

# **SAC School Advisory Council**

Minutes: October 1, 2014

## **Present at the meeting:**

Todd Leader  
Randy Boudreau  
Lisa Zwicker  
Bob Williamson  
Cheryl Avery-William  
Sarah Cann  
Nick Bennett  
Agnes Greer  
Trina Canavan  
Randy Pulsifer  
Nancy Martin  
Pascale Chambon-Dias

## **Regret were received from:**

Shawna Stanhope  
Cst. Jenelle Crocker

### **1. Introductions**

### **2. Membership Check for school year.**

- a. Parents, administration and teachers will remain as for 2014-2015 school year.
- b. We have two new co-presidents from student council.
- c. Cst. Jenelle Crocker may join us at any time and will be particularly invited for the next meeting to discuss specific subjects.
- d. Bob will send Todd information re Rosemary Fields who is interested in joining the Council.

### **3. Planning for the year**

- a. Agnes and Randy remain in contact with the DOE to advocate for SJA re. School Trades Skills.
- b. Randy P. wants to control speed in parking lot. Is there a need for speed bumps or Jersey barriers.
  - i. Gary Adams (Senior Staff Advisor HRSB) is aware of the situation.
  - ii. Bob suggests radars and/or video cameras.
  - iii. Could we get help from others: Randy P. plans to contact a civil engineer. Todd will contact SMU and Bob will contact RCMP.
- c. Email instead of phone calls to inform parents on what is happening in our school.
  - i. There will be a new (improved) program within a month but we do not have the details.
  - ii. Agnes will share as soon as she knows.

#### **4. Scheduling meetings**

Last Wednesday of each month:

October 29	January 28	April 1st
November 26	February 25	April 29
None in December	None in March	May 27

#### **5. Student Council Report**

- a. Council planned icebreaker activities and a Field Day for the Grade 10 students. It was very appreciated by the new students and was well organised.
- b. School clothing will start being sold the week of October 6<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Halloween activities are coming up.
- d. Sarah feels the Council had a strong start to the year.

#### **6. Administrators' Report**

- a. Board recognised that some SJA classes were very large at the beginning of the school year and a teacher was hired for the first semester. He will be teaching English and Social Studies classes.
- b. Ian Ranking will be holding a town hall meeting re. Education on Oct. 28 at 6:30. It will take place at the Prospect Road Community Centre. The information is on the SJA website.
- c. SJA has received cheque from DOE following election promise.
- d. Two water stations are being adapted to allow students to refill water bottles.
- e. Julie Mireault-Wiseman and Tabitha Bainbridge have presented a trip proposal to take students to Ecuador in March 2016 (March break plus 3 school days). They would be helping in the building of a school.

#### **7. New Business**

- a. We are once again in Year 1 in our CSI (Continuing School Improvement). We will use PD days and meetings for self-assessing in order to write our School Goals (Numeracy and Literacy). We will look at the possibility of a third goal around School Climate.
- b. 17 teachers are being formally evaluated this year (three year rotation). The SAC will be part of Agnes' evaluation around communication.
- c. We are having a musical again this year. It will be the Wizard of Oz and the auditions will start after Thanksgiving. The play will take place after the Easter weekend. There has been an excellent response from the students.
- d. Timberlea church has been sold and the building of the clearing of the land for the new church should start in December. This will affect parking in the cul-de-sac.

#### **8. Next Meeting: October 29, 2014**