Graduation Details Date: Wednesday 29 June 2022 Location: Algonquin College</p> <p>Graduates and parents/guardians are asked to review the details shared via email May 11. Messages were sent to students via their OCDSB email. Merivale HS will host two (2) ceremonies this year (11:30 am and 2:00 pm) — each ceremony will accommodate 125 graduates. Each participating graduate will receive two (2) tickets for guests.</p> <p>Graduates will need to confirm they have ordered a CAP & GOWN for the ceremony. If you have not already done so, please complete the CAP & GOWN ORDER FORM and pay through SchoolCash Online.</p>
<p>ART / TECH</p>	<p>Merivale SHSM students were featured at the OCDSB’s Innovation Celebration on Monday May 30th. Here is the website link featuring the amazing work our MERIVALE Design students have been doing while collaborating with DeSerres on a Sector Partner Experience. https://sites.google.com/ocdsb.ca/merivale-shsm/shsm</p> <p>Unfortunately the project was supposed to be completed at the end of May but the power outage put our plans on hold. However the project will resume next week. Design students will finish up their tote bag designs to give to the Toronto based, THORNCLIFFE WOMEN'S COMMITTEE to help raise money for their programs.</p> <p>Thursday June 17th - is the Annual Art Show</p> <p>This art show will be a little different this year. Only the gr.12 graduating art students will display their work in the foyer during June 17th, while the rest of the schools art students 9 - 12 in all art programs (Visual art, IB art, photography and graphic design) will be featured virtually. All students and parents will receive a link to the virtual art show on Thursday June 17th.</p>

<p>IB</p>	<p>Many IB students completed their first exams and students are also initiating</p>  <p>their Extended Essay</p>
<p>Extracurricular</p>	<p>Many clubs are underway interested students should check the Merivale Library classroom or Merivale Library website for additional information https://sites.google.com/ocdsb.ca/merivalelibrary/clubs</p> <p>Merivale Secondary Student Council 2022-23: Electronic elections for key Students' Council roles for the 2022-23 school year are coming up! Nominations are accepted from June 9th to Wed June 15th at 2:30 pm Merivale Student Council - nomination form</p> <p>Link activities for students Friday June 17th- Fun Friday (grades 9-12) In this modified First Friday event, the link group will be going class to class to spread some cheer and candy. Tuesday June 21st (June 22nd rain date)- Link Lunch (grade 9s only) Link Leaders will be organizing a lunch for their link groups. They will be meeting outside at a designated spot by group</p>