

## RHS School Council Minutes

Date & location; September 26, 2023 at Ridgemont High School library

### Attendance:

Nancy Dean	Jasmine
Rachelle Santic	Katie
Nicole Gibeau	Johnathan
Sophie (SC)	Anne
Yousif (SC)	Tanis Haggerty
Iman	Sally
Elhome	Melanie
Mike Furlong	Lindsay Barr
Antonio	Greg Wysynski
Elissa	

## Agenda Items

1. Welcome
2. Principal's Report (Rachelle Santic)
3. Teacher's Report (Laura Wheeler)
4. Student's Council
5. Chair's Report (Nancy Dean)
6. AGM
7. Comments / Concerns
8. Next Meeting (Tues, Oct. 10th - ON ZOOM)

## 1. Welcome & Minutes Approval

Call to Order at 7pm

## 2. Principal's Report (Rachelle Santic)

- Student treatment agreement in place in school - being kind, caring, accepting, and respectful to everyone.
- Staff are doing some anti-hate training to be better equipped to diffuse and manage challenging situations.
- Push-in support - teachers going into classes to pull out targeted students to help provide some additional support for them. Information will be provided to parents involved in the program.
- Multi-language support program to help bring support to students.

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- Homework club - Tuesdays and Thursdays @ 3:30-7:30pm (no cost).
- Streaming of different levels in the classrooms is no longer taking place. Students of all levels are now combined in the same classes.
- Renovations are underway. 4 year timeline.

### **3. Teachers Report Laura Wheeler**

- Weekly schedule and announcements are available on the RHS web page
- Students get all the weekly news sent directly to their inbox
- Notices about volunteer requirements or items needed by the school get sent to students and some (not all) gets posted on website.

### **4. Student Council**

- Organize student led events throughout the year, focused on what the student body are interested in participating in.
- Spirit week starts next week, and another spirit week over Halloween, valentine dance, etc.
- There are representatives for each grade in the council.

### **5. Chair's Report (Nancy Dean)**

- School council is here as a parent voice, an opportunity to be informed and ask questions, and a mechanism for parents to be able to support the school and students in all school related activities and learning.
- Role of fundraising is less than in elementary school, but still exists.
- Looking to have participation from each grade level and from different cultural backgrounds.
- School council is interested in putting on some events and looking for parents to lead or participate in.
  - Multicultural event (could be a fundraiser or just a community building event)
  - Parent reaching out grant - funded by ministry to put together an event in support of mental health
  - Putting together a grade 12 parents support group, which will also support the grade 12 leaving ceremony.
- Council chair is part of a board wide parent community (OCASC), and will work with other school council groups and bringing information to the school council.
- All fundraising ideas are welcome!
- AGM for the year was held at this meeting
- 12 people have been appointed to school council (100% of nominations).
- 7 members will be required for quorum at future meetings.

### **6. Elections - New members**

- New council members elections were held, with self-nominations accepted.

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- The following people were acclaimed as Ridgemont School Council voting members as Ridgmont can have up to 15 voting members:
  - Ann Wootton (gr 12)
  - Elham Seddigh Ayafor
  - Mike Furlong (Gr. 12)
  - Jonathan Wootton (Gr. 12)
  - Nancy Dean (Gr. 12)
  - Katie Lee
  - Jasmine Northcott
  - Lindsey Barr
  - Sally Fereday
  - Melanie Bolster
  - Nicole Gibeau
  - Li Mariel Toribio

### 7. Next Meeting - Oct 10th ON ZOOM

Oct.10, 2023 (Virtual)

- All parents and council members are welcome to send agenda items to Nancy