

Halifax Central Junior High School

SAC Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Present: Ann Jessome, Bryan Mrezar, Duane Malone, Laura Steele, Jack Baker, Isobel Cameron, Emerson Crick, Josie Boutilier, Clare Bilek, Robert MacMillan, and Jane Grantmyre.

Regrets: Jabu Deng, Kathleen Connolly, Kayleigh Dunphy, Kelly Mir.

Recorder: Mr. Mrezar.

Review and Approval of Minutes: The minutes of November 9, 2016 will be available for review at the next meeting.

Mr. MacMillan: Principal's Report

Exams in June are optional for teachers to deliver.

32 Chromebooks in a cart on first floor for ELA.

Improve Club running weekly.

Looking into possibility of entering students into a Track and Field meet.

Ms. Jessome: Teacher's Report

Dalhousie's Let's Talk Science Day: 12 Grade 8 students have chosen to participate in the Let's Talk Science challenge at Dalhousie university on May 2nd, 2017. The students will participate in trivia style activities as well as a building challenge.

NSCC Technology day: Mr. Legate taking some students to NSCC to participate in a technology day.

Student Teachers in Math and Science classes

Cookie grams sent and raised \$200.00 for Refugees Canada

GSA- Day of Silence coming up. Presentations given in Healthy Living classes.

Coffee house fundraiser for Home and School on April 27th

Math PLC groups participating in math competitions. The students are scoring very well in terms of their performance.

Megan Maddalena's last day April 13th. Erin Cossett to replace her.

Students' Report

An issue remains in the girl's changing room. The mirrors are too high to look into appropriately, and there are too few mirrors for the need.

The boy's changing room has an issue with the lights not being on when students first enter in the morning.

Student Success Planning

Not during WTR

Grade 9 Trip

Mr. Flinn in charge- Final payment April 13th

Chaperones- Mr. MacMillan, Mr. White, Mrs. MacDonald, Ms. Hunson, Mrs. Jessome

Celebration of Student Success

Discussion had regarding how best to proceed with celebrating student success in absence of Athletic awards.

No consensus reached as to SAC opinions.

School sports

Parents indicated interest in supporting/organizing/running school sports in following years. Questions remain about board policy and how this could be changed to allow participation from parents

Parent volunteers to be looked at for Friday lunchtime sports opportunities.

Mindfulness Initiative

Interest indicated for a guest speaker to discuss Mindfulness to Grade 9 students around exam time.

Grade 9 closing evening event:

Mr. Macmillan to give full report on this next meeting.

Future Meeting Dates- May 10th, June 14th

Meeting adjourned.