

**SARNIA SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOLS
 PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW COMMITTEE
 MINUTES / RECORD OF ACTION**

Date: October 24, 2016
Location: Great Lakes Secondary School, 275 Wellington Street, Sarnia, Ontario, N7T 1H1

Present: Committee Members: Reena Herbstreit, Student Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., Lynn LeFaive, Parent/Community Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., April Brander, Teaching Staff Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., Marnie Majeski, Teaching Staff Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., Jayne Collier, Clerical Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., Paul Wiersma, Principal Great Lakes Secondary School, Jacqueline Knapp, School Council Chair St. Clair Secondary School, Paul Frayne, Teaching Staff Representative St. Clair Secondary School, Kathy Beatty, Clerical/Custodial Representative St. Clair Secondary School, Jodi McGill, CUPE President, Jennifer George, School Council Chair Sarnia Collegiate Institute, Joy Shah, Student Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., Jeanette Denes, Teaching Staff Representative, St. Clair Secondary School, Renata de Rechter, Parent/Community Representative St. Clair Secondary School, Bev Brodie, Custodial Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S.

Resource Personnel: Roberta Buchanan, Facilitator of Transition Process, Jaime Gudrie, Recorder

Regrets: Hugh Garrett, OSSTF President, Max Cryderman, EA Representative Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S., Keaton Jennings, Student Representative St. Clair Secondary School, Liberty Clements, Student Representative, St. Clair Secondary School, Vicki Ware, First Nation Representative

Note: This document is not a verbatim transcript. Questions and answers have been paraphrased for the sake of clarity and brevity

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Welcome	Roberta Buchanan welcomed the committee.	
Review of Agenda	Roberta Buchanan reviewed the Agenda. No additions were needed from the committee.	

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Review Record of Action from October 4, 2016	<p>The committee reviewed the Record of Action from October 4, 2016.</p> <p>No amendments were needed from the committee.</p>	
Principal Update	<p>Principal Paul Wiersma provided an update.</p> <p>The Chain of Caring to Support the Inn of the Good Shepherd that was held on October 21, 2016 was a success. 5,000 items of food, 2,836 pounds in total, were delivered to the Inn of the Good Shepherd. This event was a great community builder. The students passed food items along a human chain from Great Lakes Secondary School to the Inn of the Good Shepherd. This was a Sarnia Collegiate Institute & T.S. tradition. The St. Clair Secondary School tradition of staff dressing up on October 31st based on a secret theme will continue as well. Principal Wiersma remarked that as principal he is glad to see each school's respective traditions continuing at Great Lakes Secondary School.</p> <p>The Awards/Scholarship/Commencement Sub-committee met and made a few decisions. The graduation ceremony will be held at Progressive Auto Sales Arena on Thursday, June 8, 2016 at 7 p.m. This will be in conjunction with three other schools in the city, and the cost will be split four ways. There will be around 250 graduates, so including guests there will be close to 1200 people in attendance. The sub-committee also decided that the staff trophy will continue and if a student is on track for 28 credits they can participate in graduation.</p>	
June Awards Recognition: Paul Frayne	<p>There was no update needed from the June Awards/Recognition sub-committee.</p>	
Identity Committee: April Brander, Paul Frayne	<p>The recommendation from the Identity Sub-committee on colours and mascot was read as follows:</p> <p><i>"The Identity Sub-committee of the S.C.I.&T.S. – St. Clair Transition Committee is proud to announce that we have reached a decision on the colours and mascot for Great Lakes Secondary School. Our committee, comprised of</i></p>	

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	<p><i>students, community members, and school staff, has met numerous times over the past months to work through this stage of the process.</i></p> <p><i>Before we solicited input and discussed specific names and colours, we began our work by identifying the traits we wanted our new mascot to embody: strength, tenacity, pride, loyalty, unity, humility, and inclusivity. In addition, we felt it was important that our chosen mascot and colours have cultural and geographic significance, be distinct from other area schools, and provide our students with the sense that they all belong to something bigger than themselves.</i></p> <p><i>After careful consideration and much discussion, we are excited to announce our new identity, the Great Lakes Wolfpack, which will be represented by the colours of light blue, silver, and black.</i></p> <p><i>As a Great Lakes specie, wolves have a natural connection to our school name. They are strong and tenacious, determined and fierce. However, it was the concept of the wolfpack which most strongly resonated with our committee members. Wolves live their lives in a pack. Like our two schools joining, they mate for life, and loyalty to this relationship is unbreakable. In the Seven Grandfather teachings, the wolf represents humility. To live life selflessly rather than selfishly, to respect one's own place within the larger group, to take pride in this group and celebrate the accomplishments of its members—these are qualities we desire for each student who attends Great Lakes Secondary. Whether one is an athlete, an artist, a musician, a scholar, a leader, or a follower, each student will know that he or she is a part of the pack, and that together we are stronger than the sum of our parts.</i></p> <p><i>Visually, light blue represents the Great Lakes after which our school is named, silver represents the wolf itself, and black provides the contrast between the two.</i></p> <p><i>The Identity committee would like to thank all of the students, staff, and community members who submitted ideas throughout the input period. Our next steps will include work on a logo, motto, and coat of arms for Great Lakes Secondary School.</i></p> <p><i>Go Wolfpack!"</i></p> <p><i>The recommendation as stated was unanimously supported. The decision for Great Lakes Secondary School will go forward as stated. The decision will be</i></p>	

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	<p>announced to students and staff and the media the morning of October 25, 2016.</p> <p>The recommendation from the Identity Sub-Committee for the logo will be brought to the next Transition Committee meeting.</p> <p>All responsibilities for the Identity Sub-committee will be completed by April 1, 2017.</p>	
<p>History/Memorabilia Committee</p>	<p><u>Sub-committee Member Selection</u></p> <p>Former St Clair S.S.: Student – Addie Neal Current Staff – Lisa Finlayson Current Staff – Ann Oreskovich Current Staff – Diane Vienneau Alumni/Staff – Brian Burdett Alumni/Staff – Candace Linker Alumni/Staff – Carol Barrett Alumni/Staff – Not yet filled</p> <p>Former S.C.I.&T.S.: Student – Ben Lester Current Staff – Helen Crick Current Staff – Bill Cornell Current Staff – Caleb Courtney Alumni/Staff – Gavin Hall Alumni/Staff – Shirley Martin Alumni/Staff – Jim McCabe Alumni/Staff – Gavin Armstrong</p> <p>Former Central Collegiate: Alumni/Staff – Dave Irvine Alumni/Staff – Joan Sparks</p> <p>Sarnia Historical Society: Dave Burwell</p>	

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	<p>Lambton Heritage Museum: Laurie Webb</p> <p><u>Contact of Members</u></p> <p>Principal Wiersma will contact each person who put their name forward to be on the sub-committee and there will be a meeting scheduled for those who were selected towards the end of November. Those who were not selected to be on the sub-committee will be asked if their contact information can be passed on to the sub-committee.</p> <p><u>First Meeting Date, Set Agenda – Principal GLSS</u></p> <p>Principal Wiersma will call the first meeting and set the agenda. The first agenda item will be to choose a chairperson.</p>	
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held at Great Lakes Secondary School in Room 107 on December 13, 2016 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.	