

SAC Meeting Minutes – Monday, April 7th, 2025

Attendance: Brendon MacGillivray, Ashley Matthews-Coons, Kaylee Rawding, Megan Brocklehurst, Kathryn Morse, Zack Swick, Marion Gates and Jennifer Wheadon

Regrets: Kathryn Morse, Zack Swick

Call to order: 5:48pm

Approval of the agenda:

1st: Kristen Bishop

2nd: Marion Gates

Approval of February 3rd, 2025 meeting minutes:

1st:

2nd:

Principal's Report

Student Success Planning

- Cycle two computational data for math which varies from grade to grade. It is divided into two separate sections, our French immersion students and our English students.
- Term two reading data shows that the majority of students are at the meeting level. Regional success plan is to focus on groups that are marginalized in our society, particularly those that identify as African Nova Scotian or those of Indigenous Heritage.
- As a part of our well-being goal, we are still working towards creating strategies and opportunities to recognize our students in a positive way.
- Our breakfast program is still functioning at a high level and it is currently being tailored to fit the needs of our students now that we have the new lunch program.
- The administrative team makes attempts to regularly check-in and connect with students on a regular basis. This helps mitigate situations in our building but also makes students feel seen and welcomed.
- Students confidence survey will be rolled out in term 3.

- Completed the provincial SAC survey which discusses how many people are on our SAC and how that is represented and does it match our student population and their overall well-being.

Operational

- Fire code - we have made great gains in our fire code and reduced combustible materials from our building. Will revis
- Staffing updates - one classroom teacher who has been on leave since January, 2023 and Ms. Harnish will have a retroactive contract back to September.
- Vacancy in one of our grade 5 classrooms we are attempting to fill with retired teachers to help meet the needs of the students in the classroom. The position has been posted and the teacher is expected to return on April 28. The listing closes tomorrow and we will be able to look through applications after that.
- One EPA return from injury and another who is out on injury who had a slip and fall.
- Courtney Williams and Allison Noddin will be returning.
- Math coach is working in several classrooms with teachers.
- Students who were observing Ramadan were provided additional spaces to spend time together as they are fasting.
- Scholastic Book Fair collected \$8600 and the school gets 40% back to spend at Scholastic.

Extra-Curriculars

- March dance - our spring dance which was a big hit.
- School streets and it shows the need for traffic control on Downing Street but further measures need to be taken.
- Pottery classes with Beth Allen class
- SuperNova for grades four and five students
- CGC and BMO field trip planned by Erin Coates and Jessica Waye.
- Spring fair is in the works and volunteers will be needed.

Finances

- SAC funds has roughly \$3000
- Student support grant has \$4000
- Breakfast program \$3500

Old Business

- Teachers made an effort to reduce the amount of paper in their classrooms to help abide by the 20% coverage rule. We will be revisiting this in September.

New Business

- We have been providing our lunch monitors with a clipboard to help track our student activity and identify any big needs that need to be addressed. This helps identify areas that may need more attention as well as identify students who are making good choices.

Next Meeting Dates:

May 12th – 5:45

June 16th - 5:45

Motion to adjourn: 6:22

1st: Marion Gates

2nd: Kaylee Rawding