

Westmount Elementary Advisory Council

MEETING AGENDA

Date: November 27, 2023 7:00pm

In attendance: Teri Colter, Greg White, Megan Gray, Andrew Hare, Suad Meftah, Runa Seal, Eric Thomson

Regrets: Annie Miller, Nadine Smillie, Joan Malay

Call to order: 7:12am

Approval of agenda: Megan and Runa

Approval of past meeting minutes:

Old Business:

- No carry over business from last meeting. (no old business to discuss).

New business:

- SAC budget discussion (Teri)-An annual funding allocation of \$5,000, plus one dollar per student for use during the current school year. All expenditures must fit into one of the three spending categories below:
 - supporting the school improvement plan (e.g., providing resources to support math and literacy instruction, well-being included).
 - supporting policy development and implementation (e.g., supporting and promoting new policies).
 - covering operational expenses. Up to 20 percent of provincial SAC funding may be used as operational expenses, if necessary, to encourage and support member participation.
- Suad: suggested using some money for educational field trips.
- Andrew Hare: Bringing local authors to the school to present. (Bring it up to the next SAC meeting).
- Bring in local/former Westmount employees.
- Climate and Culture update (Greg)
- School website review (all)- Add Friday Memo to the news items.

Student Success Planning:

Literacy Goal: We will improve achievement in literacy for each of our students, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry

Math Goal: We will improve achievement in mathematics for each of our students, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

Well-Being Goal: We will improve well-being at our school for each of our students, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

- Grades 3-6 Microsurvey (Teri)-collecting information about targeted areas from well-being goal and strategies related to feeling that students are known as they are, connections between school and their community, and ways to improve their school experience.
- Review and update plan December 4-examining goals and strategies in preparing for updating for term 2.
- Andrew/Suad- Suggesting bringing a cultural food fair. A way to learn about students' backgrounds and bring community into Westmount. Follow up in the next meeting.

WSA update:

Next meeting: January 29, 2024 at 7:00pm

Adjournment:

Time Ended- 8:05 AM