

## **William Aberhart School Council Meeting Minutes**

Monday February 29<sup>th</sup> 2016

1. Meeting called to order 19.04 hrs by Susan B.
2. Approval of the Agenda motioned by Ron R. and seconded by Michelle M.
3. Approval of January 25, 2016 meeting minutes updated by Tamie was motioned by Ron R. and seconded by Michelle M.
4. Course Selection for 2016 – 17 Presentation by Marne White-Guidance Counselor.
  - PowerPoint and next year registration PowerPoint was emailed to parents as attachments March 4.
  - [www.carreercruising.com](http://www.carreercruising.com)
  - Physical Education 20/30, J Block , 5 credits available where classes are held two mornings before regular classes and Friday afternoon.
5. Administration Update by Tamie Annis-Johnson
  - One Aberhart student was in the COP bob sleigh accident and is recovering.
  - 87% of Aberhart graduating students last year were eligible to receive the Alexander Rutherford scholarship - \$2500 each. Students must achieve average of 75% or higher in each high school year grade 10 to 12.
  - Orange Time feedback – students requested more French and Spanish resources for the learning commons as well as more quiet space areas in other parts of the school.
  - Credit recovery system for failed courses: every student who failed a course in first semester has been provided with a personalized credit recovery plan; students are only required to repeat those outcomes which they have not yet met, not the entire course. Carolyn Tremblay (Humanities) and Brian Clark (Math/Science) will lead the organization of this work.
  - Music Festival week is coming.
  - Teachers have identified students who may not have a mentoring relationship with an adult in the school. Staff will take intentional steps to get to know and support these students. We are revisiting the need for some type of “Teacher Advisory” program.
6. Tim Power, Athletic Director, provided a prioritized list of needs which include:
  - Help with the extra cost during team competitions (lodging and travel) for tournaments, and provincial final and compensation for bus driver.
  - getting and placing banners of city championships.
  - Replacing basketball carts
  - Replacing basketballs, uniforms

- Goal Keeper leg guards and nets for Field Hockey.
- Team photos and action photos approx. \$325/team

Susan B. identified \$2500 available immediately from "Friends of Orange".

7. Key Communicator : Ron R

6500 parents gave feedback to CBE.

4 budget seminars; one at Robert Thirsk High School March 9.

Excellence in Teaching Award deadline is March 4 and we need recommended candidates.

8. Adjournment 20:20 hrs , motion by Ron R.

Next meeting Tuesday March 29, 2016.

Trina Hurdman to attend.