



Waterford Valley High School
Agenda for the School Council Meeting
on 2016 February 02 (Tuesday)
at 5:00 p.m. in the Learning Commons



- 1. Adoption of the Agenda**
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
 - 2.1 Previous meeting (2016 01 12, attached)
- 3. Business Arising**
 - 3.1 Membership of the Council (teacher rep terms, item 4.2 on 2016 01 12)
 - 3.2 Clean St. John's - garbage cans (item 4.4 on 2016 01 12)
 - 3.3 Student safety (Topsail Road crossing light timing, item 4.6 on 2016 01 12)
 - 3.4 Teacher-Staff Appreciation Week (item 6.2 on 2016 01 12)
 - 3.5 Academic Crest (item 6.3 on 2016 01 12)
- 4. Reports**
 - 4.1 Student representatives
 - 4.2 Principal
- 5. New Business**
 - 5.1 NLFSC – E-mail consultation request (attached)
- 6. Adjournment**



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



2016 January 12 at 17:10
in the Learning Commons

Present:	Sarah Colborne-Penney Claudette Brokenshire Siobhan Foley-Lambert Wendy Read Eric Barrett Michelle Hounsell Rob Butt Glyn George Janet Rumsey Bridget Ricketts	Community Representative, Chair Parent Representative Parent Representative, Vice Chair Parent Representative Student Representative Teacher Representative Community Representative Community Representative, Secretary Community Representative Principal, Executive Secretary
and:	Dereck Drodge Georgina Lannon Bob Smith	former Booth Memorial School Council Parent; Safe Grad Committee Teacher; Safe Grad Committee
Absent:	Paula Dingle Leanne Rossiter Alex Barnes Jackie Hyde Cheryl Tucker	Parent Representative Parent Representative Student Representative Teacher Representative Teacher Representative

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 17:10. Those present introduced themselves to the visitors.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

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



3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and E-Mail Poll

It was moved (George / Barrett) and **carried** to
adopt the minutes of the meeting of 2015 December 09 as presented.

It was moved (George / Butt) and **carried** to
adopt the minutes of the e-mail poll of 2016 January 05 as presented.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Paperless Meetings (Minute 4.1 from 2015 12 09)

The intent to move to paperless meetings remains, despite wi-fi connection problems at this meeting. A projector screen will be installed in the Learning Commons in the next few months.

4.2 Teacher Representatives (Minute 4.3 from 2015 12 09)

There are three teacher representatives, one with a two-year term but two with a three-year term. They have yet to decide among themselves which of them should serve the one-, two- and three-year terms. Only one teacher representative was present at this meeting. The teacher representatives will report their choice to the next meeting.

4.3 Online Fundraising Application Form (Minute 4.4 from 2015 12 09)

There was **general agreement** to *accept the fillable PDF form that Mr. Butt created.* He undertook to e-mail the file to the Principal.

4.4 Clean St. John's (Minute 4.7 from 2015 12 09)

There has been a delay in the placement of garbage cans in strategic locations near the intersection of Topsail Road and Hamlyn Road. Rob Butt offered to follow up with City staff to determine when the garbage cans will be put in place.

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes** (continued)**4.5 Prom and Safe Grad** (Minute 4.8 from 2015 12 09)

Bob Smith presented an overview of a budget for fundraising targets and activities and for expenses for the first safe grad of Waterford Valley High School. The Committee proposes five fundraising activities: a 50/50 draw, bake sales, recycling blitzes, grocery bagging and an event at Yuk Yuks, with a total target of \$20,000 to be raised. The funds are designated for the five areas of fundraising, activities, decorating, food and security. Costs are greater for overnight events. The budget is based on the experience of the predecessor schools, on increased costs and on the greater number of 300 students this year.

It was moved (Foley-Lambert / Rumsey) and **carried** to

approve the fundraising request of the Safe Grad Committee, including the five specified fundraising activities.

4.6 Student Safety – Topsail Road Pedestrian Crossing (Minute 6.3 from 2015 12 09)

Bob Smith verified that the cycle of the traffic lights at the Topsail Road / Hamlyn Road intersection has been adjusted. There is now an interval of five seconds when pedestrians can cross while all vehicles are stopped, followed by another three seconds before the pedestrian lights turn flashing red. Rob Butt undertook to seek a rationale from City staff for this choice of times.

4.7 Calendar Fundraiser (Minute 6.4 from 2015 11 03)

Janet Rumsey reported that the Calendar fundraiser is ongoing. It has been promoted, but sales so far have been disappointing.

5. Reports**5.1 Report from the Student Representative**

Student attention is focused on mid-year examinations. The social justice group plans to resume proposals for fundraising after the end of examinations.



5. Reports (continued)

5.2 Principal's Report

The Principal noted the good level of support that the School District is giving to Waterford Valley High School. The District did authorise an additional half-time administrator position, but has been unable to continue it after December.

Five interns from Memorial University are currently on staff. Some of them are potential teacher-sponsors for various student activities, such as the robotics club.

The next professional development day is on February 19.

The sports teams have started winning banners in various competitions and will be hosting a city-wide tournament.

Christmas celebrations (including the Warriors breakfast) went well and have helped to bring the two staffs together.

The examination schedule is out and the full events calendar is on the School's web site.

The contractors have nearly completed their work on the school building.

6. New Business

6.1 Student Use of Fitness Centre

The gymnasium and fitness centre are normally available to students during the latter half of lunch hours, except on day 6 in some weeks.

6.2 Teacher-Staff Appreciation Week

The Council received an e-mail from the Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of School Councils, containing suggestions for celebrating Teacher-Staff Appreciation Week, February 14-20. The Chair and Vice Chair agreed to organize events on behalf of the Council.



6. New Business (continued)

6.3 Academic Crest

Dereck Drodge, the last chair of the school council of the former Booth Memorial High School and co-chair of the former Bishops College – Booth Memorial Advisory Committee, provided an overview of the process that led to the naming of Waterford Valley High School, the school colours (red and black), the mascot and the logo. A student vote determined the mascot.

The major items remaining in the branding of the school are the academic crest and the mission and vision statements. Craig Tucker of M5 provided his services gratis for the branding of Booth Memorial High School and has renewed that offer to Waterford Valley High School. The professional development day on February 19 provides an opportunity for the staff to discuss the academic crest. The plan is to propose a final design to the School Council before the end of this school year. The Council thanked Mr. Drodge and Mr. Tucker for their continued volunteer work.

6.4 Fundraising – Film Club

It was moved (Hounsell / Barrett) and **carried** to

authorise the Film Club to conduct a fundraiser with Vesey Bulbs during March 1 – April 15, with a target of \$3,000 for various items as listed on its application.

6.5 Fundraising – Senior B Girls' Basketball Team

It was moved (Barrett / Rumsey) and **carried** to

authorise the Senior B Girls' Basketball Team to conduct a fundraiser during February 3-5, with a target of \$500 to \$800 for uniforms.

6.6 Fundraising – Senior A Girls' Basketball Team

It was moved (Barrett / Reid) and **carried** to

authorise the Senior A Girls' Basketball Team to conduct a fundraiser during February 22-29, with a target of \$2,000 for uniforms, registration fees, etc.



7. **Adjournment**

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 18:47.

The next meeting is at 17:00 (5 pm) on 2016 February 02 (Tuesday).

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glyn George".

Dr. Glyn George, Secretary



E-mail received 2016 January 21 from the President of the
Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of School Councils (NLFSC)

During a recent meeting with the Minister of Education, the Minister of Education requested that NLFSC participate on the Government Renewal Process as it relates to the delivery of education in the province. The government aims to:

- Identify a combination of measures to increase revenues and reduce expenditures;
- Eliminate waste and identify opportunities to do things better and more efficiently;
- Assess the role of government in providing public services

I am requesting that our School councils contribute ideas, suggestions and solutions that we can incorporate into our submission. Please feel free to e-mail us your education priorities.

Sincerely,

Peter Whittle, NLFSC President
