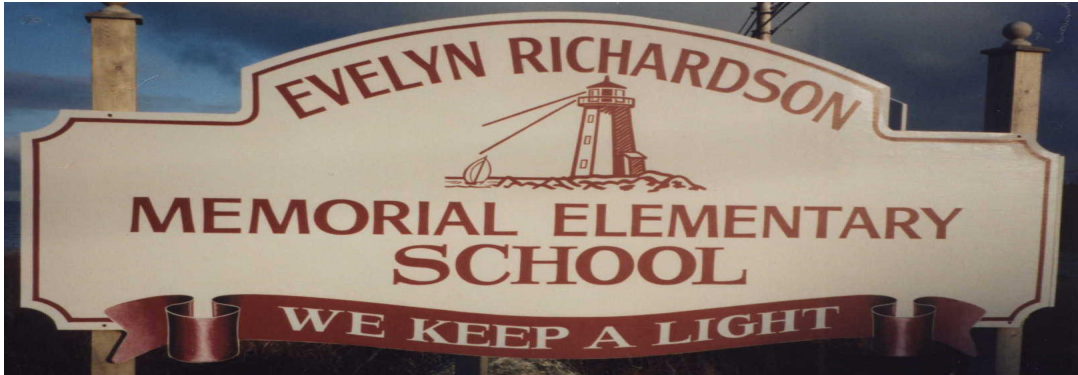


Evelyn Richardson Memorial Elementary



MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 8, 2022 1:00 pm

1. Call to order: members present: Taran Atwood, Kaysen Smith, Aleigha Nickerson, Lee Goreham-Smith
2. Approval of agenda - Approved by Aleigha; seconded by all.
3. Approval of meeting summary - all
4. Business arising from the previous meeting summary
 - Frozen Yogurt started to be sold on Friday, Nov. 4
Suggestion – Start at 9:50 am It was too early for some classes.
 - Jamie Boudreau was contacted. Quotes were far over the budget for an outside classroom. I stressed a shelter / outside class was needed.
 - The Sign Man- Frank Cottreau – can make a sign this Spring - \$400-\$500
 - Kara Smith motioned that we purchase sign from the SAC budget.
 - HPS will be meeting soon. Lee Sweeney – Request Loose Parts
 - Library Murals – third week of Nov.
Kara Smith motioned to spend up to \$1000 to have mural painted in the library. Seconded by Jennifer Goreham.

5. School improvement plan update (standing agenda item) – Our System Improvement Plan and Student Success Plan mirrors each other. We have goals to improve student success in literacy, math and student wellness / welcoming environment. Our Celebration Data Wall reflects student achievement in reading levels. We have students reading at, above and below grade level. Daily Guided Reading is an instructional expectation. We also offer Reading Recovery and Early Literacy Support.

Katrina Mood-Ross presented at the Staff Meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 10 on the Jan Richardson teacher resource: Next Steps in Word Study and Phonics. I have purchased 10 of these books for staff.

6. New business (current items):

SchoolCash on line seems to be working well. New deadline of Sunday at midnight.

Jamie Boudreau contacted Lee. An outdoor classroom is expected to be built this spring.

Library Murals were completed by Tiffany Barrett. They are beautiful!

Jump Rope for Heart will be organized again this spring by Lee Sweeney. This is also a fund raiser for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

The Maritime Marionettes will be coming to ERMES to perform. Tentatively in April.

March 23- Grading and Classification Day; students do not attend.

March 25 – ERMES students will be going skating.

March 31- Elementary PD / Parent –Teacher Meetings / Conference calls

b. School fees - n/a

7. Special reports and/or presentations - SAC Student Reps- Aleigha and Kaysen – surveyed students for their suggestions of how we can improve our school. Please review the list.

Lee Goreham-Smith has passed the suggested items for the menu onto the Cafeteria Coordinator, Dorothy Penney. She will review them to see which will meet the Food and Nutrition Policy.

Lee Goreham-Smith will pass on the list to Lee Sweeney and Laura d'Entremont, HPS Co-Chairs, in order to see what can be purchased for the playground.

Taran Atwood asked for funding to replenish the supplies in Play, Learn and Grow. The SAC voted to give her up to \$500 for these purchases.

Lee Goreham-Smith asked for funding to pay for the Puppet Workshop provided by the Maritime Marionettes. Perform NS may also be providing a grant. The SAC voted to provide up to \$1500 for this project.

Kaysen shared that students would like something more to do during inside recess. Lee suggested that board games be purchased. The SAC approved spending \$100 per class (up to a max of \$500) to put new board games in homerooms.

Kaysen and Aleigha suggested that students enjoyed playing with puppets and that a puppet theatre for outside use would be a good purchase for the playground. The SAC approved spending up to \$500 for the purchase of a puppet theatre.

a. SchoolsPlus services – available to families who experience barriers to services, medical appointments, or have food insecurities.

b. Speech and Language Pathologist, Elizabeth Pace, will be spending a full week at each elementary school (FRA, ERMES and CHES) from March-June. Pre-Primaries will receive a speech – language screening in April.

8. Public input

9. Next meeting: date – April 12 at 1:00

10. Adjournment – 1:35 pm