# Eden High School - School Council Meeting #1 - 2025-26 School Year September 29, 2026 - 7:00pm - School Library

#### Welcome & Introductions

Mr. Matt Miller

#### 1. Election/Introduction of Council

- Co-Chairs (Acclaimed without opposition from any in attendance)
  - Renee Delaney
  - Adam Upshaw (Absent)
- Executive positions to be filled (Acclaimed without opposition from any in attendance)
  - Treasurer Irene Zhi Hong Xu
  - Secretary Amy Vanderkooy
- Community Members
  - Karen Cerca & Sarah Daniel
- Parent/Guardian Voting Members
  - 8 Members attended/ 4 Absent
- Administrators
  - Matt Miller (Principal), Julie Aquilina (VP) & Scott Ellis (VP)
- Teacher Representative
  - Cheryl Caldwell D'Sa
- Support Staff Representatives
  - Fran Cerminara & Trish Houtby
- Student Representatives
  - 3 present

#### 2. Student Council Report - Roy

- Council president attended and reported on council goals, various activities that have been happening and some that are upcoming
  - Goals to build community & a sense of belonging
  - Completed Start of school events well received
  - Upcoming Homecoming Event (Dinner & Dance) Oct. 15 open to all students, tickets on sale until Oct 1
    - \*Mr. Miller reminded the council the goal is that any student could participate if they wished; if any family is not able to afford the ticket prices please have them contact Mr. Miller.
- 3. Athletic Council Report Steven & Anthony
  - Council presidents attended and reported on council activities
    - 85 Students have signed up
    - Events: Rowan's Law day, Indigenous Games,
    - Upcoming: Intermurals, MANY sporting teams actively engaged, More school wide events
    - Instagram Account is easiest way to see details @EdenAthletics

<sup>\*</sup>Action: Mr. Miller is working to get a central location for social media accounts and info

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- 4. Principal's Report Mr.Miller Attached
  - Feedback Question/ Discussion
    - Currently Eden has a non-School sponsored prom. Mr. Miller was inquiring about council members' thoughts on supporting a school sponsored Prom. He shared various reasons this could benefit the school body and asked for a discussion around thoughts, questions, concerns.
      - Support from council for increasing the ability of the school team to be a part of ensuring access for all students who want to attend and helping to navigate all students feeling it is 'their' prom.
      - Additionally, concerns around safety, timing of the event and other logistical details may be mitigated by it being a school sponsored event.
      - Note: this was an initial discussion of a potential idea. Mr. Miller was looking for input and this discussion does not make any decision around this event.
        Mr. Miller will keep the council posted about anything further should that be needed.
- 5. Chair's Items Renee Delany
  - Constitution Review & Clarification
  - \*Action: Review date to be added to pages
    - Communications
      - Ideas around how best to communicate with students and school community
      - Ideas: Newsletter from School Council
        - Use Eden TV or SSTC Chronicles
        - Have students attend fundraising events and/or meetings
    - Fundraising Committee
      - Committee Chair needed Amy Vanderkooy offered
      - Karen Cerca willing to continue sausage fundraiser while training this year
      - Discussion of Conflict discussion need for this committee
      - Mr. Miller will communicate about school needs
      - Committee will be contacted to meet outside of main meetings
      - Sausage Fundraiser: Pickup on Oct. 25

### <u>Q&A's</u>

- Mr. Miller was asked about Eden being a destreamed Grade 10 'pilot' program and if the results of that are considered it evaluated.
  - Mr. Miller shared he is always open to feedback and additionally he does feel both teacher feedback and student results are regularly monitored by both staff at Eden and the board at large.
  - If any parent has a specific concern or feedback please contact Mr. Miller.