



**Minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the
School Council of
Waterford Valley High School**



2016 May 03 at 17:14
in the Learning Commons

Present:	Sarah Colborne-Penney	Community Representative, Chair
	Claudette Brokenshire	Parent Representative
	Siobhan Foley-Lambert	Parent Representative, Vice Chair
	Leanne Rossiter	Parent Representative
	Eric Barrett	Student Representative
	Emily Lockyer	Teacher Representative (for Jackie Hyde)
	Cheryl Tucker	Teacher Representative
	Glyn George	Community Representative, Secretary
	Janet Rumsey	Community Representative
	Bob Smith	Acting Executive Secretary (for Bridget Ricketts)
Absent:	Paula Dingle	Parent Representative
	Wendy Read	Parent Representative
	Alex Barnes	Student Representative
	Michelle Hounsell	Teacher Representative
	Jackie Hyde	Teacher Representative
	Rob Butt	Community Representative
	Bridget Ricketts	Principal, Executive Secretary

Note: The regular meeting of 2016 April was cancelled following a snow closure.

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 17:14.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved (George / Tucker) and **carried** to
adopt the agenda as circulated.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was moved (George / Tucker) and **carried** to
adopt the minutes of the meeting of 2016 March 01 as presented.



4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Naming Policy (Minute 4.4 from 2016 03 01)

The ad hoc committee has not met yet. This item was deferred to the next meeting.

4.2 Branding of the School (Minute 4.5 from 2016 03 01)

In the absence of the Principal, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

5. Reports

5.1 Report from the Student Representatives

Spirit Week was postponed to this week and is going very well.

5.2 Principal's Report

The following items were noted:

- The resiliency week (Minute 5.2 from 2016 03 01) was successful. The assembly was well attended and the event attracted favourable notice on NTV News.
- Several school sports teams have enjoyed recent successes, including three basketball teams.
- The School was mentioned in the local media in Greece, following donations to groups that are helping refugees there.
- The overall decrease in staff allocations is 0.75 teaching units.

6. New Business

6.1 NLFSC Request re Education Cuts

Several members reported on the likely effects of cutbacks in other schools. They noted that Liberal MHAs have replied with form letters to all questions posed to them in public media. There was agreement that multi-grading can work well when it is resourced and delivered properly. Some impact is likely at Waterford Valley High School, but will be less severe than at many other schools. A staff meeting will discuss the implications of the teacher allocations and the budget in the next few days. Members are concerned at the effects on many other schools. The Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of School Councils (NLFSC) is seeking input from all school councils.



6.1 NLFSC Request re Education Cuts (continued)

There was **general agreement** to
delegate to the Chair and the Principal a reply to the NLFSC on behalf of the School Council, regarding the effects of the budget.

6.2 Fine Arts Fundraiser

It was moved (Smith / Rumsey) and **carried** to
authorise a fundraiser for Fine Arts, consisting of a cake auction at the Spring concert on May 26, with a target of \$400.

6.3 Membership of the Council

The Secretary reminded the Council of the expiry of the terms of office of the student representatives and of the following members at the end of this academic year:

Parent representatives: Paula Dingle, Siobhan Foley-Lambert
Teacher representative: Jackie Hyde (represented by Emily Lockyer)
Community representative: Glyn George

7. Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 17:51.
The next meeting is at 17:00 (5 pm) on 2016 June 07 (Tuesday).
The Chair will advise later of the venue, after consulting with all members.

Dr. Glyn George, Secretary
