

Thom Collegiate  
School Community Council  
November 21, 2023

**In attendance:**

Bill DeRosier - Principal  
Charlotte Caleval - Chair  
Mary Barrow – Secretary  
Amy Saworski – Member at Large  
Kevin Clark – Member at Large  
Anneka McLaren-SRC President and ACT Representative  
Keely Skyponyk – Vice Principal  
Jen Clark – Vice President  
Brett Kannenberg – Learning Leader  
Scott Gardiner – Learning Leader  
Jeanne Scarfe-Learning Leader

**1.0 Call meeting to order by Charlotte Caleval at 6:01**

**2.0 Approval of minutes** of Oct 17, 2023 as read by Mary Barrow – Mary moved that minutes be approved as read/distributed, Charlotte Caleval – all in favour.

**3.0 SRC and ACT Report**

By Annika McLaren

Halloween Haunted House was well received as were costume contest and pumpkin carving.

Daily announcements are being done by members at large from SRC about upcoming events (to student body).

Now have an Executive SRC (elected this week) and members at large who support with large events.

Dec 14 – Winter Formal Dance

December – hot chocolate and candy cane sales will happen

Feeder schools have been reached out to around Beat Cancer campaign

**ACT** (anti-racism cross cultural team) – collecting warm clothing for those in need and beading and drumming groups (Mr. Blondeau) along with ACT are making holiday hampers

**Senior Clothing** – much product was ordered and order has been placed – in production and should arrive in a couple of weeks.

**4.0 - Old Business – Funding requests** – discussed as a part of admin report

**5.0 Administrative Report** - see appended report in addition to notes below

**Finances** - \$607 in donation account; \$2007 from RBE

Suggestion that SCC talk to SRC about school wide activities that will be happening and look at funding some of those

School Health fair is again being looked at for this year – will be an update next meeting

MADD is coming into the school for a presentation

Often a presenting group for the student body may cost \$1000

Guardian meeting for organizing parent led prom will be happening this evening at 7:00 in the auditorium

**Graduation Rate** - Last school year 79.1 percent graduation rate – cohort data and in-house data can vary

Over past three years: 5.2 increase to 71.3 (with an extended rate 77.6 percent)

(See appended report for additional info)

**Action for all SCC members-** Continue to encourage people to complete the caregiver survey (Distribution through TnT and newsletters will also happen; posts in Edsby River.)

**6.0 New Business – none**

**7.0 - Next meeting** - January 16, 2024 - 6:00, conference room

Meetings will happen 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of October (completed), November (November 21) (completed), January (January 16), March (March 19), May (May 21)

**8.0 - Adjournment** at 6:41

**Actions in follow up to Tonight's Meeting:**

**Mary** will tidy minutes (complete) and share with Charlotte and Bill – done on Nov 21; when learning leader name is added by Bill and last name of SRC rep, Mary will distribute these minutes, along with last meeting to the group

**Action for all** - Continue to invite parents/caregivers to these meetings.

**Action** - Continue to encourage people to complete the caregiver survey

Old Business for Next Meeting – School Health Fair (Mary to include in agenda)

**January 16 meeting was deferred to Jan 30 then cancelled;** correspondence happened by email:

**Motion:** Jen Clarke motions that SCC pay for a meal up to \$600 from the donation account for Thom school staff in recognition of appreciation week with the date to be decided by the school administration. Mary Barrow seconds. All were in favour. Amended to \$700 given staff size during March 19 meeting.