

Southview Public School

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday June 18th, 2025

Attendees: Amanda Morrison, Jen Feeley, Rob Wengel, Krista Smith, Jayme Shelley, Amy Kennedy-York, Stephanie Cropper, Carmen Bichsel, Melissa Meisner, Greg Seiveright, Jen Cole, Andrea Manley, Jen O'Neil, *Special Guest- John Ricci*

Regrets: Jenny Morris, Nicole Bos

- I. **Call to Order:** 6pm
- II. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved.
- III. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved (informally, no agenda provided, following similar format from previous meetings)

- IV. **Principal's Report: Greg Seiveright**
 - Welcome to John Ricci- New Principal coming from Sagonaska Demonstration School in Belleville (He is happy to be here; in attendance today)
 - Bulk of staffing done for September; there are a number of staff leaving and some returning from maternity leave:
 - o Leaving: Mrs. Henry, Ms. Michaud, Ms. Boutilier, Mme Madden, Mme Condlin-Pratt, Ms. Ohlke, Mme Harrod
 - o In-coming/Returning: Ms. Carr, Ms. Chapman, Ms. Martin, Mme St. Laurent, Mme Bullock, Mme Coulter and Ms. Chomitz
 - Tentative organization will be sent out Friday June 20th
 - Toured the grounds with Facilities management regarding outdoor classroom (will come back- most outdoor classrooms \$25000-\$45000; main location that was liked was near the paved ramp and the 2 soccer fields (dig it into the hill)- to come back with sketches or potentially in the Lynx Den (potential to be built next year)
 - Thanked the School counsel for the last 3 years

- V. **Teacher Representative's Report: Amy Kennedy-York**
 - Last minute request for funds: Intensive Support Teacher was looking at the sensory room and she would like to "spruce" it up; put in a proposal (book shelf, sensory books, lighting options, building a tactile frame wall-> requested \$500
 - Heartfelt thank you from staff and students: bringing in activities, funds (flexibly seating, craft supplies, field trips-Sandy Pines, incubators to hatch chicks and ducks, hot-lunch and milkshakes/treats , Carnival, Breakfast Programs, science and energy unit, end of year celebrations)and leadership activities for grade 8's
 - Shared the Book of Awesome (copy provided to SAC; SAC to donate it to the Library.

- VI. **Officer's Reports: Chair/Vice Chair**
 - Junk in the Trunk- \$90; Thinking of doing another one in late September. Run it more consistently to gain some traction. Tentatively September 27th.

- Post Meeting Discussion: potentially create a SAC award for an outgoing Grade 8 student at graduation next year; will defer to September.

VII. Treasurer's Report:

- Brenda was off sick, so unable to provide an update to Rob; will defer.
- Discussion about creating our own spreadsheet to track the success of the various fundraisers; defer to September.

VIII. Indigenous Families Rep Report:

- Funds request for next year
- Metis artist for K-6 was quite successful.
- Andrea to think about a certain amount for ongoing planning of future activities- defer to September

IX. Coordinator Reports-Fundraising:

- Shout out to the volunteers
- Carnival: \$1595; reimbursed over \$700, Total spent \$815
- Touch the Truck (was a great addition)
- Did a review of the funds spent- what did we bring in vs. what we spent (“what worked for us?”)
 - Most successful- Wreaths and planters, Halloween dance, Hot lunch
 - We had a lot of big expenses (\$6000 went directly to classroom support)
 - ? Frontload fundraiser efforts before Christmas, post-Christmas events raised less money.
 - ? Pivot the Craft Sale to more of a donations-based program vs. vendors; further discussion in September.

X. Funds Request/Voting Items:

- Ongoing funding for “Book of Awesome” -deferred- September
- Extra Pizza funded by SAC (Month of September)-**Approved**
- Indigenous Event Funds- deferred- September
- \$5 per student - **Approved**
- \$500 for grad- **Approved**
- LDSB Grant (\$500 per year)- deferred- September
- Mr. D outdoor equipment (\$750)- **Approved**
- Lump Sum to the French department (\$500)- **Approved**

XI. New Business:

- Thank you to Greg for his contribution to SAC and the school community- with his leadership SAC has been able to support: trees, jerseys, bike rack, new track, air conditioning, outdoor classroom (in the works), Math night, etc.

XII. Adjournment: 7:31pm

- Next meeting dates: Thursday September 25th (after the open house)