

SAC Year-End summary 2013/14

The Halifax Central Junior High School Advisory Committee had an extremely successful year. The committee consisted of 4 parents (one who acted as Chair); 3 staff members; 4 students (representing all grades) and the school Principal who was a non-voting member of the committee. The only group not represented was the community which has been identified as a priority for next year. The SAC held 6 meetings throughout the year.

At each meeting a Principal's Report, Teacher Report and Student Report were presented by the respective members to keep the membership updated on important events and concerns. From these discussions and in keeping with the Continuous School Improvement plan, the SAC was able to provide hangars and boot mats for all students to hang up their winter clothing; clocks in all the classrooms; hooks and shower curtains in the changerooms; and the gym floor was refinished and the windows overlooking the gymnasium were covered.

The SAC discussed the transparency of the committee and made it a priority to share all discussions with the wider school population by creating a tab on the school website. There was discussion of important school events including the Grade 9 trip; the year-end academic and athletic awards ceremonies; the school bell schedule as well as other events happening in the school.

Finally, the committee reviewed, updated and passed the SAC Letter of Agreement; two members of the SAC attended a joint SAC/School Board meeting to provide feedback and discuss the Board's Strategic plan; and the committee started to address and update the SAC Bylaws which will be finalized next year.

Respectfully submitted,

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SAC Chair