

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THE WOODSTOCK ACADEMY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE
September 14, 2022



These minutes are for
informational purposes only.

PRESENT: Asikainen, Samantha; Carabeau, Garry; Rhyhart, Hans; Rich, Matthew; Samborowski, Leonard; Trivella, Joan; MacKinnon, Leila; Pandurevic, Nina; Hughes, Karin; Marrow-Rivera, Danielle; Rigney, John; Sandford, Chris; Singleton, Holly; Woodland, Julie

ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION: Garnsey, Arianna; McGinn, Walter; Quinn, Eric; Saucier, Bobbie-Jo

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Co-chairman Trivella at 7:01 p.m.

2. Community Participation – None.

3. Secretary's Report—Minutes of May 11, 2022

MOTION: (Samborowski/Rhyhart) To approve the minutes of May 11, 2022.

Unanimous

4. Welcome New Committee Members

Co-chairman Trivella welcomed the new student representatives and asked them to share a bit about themselves. Senior Leila Mackinnon participates in Model United Nations, the National Honor Society, volleyball, basketball, and track. Senior Nina Pandurevic is from Serbia. She helps where needed in the residential life community and participates in Student Council, and yearbook. Junior Ariana Garnsey was unable to attend the meeting.

5. Committee Goals for 2022-2023

Discussion ensued about the 2022-2023 committee goals. Co-chairman Trivella and Head of School Sandford planned to collaborate on edited language to present to the committee at a future meeting.

6. Community Lunch Updates

Associate Head of School Holly Singleton and Dean of Student Affairs Karin Hughes shared that week three of the community lunch program is going well. The lunch line is moving efficiently, food sales have been on par with last year, students have found plenty of places to enjoy their lunch, fewer students have been seen eating alone, indoor classrooms have provided sufficient space for students on rainy days, the library and N/S gyms have been busy places, and more students are participating in clubs and activities than ever before. Teachers have been able to enjoy their 30-minute lunch break while also being available to help students. Although no food service is provided there, approximately 80 students travel or stay on South Campus for activities or lunch. Students and staff shared their personal experiences with the group.

7. FAC (Family Advisory Council)

Dean of Student Affairs Karin Hughes said the creation of a Family Advisory Council is related to the school-wide goal of increasing community communication. It will ask parents and guardians to share their ideas about a variety of topics. Dean of Academics Dr. Harten will help Mrs. Hughes to solicit and select new members sometime after family night. It is hoped that families will have more input and a louder voice through these future meetings and open forums.

8. TEEG Attendance Mentoring

Dean of Student Affairs Karin Hughes stated TEEG's attendance mentoring addresses student school avoidance. The Academy signed another agreement to continue with this program which began last year. The administration is still seeing many students struggling to manage the school routine.

9. Other

Head of School Sandford thanked Associate Head of School Holly Singleton and Dean of Student Affairs Karin Hughes for their recent work in the athletic department and health department, saying every staff member asked to help responded with enthusiasm, commitment, and a desire to put kids first.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: (Asikainen/Rhynhart) To adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

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Board Clerk

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