

**Ursuline College School Advisory Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 30, 2018**

1.0 Prayer  
Introduction of members around the table.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

3.0 Adoption of Minutes (thank you Sandra)

4.0 Correspondence

Two letters from the community regarding donations (from Dress Down Day Donations)  
Both correspondence pieces were "Thank You" letters for donations made by UCC  
-The Refuge Centre received \$1800  
-The Chatham Kent Women Center \$1700+

5.0 Reports:

Renee Handsor talked about the Hockey Home Town event and the city wants to was to share community events  
Mr. Power will be sharing the events with parents via e-mail so that we are all aware of community events dates  
and support the events. Some of the events from the city present volunteer opportunities for UCC students and  
this is most appreciated.

Board Advisory meeting will be confirmed with Nic and Carrie by Mr.Power

Mr. Power shared information about the participation of UCC students in the IPM that took place in Pain Court.

5.1 Parent Council Positions Chairperson – Martha McGregor  
Secretary – Sandra Rodriguez  
Community Rep – Renee Handsor - As Community Representative for Parent  
Council, I pulled together some upcoming event links that might be useful to share with our parent  
community. These links highlight numerous activities being organized throughout the municipality.  
Please investigate how you might become involved or find opportunities for our students.

Community Navigators: <https://www.chatham-kent.ca/community-services/public-libraries/using-your-library/community-resource-advisors>

Family History Fair: <https://www.chatham-kent.ca/community-services/public-libraries/using-your-library/community-resource-advisors>

Free Movie to support Education Savings Week:  
<https://www.facebook.com/CKEmploymentandSocialServices/posts/2248491991911205>

Ontario Works recipients cheques available for pick up: <https://www.chathamdailynews.ca/news/local-news/ontario-works-cheques-available-for-pick-up-amid-possible-postal-strike>

Municipality of Chatham-Kent accepting applications for committees of Council:  
<https://www.chatham-kent.ca/local-government/council/local-boards-and-committees-of-council-application>

ID Clinics for anyone who needs help getting identification: <https://www.chatham-kent.ca/community-services/public-libraries/programs-events/id-clinics>

Hometown Hockey: <https://www.chatham-kent.ca/local-government/media-centre/mayor-randy-hope-is-thrilled-to-announce-rogers-hometown-hockey-will-be-coming-to-the-community-of-chatham-on-december-15-1>

Link to MyCK events: <http://myck.ca/events/>

Board Advisory Rep – Nic Sewell / Carrie Tennant

5.2 Principal

- 5.2.1 Student Council Report - Kali Harris  
Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> – Door decorations and costume contest  
Nov. 30 Silver and White themed Semi-Formal Dance at Retro Suites  
-coordination of ticket sales will observe equitable distribution of on-line and in person sales tickets  
Elementary Feeder visits to UCC Basketball Tournament activities included the appearance of the mascot (Lance)  
The elementary school tournaments are always an opportunity to make school connections with the elementary students and schools.
- 5.2.2 Halloween Expectations - Ray  
Mr. Power shared that all staff was invited to be active in keeping Halloween fun while respecting cultures and understanding the difference between appropriate and inappropriate Halloween costumes.
- 5.2.3 Year to Date Review  
- Grade 9, 10 and 12 Retreats  
- Terry Fox Community Walk raised \$1500  
- PD Day – School Improvement Planning – Numeracy Goal / Health and Safety  
- Progress Reports – Expected home from Oct 9 – 12  
- Parent Teacher Interviews - Thursday Nov 1
- 5.2.4 Academic Assembly - Thursday, Oct 27
- 5.2.5 We Scare Hunger - Wednesday, Oct 31
- 5.2.6 Gr 9's Take your Kid to Work Day - Wednesday, Nov 14
- 5.2.7 Remembrance Day Service - Friday, Nov 9
- 5.2.8 Report Cards - Friday, Nov. 16 – will be sent by period 4 teacher
- 5.2.9 Pathways to Careers – Parent Engagement Night - Thursday, Nov 29  
This is a very important evening. Parents are encouraged to attend. Over 30 agencies will be present.
- 5.2.10 Christmas in Muskoka - Week of Dec 3 - 8

6.0 Presentations

- 6.1 School Climate Survey Results - Rick

Rick presented a most thorough report from the Students/Parents and Teachers lenses

Students in SCCSB feel safe in their schools

There is a small percentage that do not feel a sense of belonging (20%)

Parents generally feel their children feel welcome in their schools

Top 3 issues for students 2018

Pressure to do well at school

Lack of respect for each other

Social media issues

92% of secondary school students feel that they have a caring adult at the school

The next survey will take place in 2020 (it takes place every 2 years)

Specific to UCC:

96.8% of UCC students feel safe at school

667 students filled out the survey

Next Steps:

Safe Schools Committee will meet to discuss the results and create an action plan.

Some school groups will also be invited to participate in the action plans to involved student voice.

A parent member asked about the “faith” section on the survey and the fact that about ½ of the surveyed students did not give faith a high ranking in their choices. Mr. Power discussed various reason for the results.

Another member shared the fact that faith was a key factor in her child’s choice to attend UCC.

6.2 School Spirit Wear - Ray

UCC have numerous opportunities for students to purchase student spirit wear.

Great Promotions is a Spirit Wear Provider that would take care of the inventory, and purchases would be done on-line. Having the company take care of inventory, selection and purchasing comes with an increase in price but it also opens the door to much more diverse selection.

A concern regarding equity was voiced with regards to equitable access to the clothing for students who come from humble financial means as opposed to those who come from affluent families. This is an important point to observe as UCC is a ‘uniform school’.

Mr. Power acknowledged the concern expressed.

Another parent discussed the importance of buying local.

Mr. Power acknowledge this point as well and explained the challenges that have been faced by local providers with regards to providing items at a large scale.

6.3 Pathways to Careers Night - Ray

7.0 Future Business

7.1.1 Public Health Unit – Substance Abuse Prevention

7.2 My Blueprint In-service

8.0 Next Meeting and Future Meeting Dates

Tuesday, November 27

Tuesday, April 30

Tuesday, January 22

Tuesday, May 28

Tuesday, February 26