

SAC Meeting Minutes
October 29th, 2024 (6:00pm)

Members Present

- Sara Walker (Principal)
- Liz Struif-Mandishora (SAC Chair)
- Richard Michaud (Teacher)
- Mike Murray (Teacher)
- Michelle Cormier (Parent)
- Craig Nelson
- Liz Sequeira (Parent)

Bruce Holland has stepped down as he has other commitments. We would like to acknowledge how much we appreciated his time serving on the SAC.

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

- Approval of minutes were motioned by Richard Michaud and seconded by Michelle Cormier
- Approval of agenda including amendments were motioned by Mike Murray and seconded by Richard Michaud

Discussion Items

- **Principals Report and Student Success Plan**
 - Three goals
 - Improvement in literacy, mathematics and well being
 - Our grade eights from last year did extremely well in the provincial assessments
- **Updates**
 - Lunch Program
 - With any new program, there are its challenges
 - Sara will order extra lunches every cycle in case there are some kids without a lunch and didn't order
 - Still looking for people to deliver the lunches to the classrooms.
 - If people have concerns about the lunches, you can email: lunch@hrce.ca
 - 400-500 meals being ordered every day
 - Healthy Hunger lunch program will not be coming back
 - **SAC Conference**
 - Full day conference at the end of September
 - Keynote speaker spoke about some challenges students may have
 - Stations were set up that showcased what different SAC and how they are spending their budgets
 - Presentation on lunch program by Dr. Strang
 - Role of SAC in decision making and how that relates to the administration

- Gary Adams spoke about new provincial code of conduct
 - Talked about the cell phone ban in school
 - **Action Plan for recruiting new members**
 - Parents: ask at least one person each to join the SAC or even come to one meeting to see what it is about
 - Teachers/Admin: can we send out an ask for members to join?
 - We need representation from each of our communities
 - Elementary, junior high, French, new Canadians etc
 - Sara can send an email to teachers to see if they know any parents interested
 - Richard will send out an email to his class family
 - **Tim Horton's Camp was approved by the SAC**
 - Three days, two nights
 - Fall and Spring in the same year
 - Grade eights only
 - French program and English program separately
 - Cost of camp is completely covered by the camp
 - Educational outcomes will be covered at the camp including
 - Goals for the year and when they go back in the spring they check in with their goals
 - Relationship building
 - Team building activities
 - **Facebook Group**
 - Can there be a way for the moderator to approve the post it goes live?
 - Sara will reach out to the moderator of the group to see about how we can make some guidelines
 - **Finance**
 - Two requests for money
 - LC teacher would like to create a sensory wall
 - Guidance and SLP has requested some funds but we will discuss this next meeting
 - Last year we bought 10 white board tables and are well used
 - Money last year was also used to purchase books for a phonetics program
- Next Meeting
 - November 26th at 6:00pm
 - Meeting Adjournment: 7:06 PM