

School Advisory Council Minutes

May.25, 2023

Prospect Road Elementary School

Discussion Items	Time: In Attendance: Malena, Kim, Jessica, Cara, Ashley, Emily, Kelly Regrets: Kattie, Shirley Beth, Jennine
Call to order	6:05
Approval of agenda	Approved by: Ashley Seconded by: Jessica
Approval of previous meeting minutes	Approved by: Kelly Seconded by: Cara
Business arising from the meeting minutes	Teacher Appreciation- will touch base in a few weeks. Postpone for now. School Photographer - Adams Photography, 1 Year Contract -unanimous vote yes
School Events	<u>Variety Show</u> - a big success. Brought the kids together. It was a chance to show a variety of talents for kids, especially those who do not always shine in some scholarly areas. <u>Up With Gaelic</u> -Came to PRES last week. It was a chance to bring more culture into the school. <u>Volunteer Tea</u> - full school invite. A couple classes will perform songs and poems. It will take place in the library. <u>Wontanara</u> - African Drumming and Dance- coming up. Organized through the West. ½ hour at a time to have individualized times with classes.



Art Specialist with an Indigenous Focus - June 12-23-

Melissa McCulloch

- 7 Sacred Teachings
- Medicine Wheel
- Dreamcatchers

Primary Orientation- will go ahead. Waiting a few more weeks to see what routines are happening at the time. Suggestion- A date will be set. If they are in the school they will just come down the hall and if not, parents can drop off. Will share with the community as a “Save the Date” with more information to follow.

Grade 5 Closing- June 28-parents to come. Students will MC. Will create a photo area. Suggestion- have 4s host treats?

Schools plus is offering a program called “**Leveled Up**”- to support students moving into junior high during the summer.

2024 Spring Fling - June.1st or 8th- suggestion to go ahead with 8th. Instead of BBQ do a food truck.

Roll on 2 chimney is a leader in the food truck community- connect with her early about going ahead to support a food truck event with the spring fling

Student Success Plan Update / Principal’s Report

Grade 3 Provincial Literacy and Math Assessment- mailed back to the province- Done over 4 days. Students did well in terms of their well being since testing is not done in this style typically.

Literacy, Math and Well-Being

Literacy- discussed in more details prior meeting

Math fluency was discussed last time in detail. To add, math running records are something that is now happening. Goal is to gather similar information as a literacy running record.

Well being- looking into specific, attainable things to support students mental health and well being.

Currently-


Fruit delivery Wednesday during virtual announcements.

Rockets team- leading morning announcements sharing important topics in kid friendly language.

Lunch bunch- student leaders in classrooms

Goals going forward:

	<p>-Organize workshops for students- looking to partner with LWK and school psychologist (anxiety, stress management, social media, peer relationships)</p> <p>-Have a parent night on how to support students as a team.</p> <p>-School psychologist to work with 4s and 5s to help teach self regulation skills targeting specific areas to support (regulating emotions, monitoring our own behaviors, persevering, planning ahead, inhibiting impulses, organizing time and space, setting priorities, delaying gratification)</p> <p>Suggestion came up for staff- wonder about going forward with supporting wellness of staff.</p> <p>It was shared that staff did use Provincial Grant funding, allowing for substitute relief time during which staff could access online supports for supporting their own mental health, as well as for teaching about mental health: Teach Mental Health Mental Health Literacy Resource . Mental Health and Wellbeing Choice Boards 2022. More Mental Health and Wellness Resources from Schools</p>
New Business	<p>Annual SAC Survey 2022-2023</p> <p>The Role of the SAC-Current SAC to go over for next year. New members will have a chance to review in the fall. Will show at the 1st meeting of next year.</p> <p>School Advisory Councils Education and Early Childhood Development (ednet.ns.ca)</p> <p>The Role of the School Advisory Council Meetings - YouTube</p> <p>The Role of the School Advisory Council - Membership - YouTube</p>
Special Reports and/or Presentations	N/A
Policy Input	N/A
SAC Grant Spending	<p>Funds spent 22/23 school year:</p> <p>\$968.78 Nelson: PM Leveled Books Lower Elementary (P-2)</p>

	<p>\$476.70 Scholastic: Instant Classroom Library Grade 3-4</p> <p>\$359.94 Eaglecrest Books: 50 Indigenous Titles Lower Elementary</p> <p>\$358.52 Expanding Expression Tool: Multi-sensory organizational tool that is used to support oral and written language development.</p>  <p>Tool goes along with teaching oral language development. Used in P-3</p> <p>\$2750 Class Trips (10 classes x \$275)</p>
<p>Additional Agenda Items Added:</p>	<p>Garden- 2 more beds to be built. Planting will begin in the next couple week when it starts to get warmer. Communication will go out to the community to explain that during the summer it can be harvested for the community to have.</p> <p>Courtyard- some beds here need to be fixed. Volunteers will come to fix these as well.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>6:56</p>