

SAC Meeting Summary Horizon Elementary School

May 03, 2023, 7:00pm (virtual – zoom)

Attendees:

Tara Rutledge (acting principal); Susan White-Hill

Regrets:

Jessica Harper

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

Review of February Meeting Summary and approved as presented

Minutes:

- Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.
- Update provided on the literacy, well-being and math goals.
- John Tenwall photography contract has been signed and date secured for October 24, 2023.
 - For the 2024-2025 school year, Horizon will have the option to secure an earlier date (i.e., September) if desired.
- Principal's Report:
 - Enrolment: 380 students (334 for Primary to Grade 3).
 - Pre-Primary: 46
 - Primary: 82
 - Grade 1: 82
 - Grade 2: 80
 - Grade 3: 93
 - o 2023-2024 Enrolment as of May 2, 2023:
 - 326 Students (304 for Primary to Grade 3)



- Pre-Primary: 22
- Primary: 62
- Grade 1: 79
- Grade 2: 82
- Grade 3: 80
- 7 English classes and 8 French classes (same as this school year)
- Currently there will be 2 pre-primary classes for the 2023-2024 school year.
- PTO funds will be allocated to provide lunch to students during field day on June 8 (rain date is June 9)
- Mad Science Program has started their second set of sessions. The first session had a number of issues when they moved to the bi-weekly format. Kids are still enjoying the program.
- Cars (5 x Indi Spheros) for Grade 3 Hodder have been a big hit. Total amount spent from SAC funds on the cars was \$1,352.11.
- \$1,755.49 of SAC funds was used to purchase levelled books for students.
- To date, SAC has funded \$765.76 on busses for field trips. There are more trips planned for May and June so it was decided to use the remaining balance of \$1,494.64 to cover the cost of these busses.
- Grade 3's are working on their provincial assessments (literacy and math). English students are taking the assessment for English on May 16 and 18. All Grade 3 students will be taking the assessment for Math on May 24 and 25. Math and literacy coaches will be on site.
- Jordan Ballet will visit Horizon for a free performance on Friday May 12 from 1:15 to 2:15pm.
- Grow A Lotus Yoga: is a teacher-run yoga breathe and read program. Barbara Adams has contributed a \$700 "wellbeing" grant from her music event for Horizon to use. The school also received another grant given by HRCE. These two grants will be used to purchase a year subscription of this yoga program for use in the classrooms. Grow A Lotus speaker will be coming into the school next week to give a presentation to the teachers on how to incorporate literacy and yoga.
- School Food and Nutrition Survey will be sent to Jessica and Susan for input (input to be sent to Tara for submission). Policy has not been



revised with 2006, Tara advised that one of the teachers at the school is interested in improving the breakfast program for next year.

- Tara will start SAC Report and send to Chairperson for review.
- Next Meeting: September 2023
- Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm.

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Supporting Student Success in the COVID-19 Pandemic

Literacy Goal: We will improve student achievement in Literacy.

- Teachers will implement a Culturally Relevant approach when teaching literacy
- Teachers will implement on a daily basis all components of the reader's workshop with a focus on guided practice: 1. Mini Lesson 2. Guided Practice 3. Conference and Assessment 4. Share Time
- Teachers will implement formative assessment practices and use the resulting information to plan for instruction and assessment

Math Goal: We will improve student achievement in Mathematics.

- Teachers will implement a Culturally Relevant Approach when teaching math
- Teachers will implement a constructivist approach to teaching mathematics
- Teachers will implement formative assessment practices and use the resulting information to plan for instruction and assessment

Wellbeing Goal: We will improve student well-being at Horizon Elementary School.

