

## SAC Minutes – November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023

### **In Attendance:**

Imara Hamid, Amy Hunt, Leah Fumerton, Christi Budd, Jenn Cleveland , Mike Hallett, Makayla Connors, Jaspreet Singh

**Regrets:** Melissa Caines, Zobeida Al-Zobeidy, Michael Corbett, Christi Budd, Stephanie Moore

### **Call to Order at 5:35pm**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review of the role of SAC's in schools and what role they play in school planning
- Review of Fairview Height's Student Success Plan Goals

### **Approval of Agenda:**

Agenda approval motioned by Jenn Cleveland; all in favour

### **Review of Previous Minutes:**

Minutes from October meeting approval motioned by Leah Fumerton; all in favour

### **Business Arising:**

#### **Principals Report:**

- Recruiting members that reflect the diversity of our community
  - Statement drawn up by Imara to represent our school community and reviewed by the SAC: "Fairview heights Elementary is a culturally rich, diverse community where over 30 languages are spoken. A place where staff, students and families are welcomed, included, safe and have a sense of belonging. FHES is HRCE's hidden gem!"
- SAC agreement is out of date; Imara's professional skillset will be accessed to review and update the language used within. Will be reviewed by the SAC at the next meeting.
- **Student Success Planning**
  - Math and literacy data is improving with further support and alignment in teaching practices
  - Wellbeing is being focused on through teacher-student relationships, and student-student relationships – influenced by our well-being survey
  - SSP team is looking to facilitate focus groups to allow students to share their feelings in a more accessible medium
    - Discussion about follow-up, storage and review of information over a longer period
- Imara and Amy will attend SAC PD on November 30<sup>th</sup> to review expectations and execution of meetings

- Teacher PD, including data reflection, to happen on November 23<sup>rd</sup> before Parent-Teacher
- Parent-Teacher on the afternoon of the 23<sup>rd</sup>; new registration system being used and seems to be successful
- Family drop ins by Schools Plus are being held monthly and have been a HUGE success! Clothing, books, and resources are available, with a monthly focus
- December 4<sup>th</sup> is a full PD day; will be focussed on SSP goals, but will have some physical activity as now
- Pantry food drive is planned; we collect food to help fill the community pantries
- Vendor Fair is scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup>; about 20 vendors are scheduled to be here
  - Food, children's activities, vendors to buy from
- School Concert
  - Concert will be 3-5; Jennifer Cleveland will be doing informances with P-2
    - Informances are opportunities for parents to come in and participate in learning with their students

### **Finance:**

- Review of provincial spending guidelines
- Last budget money was spent on:
  - new playground
  - socio-emotional learning kits
  - U-Fly kits
  - decodable texts
  - story champs
  - phonics program
  - spring field trip

### **Reports or Presentations:**

- Margaret Smith requested money for her class library:
  - Her class library is out of date and does not reflect the diversity of her classroom community
  - She has curated a list to engage her cusp students and make them more excited/build enjoyment of reading
  - Mike Hallett motioned that we grant Margaret Smith \$500 to further develop her classroom library; all in favour
- Execution of parent/family engagement/survey ideas
  - One for parents; one for staff – 5-6 questions
  - Jaspreet can help with execution
- Guest speaker series
  - Hetty van Gurp a possibility
- Junior High Mentors
  - Have some older students read and work with out students to engage both levels

**Anything Else:**

**Adjourned at 6:36 PM; motioned by Leah Fumerton; all in favour**

**Next Meeting on January 16th 2024, at 5:30pm**