

MARINE DRIVE ACADEMY

School Advisory Council

Minutes 4 March 2025

Present: Jeannie Hubley, Savanna Munroe, Brooklyn Mace, Alana Gammon- chair, Kelsi Henley, Courtney Cameron, Aaron Verge- principal, Amanda Smith vice-principal, Judith Graham

Regrets: Kerri Chartrand

Called to order at 2:47.

STAFFING- down 2.2 teachers, have been posting but unsuccessful in filling the positions. Looking at reconfiguring elementary classes to decrease by one classroom without exceeding class size cap.

TRIPS: Trip to Activate- (interactive rooms)- O2 students and phys ed class- students really enjoyed this and received a lot of positive feedback from the venue.

Junior and Senior students going to Rath centre (Truro pool and skating rink) on Thursday.

Discovery centre inflatable astronomy exhibit- trying to book for this month.

O2 course is going well, budget has been spent on trip and supplies. All students are placed. 8 in O2 for next year.

FINANCIAL UPDATE- SAC has until June to spend budget. Funds have been allotted for grads (\$2,000) and furniture. Consider gradually buying graduation gowns instead of renting every year?

Students involved in SAC have attended a SAC HRCE meeting.

Code of Conduct still pending.

Scoreboard- donated but is huge- may need a lift to put it on truck. Will it be too big for our gym or cost too much to move? Is there one from ESDH? Money from St Barbara's may help with this.

TEAMS- Volleyball and basketball went well, badminton has started, softball coming up.

SPRING CONCERT- is being planned for June 11, in the evening.

DAYCARE- through province- no update.

COURSES: New coding course is going well. New courses for next year may include Mi'kmaq environmental science course Netukulimk and a life management course.

FIRE MARSHALL: work orders for blinds for doors, in compliance. Many rules to follow: all flags and banners need to be treated with fire retardant, no string lights, nothing on top of shelves, nothing on walls in hallways, all appliances CSA approved. These have been put in place in the school.

Next meeting: April 1 2:45.

Move to adjourn at 3:20 by Courtney Cameron.