**School Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes – November 18th, 2021**

1. **Attendance**

Crystal White – staff

Jenna Murphy - staff

Chris White – chair

Michelle Lamont - principal

Terra Crowe – parent member

Kayla Lambert – Regrets

Kim Scheelar – Regrets

Danica Branscombe – community member

1. **Review of Previous Meeting Minutes – November 18th, 2021 Meeting**

Terra motioned to pass minutes; Chris seconded

1. **Principal’s Update:**
	1. P-2 Literacy – 10/33 did not meet in February. This is great for guiding discussions, keeping us accountable and deciding next steps in supporting those teachers in literacy instruction (extra people reading with students, tier 1 supports – specialists in classrooms, etc.)
		1. Staff will focus on grade three student reading levels as a gap in learning was noticed.
	2. SSP (School Success Planning)
		1. Goal One: Well Being
		2. Goal Two: Math
		3. Strategies for the goals will be the focus of the professional development day on February 18, 2022
	3. PD for February 18, 2022 will focus on SSP and new resources made available through SAC and HRCE
	4. SAC funds purchased to date
		1. Some resources have been ordered but are currently on back order; therefore, the money has not been debited yet.
		2. Forty-four books have been identified for purchase. These books focus on Equity, specifically minorities
	5. Ancestry
		1. People are being asked to self-identify heritage on the information forms to ensure resources are made available, so that students are represented
	6. Equity Team
		1. Formally known as RCH
		2. Past model had a teacher trained to deal with an issue after the incident occurred. The new model will train a group of students and staff to make an equity team on how to cope and use proper language
		3. This will hopefully train students before a negative situation arises instead of dealing with it after the damage has been done.
		4. A trainer will come to observe daily routines in the school in order to understand the school climate and areas unique to the school
	7. Home Alone Program
		1. This is now offered through Schools Plus to grade five and six students.
		2. This will be completed during school hours
	8. GSA (Gender, Sexuality Alliance)
		1. This is considered a club and therefore offers flexibility for scheduling and length of program
		2. Terra Crowe ran the first meeting on February 17, 2022, in the gym. Twenty-one students participated
		3. Sessions will be held all year long. They will be biweekly to coincide with Terra’s schedule
		4. Commitment will be reevaluated after a few sessions to prevent burnout
		5. Danica asked if gender neutral bathrooms is an issue at school. Michelle has not received complaints, yet. But the school is looking at different options in the future
		6. Crystal inquired about information for teachers. Response: Michelle said that a huge number of resources has become available and will be distributed and discussed at PD day, February 18, 2022
	9. Enhanced Measures for COVID
		1. Only one change: Music is now allowing singing as long as students are masked and socially distanced
2. **SAC Funds:** Current funds available, $10, 876.22 (some money not debited yet due to backorder)
	1. Teachers will be made aware of a surplus of money carried over from previous years. They will be asked to supply ideas on how to purchase items that will allow better delivery of curriculum.
3. **Other business:**
	1. New outdoor basketball court to be installed this summer with standard and lowered nets to be subdivided into three sections
	2. Fencing is being installed behind nets to ensure no balls travel downhill to the road
	3. Chris mentioned improving the lighting in the front of the school
4. **Adjournment:** 7:25 pm

**Next Meeting:**

Thursday, April 7th, 2022 at 6:15 p.m., via Google