

Marion Bridge School SAC Meeting Summary Monday, February 24, 2025

1. Virtual Meeting:

Parent - Kristen Walker

Parent - Kevin Hardy

Community - Veronica Merryfield

School - Amanda MacPherson (NSTU)

Principal - Ruth Clarke (Non-voting member)

Absent - School - Emma Hawley (CUPE)

Community - VACANT

Items Outstanding from November 25-24

1. Vacant Community Member position:

Suggestions from members to aid in recruitment of a community member included word of mouth and creating a poster to be distributed in the community and on social media.

2. Bookmobile - our discussions touched on the fact that the Bookmobile is no longer on the road and will not be making monthly visits to Marion Bridge School.

Students in grades Primary to Three visited the CBRL site in Sydney to try to introduce them to the experience of going to the library and to help them become aware of the services and programming offered.

New Business;

1. SAC Annual Survey - deadline for completion - March 28, 2025

 SAC Annual Survey 2024-25_Letter to SACs_ENG.pdf

Input from SAC members was required to answer questions on the annual SAC survey. The completed survey was submitted on February 27-25

2. Basic school supplies for students grades Primary to 8 - feedback request

RED, Susan Kelley, requested feedback from SACs regarding an issue that came forward at a CBVRCE regional SAC meeting. The survey was looking at the feasibility of providing free or low cost school supplies to families.

Marion Bridge SAC discussed the process that we currently use and the success of our program. The SAC agreed with the value of bulk purchasing. Our SAC would rather keep its funding to put towards our "Family Connections Night". This information was sent to Susan Kelley.

3. Pre-Primary/Primary Registration - September 2025

Enrollment numbers for PrePrimary and Primary were shared. There are still a couple of families in our community who have not yet registered their students. SAC members will reach out to individuals.

Standing Items:

SSP focus for 2024-2025 - short cycle goals

- **Well-being** - Physically Active Framework

[https://curriculum.novascotia.ca/sites/default/files/documents/resource-files/Physical%20Activity%20Framework%20ENG%20\(2023\).pdf](https://curriculum.novascotia.ca/sites/default/files/documents/resource-files/Physical%20Activity%20Framework%20ENG%20(2023).pdf)

Kristen indicated that there could be several community wellness grants and initiatives that may be accessed to help with our goal of incorporating more movement into learning - both indoors and outdoors.

Professional development was provided by the Active Healthy Living Coordinator on how movement can be incorporated into learning across the curriculum - including how to bring the curriculum outdoors.

- **Literacy** - writing - 3-2-1 - Making writing right
Professional development has been provided to all teachers.
Individual classroom goals reflect the outcomes for the grade levels.
- **Mathematics** - automaticity of number fact recall (90 day short, sharp focus)
We continue to focus on developing automaticity with number fact recall.

SAC Budget for 2024-25

- Balance as of February 10, 2025

\$6838.00

Meeting dates for 2024-2025:

September 23-24

November 25-24

February 24-25

March 31-25 ***Rescheduled April 28-25***

May 12-25