

**Port Colborne High School Council Meeting Minutes,  
October 28, 2014  
School Library  
6:30 pm**

**Present:** Mrs. Kennerly, Mr. Zuccarello, Mr. Walker, Mr. Balough, Mary Anne Feagan, Cheryl James, Marlene Scott, Christine, Krista, Jack, Tammy, Carol, Shirley, Brad, Kim, Tracey, Dawn

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

**2. Mr. Walker's Presentation**

-Starting January 2015 – Grade 9 students will no longer be submitting community hours using paper forms. Students will now be able to login to DSBN learning (D2L) and access “Hour Republic” which will enable students to record their volunteer hours electronically. Students will need the following information to register: a personal email address and an email address for a parent. Once registered, students will need the email address of the volunteer supervisor who will be asked to verify the completed hours electronically. This new procedure will begin in Jan 2105 with the grade 9 students in hopes of getting all the other grades onboard in the near future.

**3. School Council Positions**

Mary Anne Feagan – Chair  
Cheryl James – Secretary  
Marlene Scott - Parent Representative

**4. Student Council Report**

Jack Feagan was present to give this report  
-Octoberfest – activities planned for last week of October during the lunch hour from Dance Competitions to Scavenger Hunts and many more.  
-Haunted House – Thursday - starts at 7:00  
-Semi Formal – Dec 4<sup>th</sup> at Italian Hall (DJ - Mr. Culliford)  
-Coffee House – still working out the details – maybe invite feeder schools ?

**5. Principal's Report**

-Sept/Oct – Approx., 30 students attended the University Fair in Toronto and approx. 50 students attended the College Fair in Niagara  
-Nov 5<sup>th</sup> – Take your Grade 9 to work day  
-Nov 14<sup>th</sup> – PA Day – no school  
-Nov 17<sup>th</sup> – Mid Term Reports are mailed out  
-Nov 18<sup>th</sup> - Grade 8 day. Many activities planned.  
-Nov 20<sup>th</sup> – Grade 8 Open House 5:30l- Early Reg. Discount will be offered  
Grade 8's will be picking courses for Grd. 9 in November  
Vs. all other grades – End of February

- Electronic Communication – PCHS is on Twitter. PCHS also has it's own APP.! You can find out everything from “what’s for lunch this week” to scheduled times for your students extracurricular activities . Be sure to check it out !
- Grad Photo’s – (not sure of date yet)
- Dec 6<sup>th</sup> – Port Colborne Christmas Parade. PCHS will have a float. There will be Tim Bits and Hot Chocolate for students. Mr. Walker is working on getting scarves ordered in time for this event.
- Reading for Meaning – This is the year long focus of principals and teachers
- Building Relationships – City Run Event – Roselawn & PCHS Art Students will be part of Arts Week Aug 15-19/15
- Court Yard – Dirt and stone have now been put in. Still working on ideas to beautify and Ideas for uses ie. Movie Night....
- Nov 21<sup>st</sup> – Grad 11 & 12’s will see a presentation on Impaired driving.
- Learning Project – Numeracy is Mr. Zuccarello’s focus this year.  
Literacy is Ms. Kennerly’s focus this year.
- Ms. Yee/Mrs. Gagnon/Mr. Stickney – focus on risk learners in Math– what strategies can help to better their learning experience
- Impact Program – St Catharines Collegiate - 8 sessions – students get their 40 hours Of community service. Free transportation is offered from PCHS.
- EQAO – Applied students scored 22% above board average

## **6. New Business/Questions Answered**

- Homework Help – is always available. Have your student check with his teacher or speak to Mr. Walker at any time.
- 12B – always available for grade 12 students who would like to return. Some need extra credits or want to better their marks.
- Lions Food Drive – Saturday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> – volunteers always needed
- Joint Parent Council Meeting – Plan for February – Ideas welcome

## **7. Next Meeting & Adjournment**

November 25th – 6:30 PCHS Library  
Adjournment – 7:40