

School Advisory Council • Sackville Heights Junior High

Meeting Summary

January 11, 2023, 6:00 pm

1. Call to Order:

6:02 pm by Tanya Mercer, seconded by Rhonda Cox

Attendance: Paula Fairbairn, John Mumford, Jeff Carruthers, Tanya Mercer, Rhonda Cox, Jenn Knight, Becky Payzant, Bella Duffley, Kim Best-Janes, Phoenix Pichette, Essence Pichette,

Regrets: Jill Cormier, Dallas MacDonald, Sarah Greenham,

2. Approval of Agenda

Becky Payzant

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Summary - Dated November 2, 2022

Kimberly Best-Janes

4. Business Arising from Previous Meeting Summary -

- ✓ Internal student survey – to be discussed under new business.

5. Regional Student Success Plan (RSSP) (standing agenda item)

- CHALLENGE OF PRACTICE How do we align and strengthen regional, school and classroom practices so every student has access to equitable learning experiences in spaces where they feel a sense of belonging, acceptance, and value so they can best learn and succeed in our priority areas of **Mathematics, Literacy and Well-Being**?

Math has been a focus, Grade 8 and 10. Literacy talks have been starting to occur more often in principals' meetings.

6. New Business

a) November 16 SAC Survey

Completed by Mrs. Fairbairn. General survey. Information gathering.

b) November 29 SAC PD discussion

Very few schools had done surveys and we were praised for having it completed. Basically what we've done with the student success survey is what was discussed at the session. Talked about math, literacy, well being goals, strategies for recruiting members.

c) Internal student survey discussion.

Previous meeting we discussed external survey data. Mr. Mumford has collected internal student data and organized it by homeroom and access has been given to staff to review. What do you want your teacher to know about you? Teachers and other support staff have been directed to look at some of the students' responses. Separated by ANS and Indigenous. Results show that our AFNS and Indigenous students feel less represented in the school than the overall school population.

d) Admin Report

School Population

677

Staffing:

5 Pre-service teachers (4 second year, 1 first year)

Professional development:

November 17 – RCH training for a lead team of staff - Planning to meet and plan some next steps for group and school

November 30 and December 1 – Inquiry based learning, certain specialist teachers were elsewhere, grade 6s fact fluency

School Clubs, Activities and Athletics:

- Remembrance Day ceremony – Nov. 10
- Dance - Dec. 15th
- Basketball - Season has begun.
- Babysitters' Program - Dec. 2nd
- Band concert - Dec. 8th
- Art club at lunch. With Mrs. Oldford, first and second lunch. Popular.
- Girls club. - SchoolsPlus organized
- Boys club starting. - Starting soon. (SchoolsPlus)
- Musical - Coming up soon.

Trips:

- Grade 8 FI to MSVU. All French activities.
- Grade 6s to Rocky Lake Glass Lab

Report Cards:

- Electronically Nov 28th.
- Parent/Teacher – Nov. 30th/Dec. 1st

SAC Grant

- \$5000 + \$1 per student
- Spending guidelines (All expenditures must fit into one of three categories: resources for Math and literacy, supporting/promoting new policies, operational expenses to support member participation)
- March to March fiscal year for budget
- Balance: **\$4392.01**

7. Public Input

n/a

8. Next Meeting

March 8, 2023, April 26, 2023, June 21, 2023 .

9. Adjournment

6:45 pm by Essence Pichette and seconded by Jen Knight