

Agincourt Collegiate Institute School Council ("ACISC")

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday November 30, 2016

Library: 7-9pm

1. Welcome and Introductions (Meeting Chairperson)

- Allan start the meeting

2. School Student Council Report (5 min)

Presenter - TBD

- Presenter unable to attend

3. Principal's Report (15 min)

- Roofing Project: completed gym, history office, auditorium area; Summer: plan to complete cafeteria, Spec. Ed., Main Office area
- Events completed: Commencement & Award ceremony, Music Retreat, Girls Field Hockey Regional Champions and Silver medalist, Girls Junior Regional Champions, Senior Boys Volleyball regional silver medal, Boys golf Bronze medalist
- Grade 8 Parent Information session completed - ACI have limited spots for upcoming Grade 9 students whose address is outside of ACI district - TDSB want 90% capacity
- ACI Music Concert: December 11, 2016 - 6pm
- 2014-16 Grade 9 Applied Math EQAO result were 89%, Grade 9 Literacy were 91%, 2014-15 Fraser Institute ranked ACI #42 of 676 eligible high school
- After school Math Preparation available for students on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday
- Lunch and Learn available for Grade 9 students: Mr. Lee (Math), Sharon (English)
- Math cafe available as EQAO exam prep
- Saturday morning Literacy available for students - integrates with core subjects
- Position of Responsibilities (POR) went from 11 points to 10 points
- POR committee Chair, structure, review framework and Leadership for the future
- 2 CL: Guidance and Spec. Ed. area
- 8 CL: subject base, transitions and pathways, Art & Technology
- Wellness Initiatives: student nurses from York University, feeder leaders, concentrate on meditation and mindfulness - goal is to decrease student stress
- Remembrance Day - video tribute to the 5 WWII Veterans who are ACI Alumni, plan Legacy for 2017

4. Council and Parent Guests are invited to participate in one or both program streams below

(A) Program - University/College/Application Process (90 min)

Guest presenters discussing

- **University stream** - University of Toronto (UofT), Jenny, Admissions and Recruitment
 - 21 Universities in Ontario
- 1) Why choose University?
 - Place of institution - safe space to learn
 - Exploration and discussion through knowledge and research
 - Higher level education and research

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- Surrounded by thinkers, learners from all over the world
 - Career benefits: upward mobility, 92% of graduates find work within 6 months, University allows students to develop interpersonal skills (clubs, volunteer opportunities), develop transferable skills, decision making, critical thinking, and work study and experience from working in campus
- 2) Application Process:
- Academic program choices - UofT page 36 from View books
 - Which University to choose - depends on: reputation / rankings, Faculty research, innovations, teaching awards, campus environment, scholarship and financial aid
 - Admissions: Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), minimum of six Grade 12 University (U) / Mixed (M) level credits, ENG4U credit, and Program specific prerequisites (typically "U" level)
 - Acceptance includes: high school average, proficiency in prerequisite subjects, proof of English - TOEFL, non-academic info used: auditions, portfolios, etc.
 - Full disclosure: Grade 11 and 12 required courses - Grade 11 marks might be used for early offers
 - Parents could ask University how they calculate average
 - Admissions policies differ between Universities and by Programs
 - Resources: www.electronicinfo.ca - used to compare Universities, www.osca.ca - student tab for parents and students, campus tours, March break event, help resources, guidance counsellors
 - OUAC deadlines: Grade 12 - Jan 13, 2007, OUAC provides PIN#, basic application fee is \$150 / 3 applications, \$50 per additional application - www.ouac.on.ca/ugrad-tutorials
- 3) Transition to University:
- Time management in first year, independent self-directed learning
 - Lectures and Tutorials are variable (day or night)
 - 1st year students are encouraged to attend tutorials and study workshops
 - Professors have office hours
 - Student support services also available
- **College stream** - Centennial College, Indira, Admissions and Recruitment
- 24 Colleges in Ontario
- 1) Evolution of Colleges:
- Then: hands on, mostly trades and technological focus, workforce ready
 - Now: expanded to include theory based, professional careers, applied research, entrepreneurship opportunities
 - Centennial Paramedic Program is joint program where students begin studies at UofT, then Centennial, and back to UofT for final year - acceptance mark in the Program is 96%
- 2) College Experience:
- theory base academics - law, teacher's college
 - labour market driven curriculum - CMA, CFP, CHRP
 - experiential learning - mandatory 15 weeks co-op internship
 - academic and student support
 - smaller class size - 25-30 student
 - Credentials: 1 year certificate (can transfer into 1st and 2nd yr of Bachelor's degree); 2 year Diploma (transfer into 2nd/3rd yr Bachelor); 3 year Advanced Diploma (transfer to 2nd/3rd/4th year Bachelor Degree, ie. Nipissing College offers Management Degree in 4th year at Toronto; Apprenticeship - require C, M, U Credits from secondary school
 - U level Eng4U + S, U or M credit of at least 70%

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- C level Grade 12 C or U
- College graduates have specific Honours degree - ie. BPRM - Bachelor of Public Relations Management
- ONTransfer.ca - information of how to transfer from Colleges to University

Admissions requirements:

- OSSD
- only grade 12 (4 M/U) credits for certificates/diplomas
- six grade 12 (C/M) credits for degrees
- grade average varies by program (55% to 95%)
- supplemental requirements (ie. portfolios, auditions, interviews)
- Bachelor of Nursing at Centennial College requires 85%, Bachelor of Paramedical require 96%
- Application timeline:
- apply online = ontariocolleges.ca
- application go live on October 3, 2016
- \$95 application fee for 5 programs - maximum of 3 programs at any one College
- apply an pay before February 15, 2017
- confirm offer by May 1st

Sample post-secondary costs:

- Tuition: degree program	\$6,100
- other degree	2,400
- Other fee	800
- books	1,300
- accommodation	4,000
- food	3,000
- phone/internet/cable	700
- transportation	800
- social life	<u>2,000</u>
	\$21,100

Financial Aid:

- scholarship
 - bursaries
 - awards
 - OSAP
 - jobs on campus
 - Free tuition available based on income, etc.
 - GTA Colleges: Centennial/ George Brown/ Georgian / Humber / Seneca / Sheridan / Michener
 - Mature students application - definition of mature student at UofT is 21 years old, less than a year of Colleges
 - Eng4U / Grade 12 Math
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- UofT will not allow marks from certain private school that is not Ministry approved
 - when kids apply to University, value of extra curriculum activities should be articulated depending on the Program

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(B) Program – 2017/2018 Option Sign-up (45 min)

Snez Bacanin presenting the 2017/2018 Option Sign-up

- provide guidance services for grade 12 students
- encourage kids to listen to application process
- Standardized Post-Secondary Application

Due to insufficient voting members, Quorum not reached; the following items deferred to next meeting.

5. Call to Order, Formal Meeting - Housekeeping (5 minutes)

- a) Recognition of Quorum (Secretary)
- b) Approval of Agenda (Meeting Chairperson)
- c) Declaration of Conflict of Interest (All ACISC members)
- d) Communications and Notifications (Secretary)
- e) Treasurer’s Report (Ms. Lynne Anderson – Treasurer)

6. Old Business (5 minutes)

- a) Approval of 26 October 2016 Minutes (Meeting Chairperson)
 - Draft Minutes are circulated in advance to ACISC Members. Only approved minutes are posted on the ACISC page on the ACI web site (agincourtcollegiate.ca/Councils/School Council).
- b) Assignment/Selection of Principal Needs Assessment Committee (Chair) - (5 min)

7. New Business (5 minutes)

- a) Next Meeting Programming - (5 min)
 - 25 January 2017 Program
- b) Updates and Information of Interest to the Community (5 min total)
 - Chinese Parents Association, Music Parents Association, Open

8. Motion for close formal meeting (1 min)