School Advisory Council Minutes

<u>Date:</u> January 22, 2025

Prospect Road Elementary School

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Discussion Items	Time: 6:00PM AST. In Attendance: Kattie Misener, Cara Martin, Kim Michaud, Susan Sullivan, Sara Burdett, Jessica Morrissey Regrets: Shirley Beth McNeil, Emily Roeding, Malena Matthews, Kelly Carlton
Call to order	6:02PM AST.
Approval of agenda	Approved by: Jessica Morrisey Seconded by: Sara Burdett
Approval of previous meeting minutes	Approved by: Kattie Misener Seconded by: Susan Sullivan
Business arising from the meeting minutes	
School Events	 Hot breakfast 2x per month. Next ones are planned as follows: January 31st (English muffins and jam), February 14th (strawberry smoothies). Winter Bingo - Kid themed in the gym. Tables are secured. Variety show, Wednesday 19th February Multicultural fair in March Arts fair in April
Student Success Plan Update / Principal's Report	Math and Literacy update - student progress Literacy: Primary-3 class information has been updated. 127/147 students are meeting or approaching where they should be.

Math: Primary-3 December report cards show 100/109 developing as expected or well developed. The remaining is the ones that should receive extra support

Math: Grades 4-5 based on December report cards. 73/87 students are developing as expected or well developed. In math they have resource and math modeling for the teacher support.

Supports that teachers are receiving:

- UDL universal design for learning: Teachers are following and learning from Katie Novak design for teaching.
- Improving writing put out by HRC. What to focus on in class.
- If/Then resource.
- For grade 3/4s Lessons learned documents put out by the province, this is in response to grade 3 assessments. Lessons learned are the areas to focus on gaps in learning.
- Grade primary 2 Have decodable readers with indigenous themes.
- Grade 2-5 teachers will do math fluency program showing math fluency importance in higher grades. Math fluency = not memorizing, but understanding why.

New Business

Requests:

- Grade 3/4 requesting \$100 for a classroom subscription to a learning website? Twinkle Website math and literacy.
- Music Club requesting recorders ~\$300
- SAC considering Friendship Benches ~\$500 for 2

Holiday Concert

Happy with improved seating, as some adjustments were made to the seat ties. Some issues reported with volume.

Innovation Grant

Starting to spend the funds. Should have a good idea of spending for next meeting.

Cookbooks

Consider sending out information to parents to start collecting recipes. Consider using google form to have people help and easily submit. The costs of cookbooks will be double checked.

Concerts at BJHS

Could use cafeteria to gather before going on the stage.

Additional considerations: Concerns about daytime disruptions. Would

	there be enough space for all grades to be within one showing? Or still do a daytime showing?
Special Reports and/or Presentations	
Policy Input	
SAC Grant Spending	Planning use of The SAC Innovation Fund \$10,000: welcome space includes all cultures • Turn the courtyard into a learning and eating space where children and families can gather. Table and bench sets, window boxes, pea stone, sunshade, mulch, canopy hardware, metal shed, 3 sensory paths indigenous, math and literacy themed • Greenhouse, hire a hen program to lay chickens, art mural cultural representative • Bathroom stalls – positive messages and images • Estimated cost ~\$9959 of listed items and money must be spent by June 2025. • Consider mini committees to handle, and messages out to community ask for occasional help To date: Decals and shed bought, to order tables and benches and greenhouse. Plan to have most spending done prior to next meeting. Susan, Kattie and Sara will install decals. Won't do the hire a hen program.
	SAC grant remaining funds ~\$900: Grade 3/4 requesting \$100 for a classroom subscription to a learning website? Twinkle Website – math and literacy. Was used last year. Music Club requesting recorders ~\$300 SAC considering Friendship Benches ~\$500 for 2 These provide a safe place to sit when seeking a friend. (would not be under the innovation grant as was not pre-approved under this program). Will ensure to differentiate bench. A hold on the request for the Music Club recorders was placed. Unanimous voted: Approved Twinkle website subscription & Friendship bench. ~\$600. Remaining ~\$300.

Additional Agenda Items Added:	
Next Meeting	March 5, 2025. 6:00PM AST.
Adjournment	6:54PM ADT.