

**Ridgecliff Middle School**  
**SAC Minutes- February 8th, 2024**

Welcome & Introductions.

In attendance: G. White, J. Quinn, V. Dockendorff, S. Harvey, M. O'Neill, Daniel Bourque, Tasha Marshall, Cheryl Patterson (SAC chair), Community guests:

Call meeting to Order- Cheryl Patterson, SAC chair.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from Dec. 7th meeting- approved and can be found on the school's website.

Today's SAC Agenda- approved.

Action item from last meeting:

- Trauma Informed Practices & Presentations- SAC funding to support (approx \$2000-3000/school). Cost sharing with 4 other schools to bring in Madison Cameron (Youth Specialist) to speak about social media- includes 4 presentations. (May 9th, 2024).
  - *Motion passed to vote- D. Bourque. Ms. Marshall seconded it. All in favor- Unanimous.*
- Garbage in the community: Mr. White is looking for a solution to see who is responsible and who will be covering the cost for garbage cans around the school community/ school grounds and property. The cost given was \$1400 to install and maintain.
  - A spring clean up will also be held with our student community. Community members were asked to be notified when this will take place to help out.
  - With our students—Educational pieces in and around the school and will look to have a treaty component incorporated into the teachings.

**Cellphone feedback-**

Parents & SAC members are super happy about the cellphone policy at RMS. There has been observed improvement in the areas of focus and engagement during their learning/ instructional time; less distraction. Students are connecting with others face to face. Online social drama has decreased—improved mental health. We will continue to collect data.

Street data - Feedback from teachers. Mr. White shared data. Teachers noticed students talking more to each other and reduced distractions, time on task, student focus!

Next data collection- will be from students.

**Principal's Report-** (see attached)

**Website feedback (HRCE website feedback) to SAC-** SAC chair is collecting this information and will share with HRCE once compiled.

**AOB-** none.

## SAC Agenda Administration Report

### **Principal's Report**

Current Enrollment: 601

CTRI Possibility

Feedback Website

Cell Phone Update

Camera/Security System- *upgraded system.*

Photocopier- *new one to replace broken copier and we are getting an additional one for upstairs.*

Year End Planning

Grade 9 Transitions (Bayview) and Grade 5 Transitions (BLT)

### Coming Up

February 19: Heritage Day - No Classes

February 28, 2024: Student Showcase 6-7pm at RMS

Report Cards Home week of March 25

### Professional Development Days and Teacher Learning

April 4: ½ Day Professional Development

Mathematics Lead Team

Three Braids Anti Discrimination and Anti Racism Training for Principals and Vice Principals

### Athletics

Basketball: Boys Semi Final Game today

Commemoration over gym doors

### Garbage

Collaborating with HRM about waste receptacles around the building

### Emergency Management Plan

Lockdown drill next week

Revisiting EMP