

May 5 2026

In Attendance

Rob Huntley, Chair
Brenda Vaughan, VP
Brendan McDorman, community member
Hugo, Grade 7 rep
Gwen, Grade 8 rep
Mike Bunin, Principal
Chloe Kline, Secretary
Krista Ritchie, Vice Chair
Charlie, Grade 9 student rep

Regrets

Lorelei Burgess, community member
Erica Baker, parent
Bridget, Grade 9 rep
Pheilm Martin, teacher rep?

Notes

Hugo motions to start the meeting
Brendan seconds: Meeting comes to order
Agenda is approved

Notes from last meeting approved
(Motioned by Hugo, seconded by Brendan)

Chair's Report:

- Very little going on in the SAC world. March was the last newsletter, they don't plan to produce another one.
- Innovation Funding and conference funding cut from last year
- Rob asked about the future of SAC, whether there will be funding. The answer was inconclusive. We will get guidelines for annual report this month, but no other assurance or direction for next year.
- Generally not taking on a lot of initiatives now, but we will talk about how to use the funds we have for the rest of the year.
- Next meeting we will take on annual report

Principal's Report

- Student Success Planning goals for cycle 3 *(to be added in later)*
 - *Literacy: common goals across subjects*
 - *Math: safe space, incorporating tickets*
 - *Wellbeing: on time arrival*

- School Events
 - flag rugby team won tournament
 - Flag football team won tournament
 - 50 students went to Addams Family musical at Citadel
 - 16 grade 9 students went to empowerment leadership conference
 - Girls flag football
 - Next week fire drill
 - May 13: Neptune's Sparkle and Shine workshops with grade 7 ELA classes
 - May 15: Black excellence day
 - May 18 no classes
 - May 21 grade 6 parent orientation
 - End of May preparing for provincial assessments
 - June 3 hosting a parent guardian night: NS Unplugged
- School Updates
 - Received class configurations for next year - 2 grade 7s, 53 students
 - 2 grade 8 classes of 49 students
 - 3 grade 9 classes, 65 students
 - Staffing and teaching positions for next year will be looked at soon
 - Principal Bunin has accepted permanent Principal position

Student Reports

Bridget and Charlie are working on some end of year grade 9 activities, slideshows, etc. Working with Miss Clark.

Teacher Report

Nothing new to report. Exams approaching. This is a shift for students, partly due to changes during COVID.

Funding item:

- Basketball Pad: School has requested a quote for a basketball pad to be placed in the front courtyard (in the recessed area to the right. 15x20 pad with a hoop). Also have to remove bike racks, cover windows.
 - Home and School has been raising some funds for outdoor activities.
 - Overall cost (25K) wouldn't be fully covered by Home and School funds.
 - Another activity grant of around 5K could help.
 - There's a shortfall of about 3K. Applied for grant through municipal counselor (community voting process).
 - If some funds don't come through, may ask SAC to designate some funds for this.

Traffic/Safety item:

- No longer a crossing guard on Oxford at Tupper. May be a staffing issue
- There is now a crossing guard at Alexandria's Cafe on Quinpool
- Check with Tupper, HRCE (Shawn Cleary is the MLA)

- Scooters and e-bikes are out, there have been several close calls
- School getting many calls from community members
- Principal Bunin spoke with compliance officer, there's nothing in place to issue citations, etc for scooters or e-bikes.
- May be worth talking to Shawn Cleary about parking regulations (one side parking?)

Hugo motions to close

Brendan seconds

Meeting is adjourned