

SAC Meeting September 20th, 2022

Name	Role	Present	Regrets
Susan Casey	Principal	X	
Courtney Smith	Vice Principal	X	
Erin Paine	Staff	X	
Barb Bowers	Staff		X
Tricia Schmeisser	Staff, secretary	X	
Megan Chipp	Parent, co-chair	X	
Colleen Diggins	Parent, co-chair	X	
Kelli Crocker	Parent	X	
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Introduction and review of agenda

- Colleen called the meeting to order and the agenda was reviewed. Colleen added “Extra parent rep” to the agenda.
- Agenda was approved.
- Members introduced themselves.
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Minutes and Action Items

- Reviewed and approved the minutes from the May 2022 meeting.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

- No business arising from previous minutes

Annual Report

- A draft of the annual report was circulated to previous SAC members in June, 2022.
- This report was finalized over the summer.
- Megan went over the report. A copy of this report is posted on the RLE website.
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Student Success Planning/ Principal’s Report

Principals Report/ School Success Plan:

- School photos will be taken by Nova Scotia School Speciality this year on Oct. 5th & 6th
- They will provide additional supports during fundraising events if the school would like them to (eg. Photo booth).
- Susan will send out the updated school goals to committee members. The revised goals are less specific but there is more detail in the strategies that teachers are going to implement.
- The fact fluency program that the grade 5s were piloting last year has been rolled out to all grade 4-6 students in HRCE. Teachers are finding this year that students who did the program last year have maintained their skills over the summer.
- Erin explained her experience as a classroom teacher and how she can see that students are understanding math facts rather than just memorizing them.

- The literacy goal is really looking at digging deeper into comprehension.
- The school staff continues to be very dedicated to working on the school well-being goal. Erin stated that it is very exciting to see all the students making new friends and how well the school community is working together.
- Teachers are collecting data related to the goals every 6 weeks.

Boundaries/ New School

- There have been no updates on the new school and what the boundaries will be.
- Susan is meeting with the IT team next week to look at what technology should be ordered for the school
- If no information regarding the boundary review has been received by the next SAC meeting, the SAC will send an email asking what the process is and when it will begin.
- Kelli asked how we can make sure that the SAC is at the table for these boundary review discussions.
- Colleen stated that she is a part of a focus group for SACs and there has been a lot of discussion around boundary reviews and over-crowding.
- Susan will ask her supervisor that each SAC in the area have a representative on the boundary review committee.

New Business

Parent Lunch Organization

- There is a group of parents who are willing to look into the organization of lunch being ordered and brought into the school.
- There was some discussion about the amount of garbage that may be created by bringing in lunch.
- This program would have to be completely run by parents. Staff would not be available to hand out the lunches or collect order forms or find out where lost lunches are.
- Colleen will let the parents interested in looking into this that they should provide a detailed proposal to administration and that the SAC will not be involved.

SAC Membership (Adding an additional parent)

- The membership has agreed that the RLE SAC by-laws should be amended this year to include an additional seat at the table for Sidah. He had previously been on the SAC as a community member, but now has a child at the school.
- Membership agreed to amend the by-laws for the year to include an additional parent position.

SAC Budget

- Money for the SAC has not yet been deposited into the school bank account but principals have been told that they will again receive \$5000 plus \$1 for each student at their school. This will be approximately \$5500 for RLE.
- Megan went over the application process so that staff can receive access to SAC funds.
- Some applications have already been received and will be forwarded to SAC members to approve or decline.

Next Meeting: Oct. 18th, 2022 @ 6:30pm