

SAC Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, January 25th, 2022

Attendance: Brendon MacGillivray, Ashley Matthews-Coons, Margot Gall, Jemima Perks, Kristen Bishop, Courtney Williams

Regrets: Marion Gates

Call to order: 5:50

Approval of the agenda:

1st: Kristen Bishop

2nd: Margot Gall

Approval of January, 2022 meeting minutes:

1st : Courtney Williams

2nd : Jemima Perks

Approval of December, 2021 meeting minutes:

1st : Jemima Perks

2nd : Margot Gall

Principal's Report

Student Success Planning

- Changes to the SSP that reflect site based as well as regional based data.
- The document is going to be a living document as things evolve and change and we collect new data we will be able to adjust accordingly.
- Reading data overview (Fall data) - Reading assessments through the Fall to monitor student progress.
- The primary data - French Immersion reflected and focused on the oral language and before we see it into print. Two years ago, the English side began focusing on the same process to increase overall language proficiency and understanding.
- HRCE reading benchmarks in English and in French reflect where students should be with regard to their reading fluency.

- A tentative plan that we are going to present to our staff about some library funding. Our library was allocated just about \$2000.00 which will be supported with additional funds up to \$5000.00. The staff will be choosing books based on student interest and students will have a say on what type of books they would like to see in the library.

Operational

- Repairs to the modular, there was water leaking into the modular and created a block of ice in the middle of the vent. They had to fix the interior and exterior components to ensure the vents are clear.
- Push bars will be implemented into the interior doors.
- Windows will be added to the staff room in the modular.
- Room number 9 needs a replacement of a compressor of the heat pump and was replaced over Christmas.
- They added a concrete deflector to the concrete modular base that was causing some erosion problems that over time would affect the land around the modular.
- Over the break we registered 17 new students and 3 students had moved away.
- One of our students is special needs and we were given 0.5 EPA position.
- Release all school booking dates back until March break.
- Icy conditions and wind chill - we sent out communication about the conditions when we are allowed to send the students outside.
- Covid-19, the system has been tracking absences of students and staff very closely for public health as well as our regional director. HRCE is currently sending out all available licensed staff to help cover classes because of staffing issues.
- Masks and rapid tests were sent out to families.
- Lunch monitors - we are having difficulties with lunch coverage. We are putting out job requests for lunch monitors to ensure that our students are able to stay in their "bubbled" cohorts. There is a need for lunch monitors to adequately monitor all of our students.

Extra-Curriculars

- The Fine Arts specialist was in to work with Doucette and Williams on embroidery.
- Some staff have been using the Discovery Center's Jeff Hennigar to do some virtual science lessons.

- Green Schools were coming into individual classrooms to discuss various science phenomena.
- A staff member is closely connected with Bell Let's Talk and she will be setting up a session with all teachers. We brought back our mindful quotes on our announcements and created a positive mindset.
- We have set up a virtual meeting for African drumming and music on February 3rd during our individual physical education classes.
- Literacy Week was from January 24th - January 28th.
- Received a healthy schools grant that has to be used by the end of March. We are going to meet with staff on Thursday to discuss how we can spend it.

Old Business:

- PTG - more people are showing up and showing interest.
- Traffic safety/congestion - There seems to be a little more traffic with parents not wanting to send their children onto the buses. We did lose our community police member, Mr. MacGillivray asked if he could send out some information for someone to come to the school as his replacement.
- Outdoor classroom - there was an order placed for the outdoor classroom and it will be finished by March 31st, 2022.
- Bathroom construction - the breezeway or walkway and the bathrooms are up and fully operational.
- SAC Community member - still looking for a SAC community member, putting out information about SAC and finding two co-chairs and a community member earlier rather than later.
- School healthy eating program - Jemima has a meeting with Kelly Sherwood on how to improve the program.

New Business:

- SAC co-chair terms ending in June, we would like to have people in place before the end of June so they can see how the SAC works.
- Annual report that was sent by Mr. MacGillivray that was sent by the HRCE. To look ahead before the end of the terms, list significant milestones and success stories of the year. Garden for the healthy schools grant as well as potential development of the kitchen.
- SAC funds and how to spend the money. \$5000 available for staff to use for their classrooms.

Dates to Remember

Next Meeting Dates: Tuesday, March 29th, 2022

Motion to adjourn

1st: Courtney Williams

2nd: Jemima Perks

Adjournment: 6:44pm