



**NRCS SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Minutes October 4th, 2018**

**TIME:** 2:30pm

**ATTENDANCE:**           Principal:       Mr O'Quinn  
                                  Teachers:       Ms. Slade, Ms. MacLeod  
                                  Support Staff: Sheila Ernst  
                                  Community Rep: Nadine Hackney (offered to take on this position)  
                                  Parent Reps:   Jennifer Burgess (acting Chair), Katie Hirtle (sends regrets)

**MINUTES:** May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Moved by:**     Jennifer Burgess  
                  **Seconded by:** Katie MacLeod  
                  **To accept minutes as read.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

Not at this time

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT&NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **SAC Membership-** Looking for community rep. Nadine Hackney is willing to take the role if it does not get filled. Will advertise for community rep and parent rep.
2. **SAC Changes-** Powerpoint given out in paper copy to each SAC member, however still quite vague about the duties/responsibilities of SAC. By next meeting, we should have the handbook that will hopefully be more detailed.
3. **Parents as Career Coaches-** A junior high program for parents/guardians that help them to support their child in school and in the transition into high school and their future career choices. Date is Thursday, Nov. 1 (6:30-8:45). Need at least 8 parents to run the session. Will continue to advertise in newsletter and on website.
4. **Invitation from Petite Riviere Elementary School-** free BBQ and discussion around topics that include: outdoor learning and the natural playground, learnings from Pre-Primary and SAC/Community Engagement. Date is Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Jenn will try to attend on behalf of the SAC.
5. **School Goals-** Department of Education wants schools to have literacy, math and social emotion goals. This aligns with the previous school goals, which will continue to be focused on this year. Outdoor Education is becoming a big focus and will be something NRCS will discuss about implementing into the curriculum. Next staff meeting to discuss these goals is October 11<sup>th</sup>.

6. **Community School Update (from Nadine Hackney)**- Booking have started and things are going well. Looking for feedback from staff and it was mentioned potentially being involved in the After-School Program. Community Youth Meeting in November to talk details and how the first 2 months have been going with this new initiative.
7. **Fundraising Committee**- Going very well so far. First major event this year was the Fun Day, which was a big success. Ordered a new water filling station for the upstairs hallway with funds. Many upcoming events, including a sockhop and movie night.
8. **InterAgency Meetings**- Exterior groups including Mental Health, Public Health, APSEA, etc... are coming together for meetings to discuss things that arise in schools. First meeting was held here at NRCS. Going to have them now held within schools so no overlap and they can get insight from staff.
9. **Terry Fox Run**- Happened today and was a great afternoon. Raised \$139.
10. **Maritime African Dance Presentation**- Scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Was a very engaging presentation last year, so looking forward to having it happen again. Also the Mi'kmaq group Melgita't Women will be doing a presentation on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.

**NEXT MEETING:**            **November 2018**

**ADJOURNED:**            **3:05 pm**