



SAC Meeting Summary

Thursday, February 22nd, 2024

6:00 – 7:00 pm

In Attendance: Ginette Johnson, Lori Vroegh, Millie Robinson, Joslyn Paige, Kristyn Thoms, Denise Hilchie, Moira Peters

Welcome & Call to Order: Joslyn called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Review/Approval of Agenda: Ginette approved the agenda

Review/Approval of Minutes: Denise approved the minutes.

Business Arising From Minutes:

- The heavy-duty white board tables from 'School House Products' that had been previously purchased were \$616 for round tables. Unfortunately, they have been discontinued
 - The rectangular tables are \$496
 - The cutoff date to order tables was Feb 16th
 - April 1st, the new spending budget begins so Millie will look to purchase tables around this date
- Plywood for the front mural has not been purchased yet due to the weather. The vehicle Millie and Ron would use to pick up has an open back, so they will wait for dry weather to pick up and transport
 - Moira has offered for Owen to use the van to pick up the plywood
- The gravel for shady lane has arrived at the school but will not be spread until the spring when things have dried up a bit.
- Kristyn had asked Mike Lake about a potential donation of mulch and soil from Elmsdale Landscaping to help with the garden projects. Mike is going

to check and get back to us on this. Kristyn will follow up with Nicky about starting up a lunchtime garden club in the spring.

Principals Report:

- Site-based PD was held on Jan. 2nd for teachers. We joined KDS and RDS for 3 different sessions: Madison Cameron (social media), Journalling, and Dr. Ashley Margeson (Breaking the Burnout Cycle)
- Principal's Lunch was held Jan. 5th
- Nova Scotian author, Jan Coates, visited our school and did 2 different presentations (PP-2 and 3-6).
- Attended MathUP Leadership Jan. 11
- Rosie, the alpaca from Kennington Farms visited our school on Jan. 12
- SAC and Home & School meetings were held Jan. 18
- Gravel was delivered by Mark Hilchie to freshen up Shady Lane. This will be spread in the Spring by operations.
- RWM6 Provincial Assessments were received and sent out to parents.
- The Math Coach worked with Ms. McCabe and Ms. Hamilton Jan. 24 and 25. Common tasks for all grade levels were administered, and teachers analyzed data to determine the next steps. During collaborative time, activities using Cuisenaire rods were shared that teachers can use moving forward.
- JOH&S Meeting was held Jan. 25
- Mrs. Hilchie had an opportunity on Jan. 26 to work with ASD Early Intervention Communication Specialist and Program Planning Implementation Specialist
- Monthly Assembly was held Jan. 31

SSP:

- Wellbeing: Community circles are happening and are being discussed at the staff meetings. During the circle time, every student has the opportunity for their voice to be heard.
- Literacy: Trends from data pulls show a breakdown of difficulties in this area. Grade P – 4 are receiving a Q pass or a core phonics assessment.
 - Examples: can students identify the initial sound of words. This method will identify where students are trending difficulties and target them in groups.
 - Next steps will be discussed at PD Day March 28th
 - Denise asks for money for index cards, laminating sheets and tools needed to support literacy goals.

- Millie motioned for approval for up to \$200 towards supplies. All were in favor and the motion was approved.
- Math: still using 15 minutes of visualization technique prior to each math class. Introduction of Cuisenaire rods.
 - MathUp, we are a phase 1 school
 - Grade 3 provincial assessment is happening in May. Sara Thompson is helping to prep for this.

New Business

- None

Public Input:

- Moira asked about the 4 students who were feeling alone and how things are going? Millie and other staff feel that those students are quite happy and content to be alone at this time. They feel they have done what they can to support them on their journey.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, March 21st, 2024

Adjournment: Kristyn adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.