



School Advisory Council Meeting
September 28, 2020
Minutes

- Call to Order
Meeting was called to order by Michelle Wright at 6:33pm
- Welcome and Introduction
- Michelle welcomed everyone in attendance. Every member present introduced themselves and outlined what role they were representing on the SAC for this year. In attendance; Michelle Wright, Cheryl Hartnett, Colleen Parsons, Andrea Doucette, Patricia Fee, Jennifer Roy, Liam Skinner, Kate Hendry, Derek Ferguson, Piper Harrington. Not in attendance was Kiera Brillinger. Still looking for a Grade 8 parent representative preferably from the Cavalier catchment of schools.
- Approval of Minutes
Minutes of last meeting held in February 2020 were approved.
- SAC Agreement
Principal Ferguson outlined the SAC agreement. Michelle questioned if we should have a grade 6 student representative. Principal Ferguson stated that students have to be in grade 7-12 to be on the SAC.
This agreement will be sent via all members to review and provide feedback too by Friday October 2, 2020. Once it is finalized it will be sent to HRCE.
- Student Report
Presented by Liam Skinner. The students are finding it difficult so far this year because of COVID procedures. Finding wearing the masks for long periods very hard and not being able to do anything. Piper added that they understand it is important to wear masks.
Principal Ferguson spoke to understanding the challenges that the students are facing but not much is able to be done to change anything at this time. He did indicate that the gaga ball pit has just been re-opened with safety precautions being taken.
- Principal Report

Student body of 263 this year at LT

4 classes of Grade 6

5 classes of Grade 7

4 classes of Grade 8

Outlined the staff changes at LT for this year and that they just filled a 40% admin assistant.

Staff are doing a great job with new safety guidelines. Student movement is very limited. Grades 7 and 8 only move to their electives and all grades move for gym outside of their regular classroom.

Discussed technology, 60% is available for students use in case alternative learning is required. A lot of outbreak would have to happen before Jr. High students would be looking at home learning.

Discussed the student success plan regarding literacy and Math for LT.

Outlined the presentations that took place during the staff's PD day the week prior surrounding black lives matter. Looking at getting BLM clothing added to the school clothing website to support BLM. As well as a clothing line supporting orange shirt day.

Kate Hendry suggested that proceeds from sales if there are any going to local black business in our area.

Terry Fox run is still happening but looks very different and is happening during gym class. Still looking for donations but obviously do not want students to go door to door.

SAC funds we are receiving for this year \$5000.00 plus \$1.00 per student. We have \$922.00 left from last year as it was cut short so Principal Ferguson will confirm that we get to utilize these funds as well. Some teachers are asking for items. They will get proposals together for next meeting.

Michelle opened it up for new business.

Jennifer Roy suggested using some of SAC funds to install a couple of portable hand washing stations at entrances to school to enhance public health protocol but this was declined as an option as it would take too long for students to use when entering the building. *Mr. Ferguson quoted the Back to School Plan: 'Frequent hand washing is important for everyone entering the school. Hands should be washed with soap and water for 20 seconds or an alcohol based hand sanitizer'. Students* and they are given lots of hand sanitizer and was stated that hand sanitizer was the preferred method over handwashing. Also noted that the students can access the washroom sinks.

Michelle suggested looking at other options at another time.

Cheryl is looking for low level books for learning centre students. Cheryl posed a formal request. Michelle put the motion on the table, opened the discussion and it was approved by all for \$65.00.

- Meeting Dates for the Year

October 26, 2020

November 23, 2020

January 25, 2021

February 22, 2021

April 26, 2021

March 29, 2021(will be a snow day date if other meetings are cancelled)

Michelle opened to remaining comments or concerns. There were none suggested.

- Meeting adjournment

Michelle adjourned the meeting at 7:24pm.

Next Meeting October 26, 2020

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Roy