

**School Advisory Council Agenda**  
**Sackville Heights Elementary School**  
**October 17, 2023**

**1. Call to order**

- Time: 5:33pm
- In attendance: Cory Murphy, Jennifer Stearns, Laura Purdy, Holly Clarke, Dallas McDonald, Jane Harley, Lisa Grey
- Regrets: Rachael Webster, Kyla d'Eon

**2. Approval of agenda**

- Approved by: Laura Purdy
- Seconded by: Cory Murphy

**3. Approval of previous minutes**

- Approved by: Jennifer Stearns
- Seconded by: Laura Purdy

**4. Principal's report**

**School Update**

- We currently have 521 students (increase of 5 from September, 4 more to start next week)
- New custodial staff
- The last of the modular deficiencies being addressed this week on night shift

**What's Happened**

- Lockdown, hold and secure drill
- Orange Shirt Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day
- Picture Day with our new vendor. Conducted over 2 days, rather than 1 as in previous years. Things went very smooth, lots of good feedback from families about quality of photos. Retakes will happen on November 2.
- Terry Fox walk/run/ride. We raised \$410 in donations
- Bus evacuation drills. Older students were paired with younger, and all went well.
- We have mice, as all schools do. No mice in food, but will be re-examining how things are stored and organized. Rentokil contracted to do pest control over the weekend when students and staff are not present.

**What's Coming Up**

- Assessment and Evaluation Day on November 17. No School.
- Parent/Teacher conversations on November 27. No School.
- Halloween. All classes are able to participate in the afternoon.
- Remembrance Day. We need to think differently about this due to the number of students who have come from war-torn countries

- Book fair in November

### **SSP**

- P-2 reading initiative: UFLI and phonemic awareness (literacy coach has worked with 9 classes)
- Math: fact fluency (math coach has worked with 6 classes). We have had Mr. Little since September, and he will be leaving soon. The children have enjoyed him very much.
- Goals in literacy and math.
  - i. Literacy Goal: Students will demonstrate improvement in reading.
  - ii. Math Goal: Students will demonstrate improvement in mathematics.
  - iii. Wellness Goal: We will improve student well-being at our school.
- Maker space is now accessible to students.

## **5. New business**

### **Bylaws and membership**

- Memberships and terms reviewed
- Voting occurred, all positions were voted unanimously. Voting members are:
  - i. Rachael Webster, Principal
  - ii. Lisa Gray, Vice Principal/Staff
  - iii. Jane Harley, Chair/Parent
  - iv. Holly Clarke, Parent
  - v. Kyla d'Eon, Parent
  - vi. Dallas McDonald, Parent
  - vii. Cory Murphy, Parent
  - viii. Jennifer Stearns, Staff
  - ix. Renee Parsons, Staff
  - x. Laura Purdy, Staff
- We have space for up to 4 community members. We need to reach out to community to seek additional voices, especially because of our school's continued growth. Suggest reaching out to the church across from school, Lucasville Community Centre, possibly grandparents/extended families of students. Suggesting doing some informal outreach now, larger push in new year with flyers, etc.

## **6. Next meeting**

- November 21, 2023

## **7. Adjournment**

- Time: 6:17pm