



Student Senate Meeting

April 25, 2024

10:00 AM

Brantford Collegiate Institute and Vocational School

AGENDA

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| A - 1 | Arrival and Check In | 10:00 a.m. |
| B - 1 | Opening – Library/Learning Commons
(a) Opening and Welcome
(b) Land Acknowledgement
(c) Approval of minutes from the February 15 th meeting | 10:10 a.m.
L. Munro
K. Gayowsky
A.Skye |
| C - 1 | New Business
UISC | |
| D - 1 | Working Groups
Aleena – Environmental
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Maggie – Mental Health and Well-Being
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Keira – Student Voice
• | 10:30 a.m. |
| E - 1 | Round Table Discussion | 11:15 a.m. |
| F - 1 | Lunch – Cafeteria | 11:30 a.m. |
| G - 1 | Keynote Speaker – Jeff Martin - Auditorium
Intro –
Thank you – | 12:15 p.m. |
| H - 1 | Departure of Students back to Secondary Schools | 1:30 p.m. |

Learn

Lead

Inspire



Student Senate Meeting & Trustee Elections

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10:10 a.m.

Hagersville Secondary School

MINUTES

Present: Brantford Collegiate Institute and Vocational School, Cayuga Secondary School, Delhi District Secondary School, Dunnville Secondary School, Hagersville Secondary School, McKinnon Park, North Park Collegiate, Paris District High School, Pauline Johnson Collegiate and Vocational School, Simcoe Composite School, Tollgate Technological Skills Centre, Valley Heights Secondary School, Waterford District High School

Student Trustees: Maggie Baker (Representing South)
Keira Gayowsky (Representing North)
Aleena Skye (Representing Indigenous)

Administration: Superintendent Lisa Munro, Executive Assistant: Kerri Harrison

Recorder: Kerri Harrison

A - 1 Opening/Welcome

- (a) **Grand Erie Land Acknowledgement** – Student Trustee Baker
- (b) **Opening Address** – Jacob Hill
- (c) **Welcome** – Superintendent Munro opened the meeting and welcomed Senators and Candidates

B - 1 Approval of the Minutes – November 23, 2023

Moved by: I. Halsey

Seconded by: C. Shields

THAT the minutes of the Student Senate meeting, dated November 23, 2023, be approved.

Carried

C - 1 Elections and UISC Consensus Building

Student Senators and Candidates broke into North/South for candidate questions and voting and UISC for candidate questions and consensus building

D - 1 Working Groups

Student Senators broke into working groups to discuss Mental Health, Student Voice, and Environment.

E - 1 Round Table Discussion

Student Senators summarized the working group discussion:

Mental Health and Well-Being Working Group:

Initiative Updates:

- Cafeteria prices survey – over 10% feedback from all secondary students. Went over the survey results and next steps
- Trustee Baker met with Superintendent Ashe and they will be working together
- Discussed the following:
 - Student panel to understand students' lived experiences regarding mental health
 - How to reach students who are not comfortable reaching out



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- o Mental health surveys
- o Targeting a range of students to deliver mental health supports
- o IEP information sessions for students and teachers to raise awareness
- o "Talking locker" where students can anonymously submit concerns

Student Voice Working Group:

Initiatives Update:

- School Cash Online – fees have been dropped from 4% to 2%. Cash is always accepted, although debit & credit is preferred
- Asking for feedback on You Belong Here nights and looking at ways we can use social media to help the transitions from grade 8 to grade 9
- Asking senators to provide more detail about washroom concerns and updates on menstrual products within their schools
- Looking at ways to support updated furniture and resources
- Asking about course availability for in person or online courses
- Social media outreach, with posts regarding multiculturalism

Environmental Working Group:

Initiatives Update:

- Water bottles being removed from schools – working with Purchasing
- Signage on garbage cans and composting – signs will be delivered to schools
- Looking into resources re: recycling

F – 1 **Announcement of 2024-25 Student Trustees**

North – Caitlyn Shields

South – Olivia Prince

UISC – Aidyn Lyle Hill

G – 1 **Closing Address** – Suzie Miller

Future dates:

- April 25, 2023
- May 30, 2023

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.