

# MINUTES

## Banting School Council

*Date | time* June 25, 2019 | 7:00 pm | *Meeting called to order by* Silvie MacLean

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### In Attendance

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Amani Radhaa	Kim Snelgrove
Dev Sainani	Mike Hanson
Eric Neibert	Richard Tamminga
Jill-Anne Mabey	Silvie MacLean
Joan Cooper	

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### Welcome and Introductions

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Silvie welcomed all attendees.

As Joan Cooper is leaving for Retirement, Richard Tamminga was introduced as her replacement, and Eric will continue to be the Teacher Representative.

Richard Tamminga has years of school experience, both on the teaching and administrative side. Most recently, Richard served as Acting Principal at HB Beal Secondary School in downtown London and Vice Principal at Saunders Secondary School.

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### Declaration of Conflict of Interest

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There were no declarations of conflict of interest from any School Council members.

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### Approval of prior meeting minutes and Current Agenda

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Both Approved

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### Student Council and Principal Update

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- Eric and Joan provided the updates
- Eco Assembly and Clean-up date at the School, was well attended. Joan provided update that Banting won the Eco Award for 2019
- 2019 Wildcard was a great success
- Mental Wellness week was well attended
- Spring Concert was good
- Great feed back on the Band trip to New York
- D-Day trip sent 56 students combined with Parkwood visits with vets, where the students worked with the vets made poppies to lay at the soldiers graves at the D-Day memorial and another visit to share the trip pictures with the vets
- Student Council and Valedictorian selections made
- Annual Grad Breakfast and Athletic Banquet were successful
- Commencement ceremony

- One Run was done in combination with the Backyard Bash where there were games, food, teacher bands, Pie In Face fundraising
- Banting Reunion was a great success
- New Library setup is beautiful, bright and clean with moveable furniture allowing students to create their own space
- Transition between Joan and Richard is going well. Richard is looking forward to working with the Banting School Council next year

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## Community Partners Update

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- Amani provided update
- Robotics Program this summer July 2-July 4 (Special thanks to Neil for providing the lead!)
- Roving Summer Program starts July 8 and goes to August 15, and needs volunteers
- Sponsorship to Canada's Wonderland provides park admission to kids that normally wouldn't have a chance to go
- The updated Community Directory is complete, and Amani provided copies to the school for distribution

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## Other Business

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- The Superintendent for our area starting in August is Karen Wilkinson
- Richard notes that he sits on TVPIC, so can provide updates to School Council
- Ontario Education cuts did not affect London School Board course plans, but there may be changes next year
- Enrollment currently at 1475 and will likely be 1501 in September, increase likelihood that we will be unable to take out of area grade nine students next year
- Silvie confirmed all Google Docs are removed from the site and transferred to the Banting Site. School council emails are now going to the Sir Fredrick Banting School Council email.

### **Mental Health and Service Support Event planning:**

- Joan advised that the Parent Teacher night is scheduled for October 17
- Council agreed that we would schedule the event starting 5 pm to 8:30
- Discussed providing a prize for completed passports, a Tim Hortons or Grocery gift card
- Discussed providing coffee and snacks
- Silvie agreed to coordinate Financial Literacy representation at the event
- Query raised as to whether we should bring in a translator
- Richard agreed to coordinate someone to provide assistance to parents around the parent portal access and School Cash questions
- Agreed to send out a "Save the Date" message for the next newsletter (Silvie to work with Richard)
- There is \$500 which can be used towards Parent Engagement
- Title for the event BRONCO FAMILY ROUND-UP! (preliminary title until full meeting in Fall)

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## Action Items

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- Silvie to send the Going Bananas Information Fair documents to Richard to provide context
- Banting School Council members to share any ideas regarding the event title or organization of the event to Silvie (remember to build on passport idea shared by Amani-see email sent by Silvie - May 14)
- If anyone knows someone looking for volunteering hours contact Amani to assist the Summer program

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Next Meetings – 6:30 pm, in the Library (located on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

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September 11

October 9

November 13

December 11