

**DATE:** Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup> 2023

**START TIME:** 6:00pm

**END TIME:** 6:52pm

**CHAIR:** Amanda Coutts

**VICE-CHAIR:** Alicia Ali

**SECRETARY:** Silvia Watt

**TREASURER:** Bianca Zadel

## **HDPSCC**

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Amanda Coutts, Alicia Ali, Silvia Watt, Bianca Zadel, Anthony Rayfield, Jenni Jackson, Erin Goodyear, Linda Lambrechts, Kyla Lambrechts, Dan Bannerman, Jessie Ironside, Cathy Griffin, Sarah Artindale, Thomas Watt, Nash Ali, Kelly Merrifield, Andrew Noble, Junior Bagal, Beverone Bagal, Ronetta Billy, Jermaine Peddie, Cherise Lewis, Rasheen Oliver, Stephanie Ali, Amanda Yamine, Marie Hoy-Kenny, Tanya DeWit, Luisa Ciliberto, Lindsie O'Grady, Baylee McMahon, Christina Rittwage, Jennifer Kennedy, Monica Singh-Soares, Bella-Sitara Soares, Kathryn Wolsztyniak, Nicole O'Brien

### **REGRETS:**

Michelle Frankland, Nicole Zezelic

### **LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Chase Coutts opens - 6:05pm

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### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Proposed by Amanda Coutts - Approved by Anthony Rayfield, Silvia Watt

### **CHAIR INTRO:**

Amanda Coutts opens - 6:11pm

Warm welcome to the new Principal and Vice Principal of Dundalk & Proton, Cathy Griffin and Jessie Ironside

Welcome back to staff and members

Amanda Coutts addresses proper protocol for volunteers - Vulnerable Sector Checks (VSC)

All volunteers within the school **must** provide a VSC in order to participate in field trips/

Breakfast Club/supervision within the school

Jenni Jackson speaks on application forms distributed by Dundalk & Proton to be updated - all VSC forms must be dated as per OPP requirements

Amanda discusses the importance of the sign in sheet before entering and upon leaving the schools

Amanda addresses appropriate behaviour when in a school setting - using appropriate language, etiquette, etc..

Amanda proposes a Notice of Motion to amend within our constitution to add "must have Vulnerable Sector Check in order to be an elected executive"

Amanda speaks on behalf of the SCC - we offer our support to both schools wherever and whenever they should need it

**ELECTIONS OPEN - 6:35pm:**

Election Committee Representatives Christina Rittwage & Jennifer Kennedy address attendees

- Introduces current SCC Executives
  - Amanda Coutts - Chair
  - Alicia Ali - Vice Chair
  - Silvia Watt - Secretary
  - Bianca Simonelli-Zadel - Treasurer
- Christina Rittwage announces the nominations for each position as they were submitted
  - Bianca Zadel for Treasurer - Self Nominated
  - Amanda Coutts for Chair - Self Nominated
  - Silvia Watt for Secretary - Self Nominated
  - Erin Goodyear for Vice Chair - Self Nominated
  - Alicia Ali for Vice Chair - Self Nominated
- Amanda announces that all ballots will be shredded after elections take place
- Since there were no challengers for the roles of Chair, Secretary or Treasurer, these positions will continue to be held by the existing executive members of council
- Amanda Coutts expresses gratitude for serving as Chair for another term
- Silvia Watt communicates appreciation for serving as Secretary for another term
- Bianca Zadel shares her sincere thanks for serving as Treasurer for another term
- Current Vice Chair Alicia Ali delivers nomination speech
- Contending candidate for Vice Chair, Erin Goodyear delivers nomination speech
- Vote casting
- Votes are tallied by Christina Rittwage, Jennifer Kennedy and Kelly Merrifield
- Jennifer Kennedy names Alicia Ali for Vice Chair

**Congratulations to our re-elected Vice Chair Alicia Ali!**  
**Congratulations Erin Goodyear on running a strong campaign!**

**CLOSING STATEMENT:**

Amanda expresses gratitude to all individuals in attendance and asks them to please continue to join us for meetings, stating that if we are not aware of your concerns we cannot help change them. Also noting that we value your opinions in decision making as well.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST**

**6:30PM**

**DUNDALK & PROTON GYMNASIUM**

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Amanda closes meeting - 6:52PM

## **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We acknowledge with respect, the history, spirituality, and culture of the Anishinaabek, Six Nations of the Grand River, Haudenosaunee, and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples on whose traditional territories we gather and whose ancestors signed Treaties with our ancestors. We recognize also, the Metis and Inuit whose ancestors shared this land and these waters.

I also stand before you humbly and express that we are here with positive intentions for all of the children, families and staff that attend in the schools that we are here to represent and acknowledge that our work together will continue to honour our mother earth and the great spirit. It is our duty to educate, facilitate and continue to advocate on behalf of the voiceless.

May we all, as Treaty People, live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with all its diverse peoples.