

William King Elementary School

School Advisory Council (SAC)

Meeting minutes - February 27, 2024

Attendance: Catherine Bouliane, Heather Belen, Mary Stea, Jill Walker,

Regrets: Larry Goodsell

Observer: Eamon Murphy

Minutes: Jill Walker

Call to order: 6:02 pm

Approval of Agenda - Mary Stea

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New Business:

Tabled items:

- 1) Review of Letter to HRCE
- 2) Review of SAC Agreement & ByLaws

New Business:

New Enhanced SAC

- 1)Innovation Fund that provides grants up to \$10,000 to school SAC to support student well being and achievement
- 2)Need to understand the parameters of what this grant entails and see application forms/guidelines
- 3)No launch date provided

Standing Items:

- A) Principals Report
 - a. Enrollment Numbers February began with 15 new enrollments for 2024-2025 these were mostly Pre-Primary Students
 - b. Academically, G4's had the opportunity to go the pottery lab and created beautiful stained glass

- c. GP-2 had a presentation from Clean Foundations with Eddie the Litterless Cat. It was a fantastic presentation about respecting nature and not littering. All students were very engaged.
- d. February was focused on celebrating and honoring our African Nova Scotian Ancestors, each morning G5 leaders talked about famous African Nova Scotians and played the Black Honor Song. Various activities including writing biographies occurred throughout the month.
- e. In Operations, the school practiced another Lockdown where the students were very good and keeping quiet and hidden
- f. February was busy weatherwise, and the snow and ice has hung around. Lots of shoveling and clearing ice.
- g. Multiple windows in the building were fixed this month.
- h. In other news, students celebrated Valentine's Day in their classrooms
- i. Students were provided a Pancake, Yogurt and Fruit lunch put on by the Learning Centre staff
- j. Winter Week (March 4 8th) is approaching with fun activities planned
- k. March Break (March 11-15th
- I. In service Day (March 18)
- B) Student Success Plan & P-2 Reading Priority Initiative
 - a. P-2 doing very well
 - b. 3-4 are engaged in the UFLI adaptive reading and writing program to support them
 - c. 6's showed a lower level in their writing skills, will now transition the 4-5 in short cycles on enhanced writing programs
 - d. New Budget Request may be to bring Fountas & Pinnell Books levels M, N, O and P for the upper grades to work with
- C) Well Being
 - a. Staff is focused on taking a proactive awareness with students to have students feel safe with intentional conversations; bringing forth more conversations around race, discrimination and identity.
- D) Math
 - a. Expectations of continuing computation of fluency in math skills
- E) Treasurer's Report
 - a. Budget still in tact, ready to use
 - b. Healthy School Grant spending to date unknown at this time

Adjournment 7:03pm

The Next Meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 26, 2024 (Jill away on this date) however we will be putting out an online request to request participation in SAC to hopefully recruit more persons for the committee. We will review mid March to determine next steps (dates for meeting).