

SAC Meeting Minutes, October 1, 2025

Attendees:

- Bryan Reindhart
- Rebecca Sharkey
- Eleanor Sperry
- Larissa Williams
- Jennifer McManus
- Gillian Fougere

Absent

Molly Donovan

Guest: Billy Gillis/Billy.Gillis@halifax.ca

Update:

- **Safe School Strategies**
 - Woods have been closed due to lack of supervision/safety concerns
 - matrix all classes living the matrix, teachers are doing reflection sheets in classrooms.
 - updated school code of conduct
 - kids are learning hallway walk quiet, respect
 - working on dealing with the little things in class not all things need to go to the office.
 - new signs in hallways (arrows)
 - Graphic designer to create Matrix signs/risers for the stairs/Vision Statement
- **EMP is up to date**
 - Secondary relocation is Sackville High
 - Practice Fire Drill/Hold and Secure/Lockdown
 - Need to do an outdoor lockdown/hold and secure practice
 - Relocation room is ready as needed. Learning tools/bins of work/snacks and water available.
- **SSP - 3 Cycles of Short Cycle Goals**
 - Introduction a few years ago of UFLI/Word Work
 - Reading and Writing is not at grade level for many students. This is a trend that is being seen province wide. This makes it difficult to transfer skills from phonics/spelling into their writing.
 - Writing exemplars will be used throughout the year.
 - Focus on the writing process rather than writing genres.
 - New P to 2 strategy to improve student success. ELST is assessing kids in P to 2 to determine who needs support.
 - Computational Fluency remains a focus.
 - Well Being - CRP remains a focus. Getting to know our learners is important.

Learning Centre

- Allocation has been reduced twice since June.
- Sackville does not have ANS or Indigenous Support Workers for elementary students.
- Current ANS mentorship has been created by Emilie through her friend who works as an ANS mentor at Sackville High.
- Caudle is short a CYCP worker which has negatively impacted the support available.

- SAC member Rebecca indicated that it is much harder to get EPA support in the Chignecto board. She also wondered if there are any Indigenous students who need allocation but don't get it.
- Emilie described the IPP process and the Disrupting Inequities Team.

New Boiler has been installed.

- We inquired about the propane lever and why it is open to students. Operations was called and said it does not need to be enclosed.
- New parking lines have narrowed the path through to the pre-primary door. Emilie will put a reminder in the Monday Memo to the staff.
- "The River" is apparently still on the list to be completed but no time line has been given.

Parking

- Parents are still parking on the street. Emilie will add to our Newsletter and will call the RCMP to come.

Neptune

- We have booked a Neptune show to happen sometime around May.

Class Photos

- Can we have a white border with the date of the year

Change in times for SAC/PTA

- We will start at 5:30 pm instead of 6:00 pm.