

### **Student Council Committee Update:**

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> was supposed to be our student council combined meeting, although due to student conflicts, it was cancelled. Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Denise spoke with Angela Mckinnon: Student council advisor- BJSHS , as well as PVEC (Chelsea Stewart and Amy Bush). Angela spoke about the “role” the council plays within each school and the Student Council influence within each school (spirit days, dances, past representation on financial committees to support allocations for extra-curricular activities/clubs). The two school councils met previously as a combined student council “transition” group around the annual fashion show (9 years) at BJSHS and students from both schools are interested in assisting and participating with this.

Meeting was to occur Monday, Dec 5<sup>th</sup> to review constitution of both schools, look at common elements around how each school runs councils ( for example, are both councils “open” councils, ) look for commonalities. Meeting, as a result of recent “Work to Rule” has been postponed.

Barb Welsford, Assistive Tech Centre met with Denise regarding a proposal to take to the council members (she has grant monies to support the work) about students creating a movie from the voices of the students, stories which showcase positive opportunities, positive offerings, interviews regarding the two schools coming together from the perspective of the students.

Next action items: Schedule a combined meeting with both councils to move forward on, particularly with a focus on hearing the thoughts of students in Grades 10 and 11 in the membership

- 1.elections (format, time of year, etc) , considerations of co-presidents
- 2.movie proposal
- 3.possible organization of student led tour of PVEC
- 4.constitution review

### **Extra-Curricular/Special Events Committee: Update**

Initial meetings and contact have begun to establish the members of this committee. Have met with both athletic directors (Dean McDow (PVEC) and Steve Bishop (BJSHS) and they will each select students for this committee and both have agreed to be part of this committee. The committee also is requesting one Art as well as Social Justice teacher from each school, possibly (Drew Gillan (Theatre and Improv) and Krista Longard (Social Justice- Me to We) from PVEC with student reps. Denise contacted Daphne to potential names of the teacher reps for Arts/ Social Justice from BJSHS , and then these teachers will be asked to have student reps from each of these groups to participate.

### **Student Voice Focus Committee:**

Denise will facilitate this committee, which will consist of only student members. About 25 students from each school (about 50 in total), and from a wide cross section of students (not necessarily only the academic, or athletic or those currently involved with strong leadership voices, but also those who are quiet, marginalized or on the periphery of active school life) of students in Grades 10 and 11 (maybe even Grade 9 representatives could be included). The purpose is to have the students come together to share their voices about what they need not only to feel they are represented at PVEC, but the ways in which they could visibly or purposefully be recognized and acknowledged within the school. This format might be in a “World Café” model- details not yet finalized. Denise will reach out to Gord and Daphne to provide a list of 25 students to serve on this committee. Then, once the committee has a final proposal, reps from that group will present to the Steering Committee.