

## SAC Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, June 7th, 2022

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

**Regrets:** Marion Gates, Amy Casey, Kathryn Morse, Shauna Swinamer

**Call to order:** 5:49pm

**Approval of the agenda:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Jemima Perks

2<sup>nd</sup>: Courtney Williams

**Approval of May, 2022 meeting minutes:**

1<sup>st</sup> : Margot Gall

2<sup>nd</sup>: Jemima Perks

### Principal's Report

#### Student Success Planning

- Populating data for this currently
- Brendon will be reporting out P-2 reading data next week
  - Asked staff to give a few names of students who are not meeting benchmarks, however made great gains this year (Brendon read descriptions aloud)
- Kindness Initiative
  - Really positive feedback from staff and students!
  - Real examples on playground
- Curriculum Night/Ice Cream Social
  - September 6: night before school opens
- Pop-Up Library
  - June 17 - sign up for library cards
  - July 13 and 17

#### Operational

- Washrooms in Modular
  - Still having issues with behaviors/damage
  - Considering installing sinks in hallways (eliminate those washing their hands at lunch in bathrooms)
- Pre-primary

- 4 classrooms currently (includes Rockingham students)
- Moved classrooms to middle of main hallway (will make their own pod in a way; will alleviate noise level near P-6 classes)
- P-1 classes at beginning of main hallway
- French Immersion classes all in Crush area
- Learning Centre moved to modular
- Staffing
  - 5 current term teachers who do not currently have a job with us for next year
  - 3 permanent staff take positions at other schools (Christina Hickey, Kelly Boyle and Christa Besner)
  - 2 teachers hired to come back to us (Jennifer Brace and Jessica Waye)
  - Retirement (Debbie Mayer - pre-primary)
  - Asma and Dania (EPAs) have contracts that are up (positions will be posted that they are eligible to apply to)
  - New staff coming: Amanda Mombourquette, Carly Sanclair, Susan Buck-MacPherson, Susan Charlton, Kim Piercey
  - Julie Welsh moving to be acting VP at Harrietsfield Elementary
- Employee Confidentiality
  - Document that HRCE has created around confidentiality
  - Ensuring that volunteers working in our building keep information private

### Extra-Curriculars

- Grade 6 transition tours of junior highs
- Grade 6 closing ceremony upcoming
- Food Garden and Pollinator Garden
- Assembly on Friday (Lift Every Voice)
- Field Trips ongoing

### Finance

- Approved Spending
  - Leveled Literacy Intervention Kits (used for reading interventions)
  - Button Maker
  - Crib Boards
  - Bescherelles
  - Embroidery - Hook Line Tinker
  - Music subscription
  - George's Island Trip

- Close to the \$5000 spending mark
- Funds leftover from wellbeing grant
- Kindness Initiative will be offset with some of next year's SAC money that will be given soon

### Old Business:

- Marion was going to create a chart and will be created using excel spreadsheet and we can choose accordingly.
- Winding down towards the end of June and what was to be done throughout the summer. Educating our families and the statistics of how the congestion is affecting our morning and dismissal routines. All information has been shared with our families to ensure they know to drop their children off on Armstrong Court.
- Educate the residents around the school to help redirect Downing Street traffic.
- Active School Travel event to give parents incentives to walk their child to school in lieu of driving their child to school.
- Walk and Roll - Piloting the program in January to promote a program called "School's Streets".
- Kindness initiative has been going well. Many classes have participated and benefitted from the workshop.
- SAC Co-Chair replacement and we need a parent to balance the committee.
- Annual report needs to be done and all participating bodies on SAC can add in notes about the year.

### New Business:

- An under five year old playground where the crusher dust is. The money needs to be spent by March, 2023.
- There is a local company called Cobequid Consulting that may be a little quick to help put together a playground for the pre-primaries.
- Marion was connecting with one of the pre-primary teachers to get a sense of what they would like to see as far as playground equipment goes.
- The bathroom vandalism will be mentioned in our monthly newsletter.
- Welcoming Rockingham students, doing something special for any pre-primary or French Immersion students coming to our school.
- Today is Margot's last day on SAC. We thank-you for your contribution to our SAC.

### Dates to Remember:

**Next Meeting Dates:**

- September 27

**Motion to adjourn:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Jemima Perks

2<sup>nd</sup>: Courtney Williams

**Adjournment:** 7:04pm