

Byrne Creek Community Council - Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2023

33 people in attendance via ZOOM.

Call to order – 7:05pm

Introductions: Effie Aadland (Principal), Steve Shorthouse (student Services and PE)

Approval of Meeting agenda and November 2022 minutes. Motion – SN, Second – MG

Student Representatives – none present

Guest Speaker – Steve Shorthouse. Presenting about Career programs, Work Experience, Industry Training Programs, CLC Requirements

CLC Program

- Graduation requirement for grade 11 and 12 students.
- 4 credits
- Provides career life development and community connections
- Includes a Capstone Presentation done in grade 12. Presentation of a project that the students have been working on that year. Capstone Project is also a graduation requirement.
- CLC is not a class that is taken during the timetable. Teachers communicate projects and assignments with students via teams and students must complete to receive credit for the class. Students do receive marks for this class.

Work Experience

- Students also need to complete 30 hours of volunteer or work experience.
- 80 hour work experience program is more focused on one area and provides an extra 4 credits for grade 12.

Youth Train in Trades Program

- Hosted at different high schools across district
- Recent career industry night held at Burnaby Central with over 600 people in attendance.
- Byrne Creek has the Construction Electrician and Media Graphic Arts programs.
- Students can attend programs at other school. Trades programs Usually scheduled in afternoons and students' complete academic courses at the home school in the mornings.
- Need to apply for the Trades programs

Questions about Capstone Project

- Is this a pass, fail situation? Yes, students will pass or fail. Students given every chance to pass. Teachers need to see that student have made an effort to complete their project. For the presentation, students need to show up, dress professionally and be prepared.
- Are there other projects or assignments for CLC? Yes. How to access the transcripts, resume assignments and updating with progress on their Capstone project.

- Can you give us examples of past projects? Students have created cookbooks, built a motorized bike, built a dog house, written a song. For the Capstone project, they document their project.
- Does Industry training programs have to be taken in grade 12 or can they be taken the year after? Some programs can be taken the year after graduation. Depending on program. Contact Student Services.

Community School Coordinator – No in attendance due to coaching basketball games

Teacher Representatives – No teacher representatives in attendance

Principal's Report – Effie Aadland

- Very busy month in December. Music concert, theatre performance
- Hamper Drive was very successful. Raised more money than expected.
- Dance classes performing at Michael J Fox Theatre this month. Tickets available for performances. Elementary schools will be invited to daytime performances.
- End of semester coming soon.
- January 23-26 alternate schedule. Allows for students to meet teachers and make up missed work. Also different classes and workshops offered for students.
- Grade 10/12 Numeracy and Literacy assessments.
- Friday, January 27th Semester Turn Around Day. No school (Capstone presentation for Grade 12as in AM)
- January 26th Comicon Event in Library . Workshops, activities, games, art swap sale, costumes. Hosted by librarian Lisa Parsonson.
- Evening of January 26th is Open House for Future Grade 8s and current students to meet teachers and learn about programs available at Byrne. Parents encouraged to attend.
- February 6th report cards will be published on My Ed

Treasurer Report – Sam Nelson

- No activity in the gaming account or general account
- Spreadsheet was forwarded to parents with the approved list of items parents voted on and approved. These items will be purchased for school with funds from the gaming grant.

Chair's Report – Sam Nelson

- Read the student bulletin weekly for important school updates. Valuable tool that helps parents stay informed. Found on school website.
- The school has been forwarded the list of approved gaming grant items so that teachers can begin spending their money. This list was presented to parents at the November Community Council meeting and voted on. The list of approved Gaming Grant items was attached to the agenda for the January meeting.
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