

SAC Meeting Minutes: April 11th, 2024.

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Members Present:

- Michelle Kavanaugh Principal
- Christine McKenna Vice-Principal
- Brooke VanTassel Teacher (Absent)
- Diana Hatchette Teacher
- Angela Murphy Parent (Absent)
- Amanda Dowling Parent
- Lisa MacKinnon Community Member
- Michelle Garcia Schools Plus Community Outreach Worker
- Tyrell Grosse Grade 7 student representative (Absent)
- Kassidy Molineux- Ross Grade 9 student representative (Absent)

Reviewed Agenda

Introductions

Upcoming Meeting Times and Dates: May 15th, 2024.

Principal's Report:

SAC Proposals:

- Jenn Sheppard: flexible seating options, lighting voted: yes
- Amy Withington: comfortable lighting/led lighting, stand up lamps, flexible seating (bean bag chairs), chalkboard stickers voted: yes
- Brooke VanTassel: Kitchen Aid mixers voted: yes
- Brooke VanTassel: Real Time Baby for Child Studies voted: yes
- Diana Hatchette: Ceramic supplies (glaze and clay to fire at an 06/basic stoneware level for our kiln) voted: yes
- Diana Hatchette: pizza for the French foods unit voted: yes
- Daniel Burke: grant proposal through Music Counts but haven't heard back regarding the grant (will discuss at next meeting)
- Bee Kind shirts for students (need to get three quotes)

Other Business:

- **Latest extraction of numbers for classes next year and potential allocation for next year**

Upcoming School Trips

- Grade 9 Math trip to Dalhousie-Friday, April 25th
- Grade 9 Trip to NSCC-Friday, April 12th
- Grade 7 and LC Trip to Shubenacadie Wildlife Park- May 17th

- DHS Band- May 9th
- Grade 9 End of Year Trip to Tim Horton Camp May 29-31

Student Achievement

- Marina Clyde, Resource has been working with small groups on paragraph writing. This has been identified as an area of challenge for our students.
- Challenging for students to meet grade 8 system wide math and literacy goals.
- Shauna Murphy (SLP)- IN class Tier 1 phonics support using UFLI
- ANS Math Support Grant- We are working in small groups on targeted instruction to help improve understanding of math concepts and outcomes.
- RWM8 Provincial Assessment at the end of May (Reading/Writing: May 23, 24, Math: May 27, 28, Make-up day: May 29)
- Grade 9 Course selection
- Chromebooks to support literacy, math, and well-being

Suggestions:

- Next year, multi age after-school tutoring program at the school with Schools Plus- promote community connections between Harbourview and John Martin (volunteers needed for mathematics- reach out to DHS for students who need volunteer hours and encourage connections)
 - Positive programming
 - Would increase confidence and risk taking in a group environment
- Program modeled after Roots of Empathy to make connections between Child Studies classes and children at Harbourview/North Grove