

SAC Meeting Minutes ~ January 18th, 2023

- 5:00pm ~ Welcome & Introductions of new members
- Regrets
- Approval of last SAC meeting minutes- completed.
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Principal's report:

- Enrollment is up by 10 students since last meeting; 587 current enrollment.
- We continue to look at our space in the building as our numbers continue to grow; the supervisor was in to observe this week.
- School capacity- approximately 600 (will confirm).
- With increased enrollment, our staffing & support would be based on this.

Clubs. Basketball started; PEBS assembly tomorrow; a number of new clubs- drawing club, knitting club, speed cubing club, new fitness club, female intramurals,

- African Heritage Board at the entrance- thank you Ms. Wright
- Waterloo Math Competition (club) coming up.
- Grab n Go at recess and early morning grab n go. Requested additional funding for our breakfast club

Operations. Heat continues to be a challenge. Some areas are hot and some areas are cold.

Course selection updates for grade 9s. Admin & guidance will head to Bayview next week and will continue to be shared with Parents/Guardians. Halifax West will offer information sessions for parents/ students at Halifax West school.

Sharing of Dates.

- Feb. 23- gr9 students will head to Bayview for a tour and course selection.
- Feb. 24/28 - O2 interviews will take place these two days for any students interested.
- June 22- school is booked for a grade 9 closing dance/event. Parents are welcome to help support this event. We will discuss dates and what the closing ceremony will look like in the near future.
- February 15th- potential school dance/ event in the evening. Will share with students and parents once we confirm.
- June 8th grade 6-8 dance.
- Student showcase- March 8th; students will bring in parents to share their work and showcase this!
- March 13-17 March Break.
- Provincial Assessments dates- end of May, first of June.
- Math midterm for grades 7-9 will take place in February.

Ms. Wright, ANS Support Worker updates:

- ANS math team- will work with ANS students
- Black History Month challenge- will take place again this year. Takes place over Kahoot; semi finals in person.
- ANS Contest- students/ classrooms will choose an invention and research, present, and display their learnings.

- Grade 5 Basketball team- starting next week with Ms. Wright.
- ANS team meets frequently and pizza is offered.

SAC Question: date and ideas for grade 5 BLT students visiting/ parent session? Admin will coordinate with BLT schools and will share this information once confirmed.

Agreement/ Election.

Election/ Membership according to SAC bylaw and agreements- discussion and sharing of the role of SAC Chair. The SAC chair should be a member of the RMS SAC, but not an employee of HRCE.

- New chair appointment required. Leaves only 3 members from our SAC who are not an employee of the HRCE. Co-chair has been brought up as an idea. Cheryl has agreed to co-chair with Nadine until the end of the year. Next year we will have a call out for more community members and look to rewrite the bylaws.

Grade 9 Exams in June- English/ French Language Art & Mathematics exam only. Final cumulative assessments will take place for the remainder of grade 9 classes (up to individual teachers). Preparations for high school. Dates of exams: June 20th & June 21st, 2023.

AOB.

Input for HRCE's website shared with Nadine Titus-Smith. (hard to find information and HRCE's school calendar)

Next meeting March 8th 5-6pm before the student showcase.

Student Showcase will take place 6-8pm inside Ridgecliff classrooms. During this time, information regarding SAC will be shared for any interested parents!