

Hillcrest High School Council
Meeting Minutes
Exceptional Meeting to Elect New Council Members
December 15, 2021
7:00-7:30 PM

Attendance:

Janet Mark Wallace (Chair), Geordie Walker (Principal), Ahmed Yasin (Student Senator), Carolyn Kropp, Kate Connolly, Andrew Wigston, Louise Doherty, Sean Doherty, Brian Raymond (Past Chair)

Recording of Meeting

Participants were advised that the meeting was being recorded. The recorded meeting is available for viewing by contacting the Principal, Geordie Walker.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledged that we are meeting on unceded and unsurrendered Algonquin territory.

Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Kate, seconded by Carolyn, to approve the agenda for the December 15th meeting. Carried.

Questions

Carolyn inquired as to whether there was a discretionary spending limit for the Hillcrest Executive of Council. Brian answered that he was not aware of a formal limit and that this would be a good question for the new Executive to discuss.

Carolyn also requested the up-to-date School Council Liability Insurance Certificate. Geordie had forwarded this document to Janet last week, and Janet promised to forward it to Carolyn.

Introductions

The ex-officio members of Council introduced themselves, and the candidates for Executive of Council introduced themselves as follows:

Candidate for Secretary:

Janet Mark Wallace is the parent of a Grade Nine student as well as a 2021 Hillcrest graduate and a 22-year old son. She joined Hillcrest Council in the fall of 2019, and joined the Executive in the fall of 2020. She served last school year as Co-Chair and minute-taker. She would like to continue this year in the role of Secretary and looks forward to supporting the rest of Council in this role throughout 2022.

Candidate for Treasurer:

Carolyn Kropp is the parent of four children, two of them Hillcrest graduates, one in Grade Ten and another child in Grade Seven at Vincent Massey. She has served in the Chair and Treasurer position at Pleasant Park Elementary. She is also a member of Mamawi Together,

Candidate for Co-Chair

Kate Connolly is the parent of Grade Nine student at Hillcrest and a Grade Seven student at Vincent Massey. She served for two years as Chair of Vincent Massey School Council.

Candidate for Co-Chair

Andrew Wigston is the parent of a Grade Nine student at Hillcrest and a Grade Seven student at Vincent Massey. He looks forward to getting involved at Hillcrest in the new year.

Moved by Louise Doherty, seconded by Sean Doherty, to approve the above slate of four candidates as the Executive of Hillcrest School Council for 2022.

Carried.

Question:

When will the new school principal, Janice Isaac-Rowan officially begin at Hillcrest?

Answer: Ms Isaac-Rowan starts February 1st. Until then she continues in her role as Vice-Principal of AY Jackson.

Question: Will Geordie extend the invitation for Ms Isaac-Rowan to attend the next full Council meeting on January 26th?

Answer: Yes he will.

The next Executive of Council agreed to try to meet in mid-January to try to strategize a bit before our first full meeting together on January 26th. Holiday greetings were extended all around.

Adjournment at 7:30