

SAC MEETING SUMMARY
Halifax Central Junior High School
Wednesday, September 29, 2021 6pm

1. **Attendance (via zoom)**: Valerie Meers (Principal), Erica Phillips (Vice Principal), Clare Bilek (Chair), Pheilm Martin (Staff Rep), Lorelei Burgess (Community Rep), Janine Meade (parent);
Regrets: Kelly Bower, Jennie Colburn
2. **Approval of Agenda**: As we did not have quorum, no official business was conducted.
3. **Approval of minutes**: Will carry forward to next meeting to approve April Meeting Summary.
4. **Election of Executive**- Will carry forward to October meeting
5. **Principal's Report**: (presented by Val Meers)
 - School Photography contract- reviewed three submissions, chose Adams Photography;
 - SAC Funds – Purchased pots and utensils for food lab instead of replacing fridge that was able to be repaired. There is \$684.23 remaining from the 2020/21 budget;
 - Insurance Claim for damage to book room (total damage \$30k) is closing mid-November. School will be receiving books from Tattletales.
 - Lorelei offered books from her business;
 - Curriculum presentation for parents (rather than in-person Curriculum Night) was send September 15;
 - Discussion of Indigenous initiatives by teachers in classes in preparation for National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on September 30;
 - Discussion of math goals for Grade 8;
 - Literacy coach contract for the school has been extended this year, and the math coach has been extended into mid-October;
 - Capital request for exterior painting of building was submitted.
6. **Staff Report**: Mr. Martin discussed the new course he is teaching, Explore Music, and there may be a need to purchase guitars. Ms. Phillips suggested possibility of borrowing from Sir Charles Tupper.
7. **Student's Report**: None presented.
8. **New Business**: The new bell schedule was discussed, in particular the lack of crossing guard coverage to assist our students now that our bell schedule does

not align with the neighbouring elementary schools. HRP does not have budget to pay crossing guards to cross junior high students. Clare, Janine and Lorelei will discuss possibility of going to media regarding safety concerns.

9. **Next meeting:** October 27, 2021, 6pm

10. **Adjournment**