

School Advisory Minutes

October 6th, 2026

Attendance:

Name	Position (i.e. parent, student, staff, community member)
Natalie Nymark	Parent
Krystal Denney	Chair (Parent)
Kate Denney	Student (Grade 7 Rep)
Braescott Lee	Student (Grade 8 Rep)
Saoirse Brummell	Student (Grade 8 Rep)
Sofia Forrest	Student (Grade 8 Rep)
Angela Akpan	Parent
Adair Roop	Parent
Michael Gregory	Community Member
B.J. Nooyen	Teacher
Ryan Richards	Teacher
Lisa Mac Neil	Vice Principal

Sending regrets: Gary Miller

Minutes:

Introductions

Bylaws of 2023 stand for the upcoming year. These are posted on the Leslie Thomas Website.

We will use a consensus method to make decisions as a collective group.

We discussed the **Principal's Report:**

Principal Report

School Demographics – 310 Students

- i. five grade six classrooms with one being early French immersion;
 - ii. five grade seven homerooms with one being late French immersion and one being early French immersion;
 - iii. four grade eight homerooms with one being late French immersion and one being early French immersion
2. 3 New teachers this year: Mme Sinclair (FI Math), Ms Dewolfe (Sci, SS, HL) Ms Elliot (FS, Sci, Music)
 - i. Teachers in new roles: Ms Archibald (TE); Mme Edwards (Sci and HL)
3. 1 New EPAs – 50% Ms Turple
4. EMP – Relocation and Drills

5. New Boiler and thermostats to start running soon
6. Lunch and Breakfast Program started September 8th 📷
7. Care Closet/Supply Carts
8. Bike racks and Basketball net 📷
9. Orange shirt day was on Tuesday September 29 – School wide presentation on Magit Dolls 📷
10. Picture Day was on September 15th Retakes on October 27th
11. Curriculum Night – September 17th
12. Sports:
 - i. Gaga Ball Tournament
 - ii. Soccer has begun (coaches: Girls: Ms. Dewolfe Boys: Ms. Killen/Ms. Nymark) 📷
 - iii. Cross Country – Ms Hartnett
 - iv. Volleyball next
 - v. Intramurals at lunch – Mr Hulshof / Ms Archibald
 - vi. Dance October 15
13. Jazz Band on Wednesday Mornings- Ms Leader
14. Aquarium Club, Art Club, GSA, Leadership, Green Team have started
15. Funding Requests: Melodie Edwards, Bryanne Elliot, Ryan Richards, BJ Nooyen
 - i. Grant will be sent to school in the amount of \$5310.00

Next Meeting Dates:

November TBD
December 10,2026
February 10, 2027
March 31, 2027
May 5th, 2027

***** End of Principal's Report*****

We were then provided a **student report** with updates on the following:

- Breakfast program every morning - grab and go/toast and bagels
- Lunch program each lunch
- Teams- volleyball, cross country, soccer-still looking for a girls volleyball coach
- Intramurals every lunch hour
- Gaga ball tournament today
- Green team
- Recycling team
- Gardening club
- Dance October 15th
- Dance canteen volunteers
- Jazz band
- Guitar club
- Chess club
- Aquarium club
- GSA
- Sign Club
- Leadership
- Spirit week- October
- October bake sale, head strong, food drive

The following **funding requests** were submitted:

BJ Nooyen – Book funding and whiteboards for classroom (\$500) **approved.**

Ryan Richards – Gardening supplies for new club (\$250) **approved.**

Bryanne Elliot – Headphones request for music class (\$800) **approved.**

Melodie Edwards – French-English dictionaries (**request on hold until we ask school community**)

Meeting was adjourned.