

CDS SAC Meeting Agenda
November 19, 2024

Attendance: Melissa Willman, Chris Burris, Jamie Countway, Sheila Porter, Angela Allen, Lynn Myra, Kevin Mattson, Joanna Keith

Absent: Katelyn Veinot, Anna Silverman

1. Principals Reports

In our second week of flip flop- stop the bus and everyone is working on writing. Last week they did share class to class- nice feedback from the teacher. As a school this is our focus, we noticed that results from grade 3 assessments that writing was lower in the scores. Want to bring back the joy to writing. We are going to keep doing this until end of December evaluate after the break to see what we will do then.

Chris led a team of grade 2-4s for a play at the Chester Playhouse. It was an opportunity that the Playhouse had to bring in a production. Combination of different visual effects. It was a very accessible production, no dialogue. Children had to infer the entire time. Students were making inferences and worked on being very respectful. It was about a girl exploring nature coming into her home. On the walk back to school, students were chatting about it the entire way. A great opportunity to offer the students- some who may have never experienced this before. Only could have grade. 2-4 because the ratios are 1-5 now. We need people to get their volunteer checks so they can help with these types of events.

This Friday the 29th we are going to the festival of trees. All of the classes are making ornaments for the classes. For grades 1-4 are going to walk and decorate the tree. PP and primary made the choice to stay back.

Scholastic book fair is coming up it is running from December 2-6. We are looking for volunteers to help with the bookfair. We do try to run it during the progress conferences (aka parent teacher)

Next week we have our holiday dinner. If any parents want to help and come serve that would be excellent. We will have turkey and a vegetarian option as well.

Holiday concert is upcoming. December 9th and 10th. This information was sent home to parents on Thursday. On November 26th tickets will go on sale.

We are going to have a raffle- we have some local lobster fishermen who have donated some lobster. 20 lbs of lobster on sale 2\$ a ticket or 5\$ for 3 tickets.

We are also going to be having a gift market. Home and School are looking for gently used items. Students will be given so many tickets to “purchase” for someone special in their lives and it will be gift wrapped and sent home. We need a lot of items. So, if you have anything please donate to the office. It will be great for the students and showing the importance of giving. No items that are breakable.

2. SSP update- Flip Flop, RISE, Math Intervention, Short Cycle Data
We are working on students writing, generating ideas and writing about them.

SEL, we have some new logos for our mascot. We have 4 in the foyer and students came down by class today and voted for which one they wanted. Students will tally the votes on Wednesday.

3. Regional PD

Originally there was supposed to be a regional SAC PD at Hebbville Academy, but it was cancelled.

4. Volunteers

We need people to come and volunteer in our school. Really have been pushing for more volunteers. You can get your checks from Kim in the office. Your checks can be cross referenced for other schools.

5. Requests for staff

Updated funding amount- \$4297.53 (we will have more)

Document Camera for the P/1 Classroom- the region no longer funds them. The cost would be 157.19

Kevin made a motion to pass- everyone was in favour.

Monica Fraser is looking to purchase Julia Cook books- \$250.00 book 13 books. Potential book titles include Awesome Dawson has big emotions, A Bad Case of Tattletongue, I have Ants in my Pants etc. Transition room- is a room for students to learn school skills. She also supports students from grades P-2 in social emotional learning.

Joanna made the motion to pass- everyone was in favour.

Andrea Dennis- is requesting a subscription to “I Know it.com” – 150 US/ 209. 65 allows for independent practice and whole class activities. Kids really enjoy it.

Angela Allen made the motion to pass- everyone was in favour.

6. Community School update

Nicole Wallis could not make it; she sent her regrets. 5 of 7 days the gym has been booked. The Chester Sharks do a lot of booking. Pickle ball is on Wednesday nights. We have a good relationship with the Chester Municipality. Nicole Wallis is doing a great job. Two weeks ago, Melissa sat in on a joint community school meeting. CAMS basketball court was repaved due to community schools' use. We are going to tap in to see about a playground refresh, there is also money to get equipment. School does not get the money, instead it is how can we work together to make programming happening. Currently rent our school out for gym and cafeteria. We do not rent out classrooms and learning commons. We might look to this.

7. Other?

8. Next meeting: December 2nd at FHCS at 5:30pm- who can attend

This has been postponed for after the winter break. We do not have to have a December one; we only need to have 6 per year. So, we can push it to January.

We agreed to have a January meeting.

Tuesday January 21st, 2025, at 6:30 pm