

NISS Grad 2022 Parent Meeting
Thursday, November 18, 2021

MINUTES

Welcome/Introduction

- Ben Donoghue – Vice Principal, Jen Turner – Principal, Teresa MacKenzie – School Secretary

1. Review minutes from Oct 28 2021 meeting

- Grad is a SD85 event directed by SD85 policies
- Ensure that you have given your current email address to office
- Date is Saturday, June 11, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Parent meetings will take place on the third Thursday of each month at 5:00 pm
- Student meetings will take place at lunch the same day as parent meetings
- Minutes will be emailed to all grade 12 parents and posted on the website
- Potentially 60 grads
- Survey will be completed by students to plan the event
- **Updates from Student Meeting:**
 - ½ of grads attended student lunch meeting
 - Theme has been chosen: Red carpet, Hollywood

2. COVID Update

- NISS has been directed to plan Grad 2022 with the same rules as last year
- Ceremony to be livestreamed
- Max capacity = grads plus staff that are necessary
- Parents suggest that walking ceremony in cap and gown take place on Friday at school and all other events are parent planned and take place at the arena on Saturday
- NISS administrators will get more clarification and bring to parents at next meeting
- Are walking partners permitted? (not at this time at a school ceremony)

3. Fundraising

- Committee members are Laura Evans, Stephanie Manke, Alana Jacobson. Helpers are welcome.
- Stephanie Manke to email Teresa with details of gift card raffle draw before Christmas, so Teresa can apply for the gaming licence
- Ticket sales to start Nov 29, winner to be drawn Dec 14 or 15
- A multi community bottle drive after Christmas to be arranged
- Car wash/BBQ to take place in the spring
- A woodcut is going to take place. This is 100% parent planned.
- Shana created a Facebook page for parents only. Teresa will email the link to grade 12 parents.

4. Decorating

- Heather Nelson-Smith is the lead on this committee. Helpers are welcome.
- Ben will ask grads to brainstorm at the next student meeting
- Nicole suggested that grads could be interviewed as they walk the red carpet and have a video keepsake
- Roberta Day did this theme for her son and she purchased walk of fame Hollywood stars with grad names on them for décor and a keepsake

5. Food

- Nicole McDowell is the lead on this committee. Helpers are welcome.
- Tiffany Gervais offered to help with the food
- Current restrictions around food include: food must be prepared in the presence of a person with a valid FoodSafe certification (Shannon MacGregor has FoodSafe), and must be packaged individually for each student
- Ben will ask grads for their food requests

6. Communities

- Grad banners are organized by parents in each community
- Parents can contact Tiffany Fischer at reapersignskillerdesigns@gmail.com for information on banners

7. Brainstorming

- Parents would like to see a list of goals, deadline dates
- Trip
- Parents would like to see last year's timeline. Teresa will work on this and email next week.
- Below is a sample of last years program:

*North Island Secondary School
School Leaving Ceremony
Scholarship/Bursary Program
2020-2021*

Ben – introduction, housekeeping, rules

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Salutatorian Address

Principal's Address

Greetings from Dignitaries

Valedictorian Address

Scholarship and Bursary presentation

Special Achievement recognition by Ms. Johnson

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Student Photos

Students Depart

Meeting ended at 6:30 p.m.