



SAC - ESDH

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

6:00 PM

ESDH- Virtual meeting
Minutes

Attendees: Melissa Naugle, Pam Johnstone, Carolyn Smith, Amanda Evans, Hart Stoffman, Darah Rivalin, Kelly Hale, Levi P. Jen Murray,

We acknowledge that we are in Mi'kmaki which is the traditional ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

Approval of minutes – May 2022

Introductions:

- OPA feeder parent/guardian – Kelly Hale (interim SAC chair)
- OPA or GBJH feeder parent/guardian – Amanda Evans
- Community (Indigenous voice) – Carolyn Smith
- Community – Pam Johnstone
- Staff Member – Hart Stoffman (Dept Head, Teacher)
- Staff Member – Darah Rivalin (Dept Head, Resource/Learning Centre Teacher)
- Staff Member –Support Staff – Jessica Brown
- Student rep gr 10 – Being Finalized by ESDH Student Council
- Student rep gr 11 – Robyn Archibald
- Student rep gr 12 – Levi Parker
- GBJH feeder parent/guardian – Melissa Naugle

Student Leadership Report

- Levi Parker and Robyn Archibald spoke about Welcome Week at ESDH, including lunch time activities, Karaoke, Spirit Days, barbeque. A club fair was held in September to showcase the clubs that are available this year.
- Students participated virtually in the Canadian Student Leadership Conference and the 2022 Girls Conference hosted virtually by Mount St. Vincent University.
- Students and staff participated in orange shirt day in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation; honoring the children who never returned home from residential schools, as well as survivors, their families and communities.
- Upcoming student activities include: Halloween Week (pumpkin carving, cookie decorating, trick or treating)

Athletics

- Natalie Stevens and Sean Kent: co-athletic directors
- Current teams running: soccer (boys and girls), cross country, volleyball, baseball, hockey (boys)
- Coming soon: basketball tryouts (boys and girls)

Admin Report: Jen Murray

- EMP: Fire Drills, Hold and Secure, Lockdown, Relocation - Primary Rink; Secondary MH United Church of Canada (first drills completed successfully)



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Admin Report: (continued)

- **Supports within school:** IWK Mental Health Team - Rob Bartlett & Miles Rubin (ESDH) ; SchoolsPlus, FOS Social Worker - Emma Pringle-Boutilier, Nurse Practitioner - Jo McKee after lunch on Wednesdays, Youth Health Centre Coordinator - Connie Campbell, YMCA Career Counsellor (weekly) - Dawn Howe-Power, Guidance - Lise d'Entremont (returning February), as well as caring adults throughout the building to guide students to various supports if needed.
- **Student Council fee:** Fees have been waived this year due to the Student Support Grants.
- **Grade 12/Grads:** Had assembly to review post-secondary planning, bursaries/scholarships, prom, graduation; information will be shared with parent/guardians along with Family Information Night on October 19 at 6:30pm
- **Student Success Planning / Regional Student Success Plan**
ESDH SSP Goals:
 - *To improve student achievement in literacy and numeracy across all subject areas through the use of instructional practices that are informed by culturally responsive pedagogy (knowledge of students' diverse backgrounds, experiences, perspectives and learning styles).*
 - *To improve student achievement through use and planning around formative assessment strategies.*
 - *Well-Being Goal: Build a school community of support and compassion among all stakeholders to help students bring their best every day.***Regional focus:**
 - *Math 10 AC – Short Cycle Planning*
 - *Wellness – getting to know our students*
- **Exam Exemptions:** on hold again this year
- **Student Interventions:** identifying symptoms that may be standing in the way of some students meeting success (attendance, homework, need for extra-help, basic needs, referrals to other supports needed, adaptation & programming, etc...)
- **Provincial Assessment and Evaluation Policy:** Second opportunity for missed deadline but important to find reason why the learning assessment did not occur.

Other Business:

ESDH SAC would like regular update on new school. Principal will email HRCE Supervisor to request regular updates regarding the progress of the new school.

Next meetings:

November – PD for all chairs in HRCE

Wed, Dec 7th 6pm

Wed, Feb 8th 6pm

Wed, Apr 12th 6pm

Wed, May 24th 6pm