

École St. Catherine's School SAC Meeting Minutes



Date: October 12, 2022

In Attendance via Zoom: Rosie Bona, Ingrid Reyes, Tameika Kim, Tina Roberts-Jeffers, Sarah MacDonald, Erin Collinson, Ian MacRae, Denise Friars, Ute Fieldler and Yvonne Mackie.

Regrets: Nicole Rosenow-Redhead

Public Members:

Item	Discussion Point
1. Call to Order	Call to order at 5:00 pm
2. Approval of Agenda	Agenda was approved by Sarah MacDonald, seconded by Ingrid Reyes.
3. Approval of minutes	Minutes of last meeting were approved May 12 th by Sarah MacDonald and seconded by Erin Collinson
4. Business Arising from last minutes	No arising business
5. Correspondence	No correspondence
6. New Business	<p>Membership update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Tameika Kim (Community member) 3 years served • Vice Chair: Tina Roberts (Parent) 7 years served • Secretary: Erin Collinson (Teacher) 2 years served • Denise Friars (Teacher) 5 years served • Ingrid Reyes (Staff member) 4 years served • Sarah MacDonald (community member) 2 years served • Ute Fieldler (Parent) 5 years served • Ian MacRae (Administration) 3 years served • Rosie Bona (Administration) 9 years served <p>We still require one more community member to serve on the SAC.</p> <p>SSP Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have the same goals as the Regional Center and the Province. For the first two days of school, Teachers talked and collaborated around Mathematics and Literacy goals.

- As with last year, the goal is for all Grade 2 students to be reading at bench mark level by the end of the year. To monitor progress, teachers input data regularly, indicating if students are meeting or not meeting levels and expected reading behaviors. This year, the template for which teachers use to input data has been revised and updated by the Regional Center. Teachers are able to access their class only, while administration can see all the students at their school. Supervisors can see data for their family of schools and the regional center can see data for all students in the center. This year teachers enter student's reading level with accuracy, fluency and comprehension rates.
- A great tool that the Regional Center has updated in the past year is the Teaching and Learning links. It is a website that contains ideas for teaching to help improve their practice with literacy instruction, for example videos and resources to help guided reading and running records.
- Teachers also talked about the new format for Teacher Professional Growth plans and the six Teaching Standards that now make up the growth plan document along with Evaluation template. Staff had conversations surrounding the new growth plans and the six teaching standards and participated in a self-assessment. Rosie Bona attended Professional Development to learn about the new data base for the Professional Growth Plans. Permanent Teachers are evaluated using the new document every three years while term teachers are evaluated every year. The evaluation process continues to include classroom visits, post visit conversations and end of the year evaluation report/summary. There were many schools that piloted this program last year. All schools in the Regional Center are now engaged in this process.
- For mathematics, Grades 3-6 are working on computational math and those teachers received Professional Development in September.
- Grade 1-2 French Immersion have received Professional Development surrounding the Neurolinguistic Approach to help support literacy and language development in their classrooms.
- The Grade 3 Provincial assessment results from last spring have been reviewed and are being sent home to families the week of the 17th.

- The Grade 6 English and French students will be writing their Provincial Assessments this month. Both streams write Language Arts and Mathematics.

Principal's Report (Rosie Bona)

Building update

- Many clubs and teams have started up again. Soccer intramurals on Thursdays, Cross country team for Grades 4-6s, Cheer Club for Grades 4-6s.
- Harvest Lunch will take place on October 20th in the Gym. Students will eat a pasta meal together that contains veggies from our school garden. Some veggies have been donated. Grades 4-5 are helping to prepare the lunch.
- Grade 6s will host the Halloween Dance this year on the 27th of October.
- Art Specialists, provided through supplementary funding, Rosie Bona has applied to have an African and an Indigenous art specialist to come to St. Catherine's to create projects with our students. Cindy Cain the African Art specialist has approved our application and will come to work with classes to create an art project.

Ian MacRae's Update:

- Cheer club was inspired by students and this is so great because this club has reached students that do not participate in other sports, clubs. Cheer club is led by Mme Arsenault and Mme Allan both of which have experience.
- A six week soccer program has begun on Tuesdays led by Ignite Soccer.
- Lunch monitors- we are lucky to have many new monitors this year.
- Zones- the plan is to move away from zones at lunch for Grades 3-6s. Grades P-2 will follow suit. For recess, zones continue to be helpful for supervision. There are three steps for students to take if they wish to visit another zone.
1. Ask politely 2. Letting the duty teacher know where they are going 3. Being accountable to return to your zone for entry.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are interested in creating a Chess Club and would love to have some parent volunteers run this club. • Back playground- there have been some issues with the swings. The middle support pole seems to break. The city has been called to come and fix the issue. They arrive October 12th. <p>Denise Friars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rainbow club will be headed by Denise Friars our School Counsellor. The club is an Elementary Gay, Straight Alliance club for Grades 5 and 6. It will promote supporting inclusion and each other as well as safe spaces within our school. Social justice issues will be discussed as well as healthy relationships and anti-bullying to name a few.
8. Adjournment and Next Meeting	<p>Next meeting will be held on Wednesday November 9th at 5pm via Zoom.</p> <p>Thank you for your time!</p>