**AGENDA**

**Halifax Central Junior High**



**SAC Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 15, 2024**

**6:00pm-7:00pm**

**In Attendance**: Andrew Bray (Principal), Clare Bilek (Chair), Pheilm Martin (Staff Rep), Maggie O’Neil, Marla Hall, Macarena Torres

**Regrets:** Lorelei Burgess (Community Rep), Kathleen Martin (Parent Rep)

1. **Approval of Agenda**
2. **Election of New SAC Members**

The official voting membership of SAC is comprised of 3 parent reps, 2 staff, up to 3 community members, and up to 6 students (up to 2 per grade). Clare Bilek and Kathleen Martin are in the second year of two-year terms, so there is one parent spot open. Macarena Torres put her name forward and was acclaimed by those present.

Pheilm Martin is one of the staff representatives. There is one staff spot open.

Lorelei Burgess agreed to continue as a Community Representative. There was discussion about identifying potential additional Community Representatives.

Andrew Bray is identifying potential student representatives and will bring forward names at the next meeting.

1. **Election of Executive**

Clare Bilek continues as Chair for the second and final year of her term. The Secretary and Vice-Chair positions remain open. This election was deferred to the next meeting.

1. **Chair’s Report**

Clare provided a summary of the Provincial SAC Professional Development Conference she attended on September 30. The Minister of Education spoke, highlighting the positive rollout of the new provincial Cell Phone Policy, the introduction of the new school lunch program, and the ongoing consultation about the Student Code of Conduct. She reported on ideas received from other schools about how they spent their SAC funds and projects undertaken by other schools who successfully received Innovation Funds.

1. **Principal’s Report**

Andrew Bray reported that staff undertook a data review at the recent PD day. 25% of students at Central are not meeting expectations at various subjects, this is a good result as compared to other schools but needs improving. He also explained the staff’s approach to short cycle planning. He advised that 36-40 students out of 147 are on IPPs or adaptations. There was also discussion about student safety in response to the Auditor General’s report on violence in schools.

1. **Adjournment**