

Leslie Thomas Junior High
SAC Meeting
Wednesday, December 4th 2024

In Attendance:

Member	Role	Email Address
Gary Miller	School Principal	gmiller@hrce.ca
Heather Bernier	Vice Principal	hbernier@hrce.ca
Ryan Richards	Teacher	ryan.richards@hrce.ca
Crystal Denny	Chair	
Regrets:		
Justinian Martin	Teacher	justinian.martin@hrce.ca
Colleen Parsons	CUPE Member	colleen.parsons@hrce.ca
Audry Bithell Batstone	Grade Seven Student Rep	
Jen Robar	Grade Seven Parent	
Adair Roop	Grade Eight Parent	
Mark Baker	Community Member	
Natalie N.	Grade Six Parent	

1. Call to order
 - a. Review of SAC responsibilities, duties and by laws

2. Approval of minutes from last meeting
 - a. Yes

3. Student Report
 - a. N/A

4. Principal Report

- a. Report Cards and Adaptations went home via Edupost on November 28th.
- b. Parent/Teacher Conferences are being held tomorrow, December 5th. 1-3pm is phone calls and 5-7pm is in person meetings.
- c. Band Concert was held on December 3rd in the evening. It was a wonderful presentation of student effort and Ms. Leader did a great job at organizing and preparing the students.
- d. Spirit Week will be held the week before holiday break; December 16th - 20th. There will be a variety of activities planned that week for students and staff to participate in.
- e. Volleyball season has ended. The boys team made it to the final game and the girls made it to the quarter finals.
- f. Basketball tryouts have begun and LT has both girls and boys teams.
- g. More lunch time activities have started up - crib club is available for students on Fridays at lunch and a nitroball tournament is coming to an end this week.
- h. School Trips: the grade eight students went to see the film "Wild Robot" at the Sackville Cineplex.
- i. The Remembrance Day Ceremony was held on November 8th. This was organized by staff members Crystal Isert and Holly Leader. It was well attended and our Jr. High band played our national anthem.
- j. Math tutoring group has begun on Tuesdays. Two high schools students come and offer support to our ANS and Indigenous students.
- k. Honour Roll is still in effective this year and grade level assemblies will take place during Spirit Week. Gold certificates must have a 90+ average, Silver certificates between 80-89.4 average and Bronze certificates must have between 75-79.4 average.
- l. SSP Update:
 - i. Literacy: The overall goal of the school is "to improve student achievement in literacy with a focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous descent". Cycle one reflection has been completed and our next step is to look at report card data and use this information to inform our teaching for term two.
 - ii. Math: overall goal of the school is "to improve student achievement in mathematics with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry." The focus has been working on formative assessment practices and will continue to be. Report card data will also be analysed. We will look to disaggregate the data by ancestry and gender to find any patterns and further focus support.
 - iii. Wellbeing: overall goal is "to improve student wellbeing with a focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous descent. We have been focusing on building connections and relationships and identifying those students who are not connected. Staff will continue to work diligently to provide a multitude of opportunities and experiences for our students at LT.

- m. Teacher Learning:
 - i. First half day of self directed learning takes place on December 5th in the morning.

- 5. Funding Requests:
 - a. N/A

- 6. Next Meeting Dates:
 - a. February 25th 2024
 - b. March 25th 2024
 - c. May 27th 2024

- 7. Adjournment