

KS4/5 School Council Meeting Minutes.

Date of meeting: 12th October 2023

Present:

Mr Hill	Deputy Headteacher
Mr White	Assistant Headteacher
AH	
BM	
IP	
BN	
RR	
FHR	
RW	

Apologies:

Andrea Birkett	School Business Manager
CT (Arrived late due to traffic issues)	

Agenda:

Function of the School Council:

Councilors were reminded that the function of the school council was to represent your Year group and to raise any issues that are heard so we can help make small changes if possible. Small ideas can make big changes. Any ideas should be brought to the meetings even if the School Council representatives do not agree with the ideas. Every student in the school has a voice. Each representative will speak to their year group in department activities or registration to explain their role and how they can make changes.

There will be a board in the reception area of the school with photos and names of all the school council members. This board will show all the achievements from the school council this year.

Mr Walsh & Ms Malston will be setting up two Committee Groups, Sustainability and Diversity, the idea being that all meetings including School Council will run on the same day.

- Parent Tours

There will be parent tours this year - usually every month. Many of last year's council helped out. New councilors were told that in order to be selected to help with the tour, members need to attend all lessons and wear school uniform (Or if 16+ be smart on that day). Mr Hill took a list of those that were willing to help. (These are AH, BM, BN, FHR. IP, RW & RR would like me to ask again later in the year)

New Ideas:

For the second meeting we looked at some of the ideas from last time. There were so many we didn't have time to discuss them. Mr Hill also made a list of suggestions that will form the starting agenda for our next meeting. As we have so many ideas to discuss Mr Hill suggested we had a full lesson (45 minutes) for student council instead of a registration. All members were in favour of this. Mr Hill said he would look at timetables and let members know.

Badges are due to arrive next week and parent tours start this week.

- Post 16 New laptops & chargers
- Make up club - Friday afternoons
- Bring back own devices club
- More school trips - variety
- KS4 common room
- Textiles for 16+ (BN)
- New equipment for outdoor gym
- Sort out the goat enclosure - if not needed now can we expand the MUGA?
- Adobe (?)
- Red School Hoodies
- Refresh the nut walk
- Venus fly trap (??)
- Muller rice added to the lunch menu
- Phones allowed for proper use (calculators etc)
- Put a roof on the animal pen. Make the door stronger. Add cameras
- Wear your PE kit to school
- Music / radio in the gym
- Climbing frame for the MUGA

- Get some covers for the MUGA equipment - protect from rain.
- New school buses - Electric
- Get rid of the bike crate and make a better one with a rack for the bikes

WOW!!

More New Ideas:

- Can 16+ students have their lunch with the older students?
- The tables outside Cedar need - updating / refurbishing / maintaining or removing.
- Can we vary how the year groups are called for taxis - especially in the summer?
- Bring back desk mounted pencil sharpeners!
- Pool table
- Air Hockey
- Are we celebrating the anniversary of St Philips? We should have a special lunch at least!!

The School Council Noticeboard will be updated with photos of new members and their suggestions and ideas.

Minutes will be published on the website

Date of Next Meeting:

- TBA - Food Tech Room