

SQ SAC Minutes

October 26, 2015

Welcome – Dominic Nelson- Gr. 6 rep, Nancy, Linda Williams, Lauren Inglis ,Gr. 7 rep;Terry Stewart, Sonya Cook, Sheree Chandler, Deborah Raddall, Linda Evans, Natalie McMaster, Ashton Gallant Gr. 8- regrets: RJ - absent;

- *Old minutes: Name change for Stacy Thorburn from Shelly.*
- *Minutes Approved.*

Old Business –

1) Common SAC meeting feedback:

-Common SAC Meeting- Reading material; Needed for the catchment review policy. Not an issue thus far for our schools. No answers yet about the new highway in Port Mouton affecting the students living in that area.

- ***all material is on the site - school review policy, catchment area, space and capacity etc...***

2) SQ Communication with Families:

- ***emails thus far - early dismissal days, school clothing, reminder emails!!***
- ***Ruth is in charge of updating the website.***
- ***How do we direct people to our website. Cue people on the Facebook page to check website.***
- ***Sports and extra curricular alerts***

3) Outdoor Space Ideas:

-Will speak to the staff regarding this area. Terry will place it on the agenda for next meeting. Swings and other equipment for students. Need fundraising funds for this as well.

- ***donation jar for playground: Need a plan before going to community. We will revisit at next meeting.***

4) SQ School Fundraiser :

- ***December 10, 2015 is the day - First meeting Nov. 5th at 6:30pm for planning.***
- ***Nancy will make a old fashioned Santa for the auction.***

5) SAC Student Alternate :

- ***Will look at replacing Ashton when he is unable to attend.***

New Business -

1) Tell Them from Me data:

- ***comparing schools nationally and locally.***
- ***Goals: improvement in student instruction /achievement, remove barriers for safe and healthy environment, strengthen partnership and community engagement.***
- ***Compares the boards and our school.***

- ***SQMS: Intellectual Engagement: 65% where 53% is National Average and 45% for 2012/13.***
 - ***Teacher/student Relationship: 2012/13- 54% to 67% in 2014/15***
 - ***Students Rel'ships with Peers: 2012/13- 75% to 2014/15- 72%***
 - ***Overall the results were good - a great deal of changes over the last three years- new building, new grade level.***
 - ***Bullying 38% down to 31%***
 - ***Safety: 78% down to 57%- for the better***
 - ***Advocates: 27% to 32%***
 - ***Teacher- student rel'ship: 54% to 67%***
 - ***Positive Learning Environment; 52%- 63%***
 - ***Expectations for Success: 65% to 77%***
 - ***Numbers are way up from parents Parent Engagement:***
 - ***2013/14: 909 14/15; 1742***
 - ***Can we share with Parents? On website put a link? Terry will look into sharing.***
- 2) ***CSI Plan:***
- ***Goal 3 - We are to review the specifics of the wording on Goal 3. The goal is too broad and we need measurement.***
- 3) ***SSRSB Draft Policies:***
- ***what procedures are done to make policy. On board website.***
- 4) ***Provincial Homework Policy :***
- ***Copies are on Board Website: No learning of new outcomes at home!***
- 5) ***Provincial Code of Conduct:***
- ***on board website; streamlined - giving discipline power from 5 days to 10 days suspension.***
- 6) ***Others:***
- ***Fans: Efficiency - Andy Selig will - We are a Leading school - Terry and I will follow up.***

Resources:

Homework Policy: https://www.ednet.ns.ca/files/policy-documents/homework_policy.pdf

Code of Conduct:

<http://nqcs.ednet.ns.ca/sites/default/files/Provincial%20School%20Code%20of%20Conduct%20Policy%20%28July10.15%29.pdf>

Principals Report:

No Time for That! SQ Presentation: **Really good and assembly was good**

- **empowerment? Spencer West - good for High School.**

Sports: Cross Country, Soccer, Volleyball, Skateboard & Intramurals: **Lots going on and kids are doing well**

Clubs: Art Club, Yearbook, DJ

Activities: Yoga, Girls Self Defense, Fall Fest

Terry Fox (\$1400)
Grade 7 Immunization

Next Presentation: Maritime Centre for African Dance : November 24th - 1 hour
each grade level.

Next Meeting: November 30th.