



SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: May 7, 2025

Members: Nancy Snow, Erin Morrow, Luke Penney, Joanne Kirkpatrick, Chantal Pelham-Edwards, Christina Kempster, Melanie Ross

Regrets: Julie Stover Glenda Rubia, Janine McClure, Andrea Black

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1. **WELCOME AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 2. Joanne welcomed SAC members and called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.
 3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 4. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**
 - Report was reviewed and no questions arose from it. Please refer to Appendix 1
 5. **SAC Funds Discussion**
 - As we prepare the annual report, the breakdown of the SAC grant was discussed and any leftover money will go towards offsetting the costs of the Grade 9 Boat Cruise
 6. **Other Business N/A**
 8. **NEXT MEETING**
 - This was our last meeting of the 2024-25 school year.
 9. **ADJOURNMENT**
 - The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.



APPENDIX 1

SAC Principal's Report

May 7, 2025

New Principal – we welcome **Leanne March** as the new Principal of Five Bridges starting in September. Leanne is coming from Fairview Junior High and she is very excited to join our staff in the fall.

Parent Teacher – was well attended for the in-person session in the evening and teachers had a full schedule for phone calls in the afternoon. This arrangement seems to have worked very well this year.

Transition meetings – have been taking place for the grade 9's going to Bay View and for the grade 6's coming from Shatford and East St. Margarets. We will be doing the transition meetings with Tantallon and St. Margaret's Bay grade 5's later in the month.

Community Clean up – On April 29th we partnered again with Tim Hortons to do our annual community clean up around the school and on the trail right down to the lake. The students collected so many bags of garbage – so successful!!

Dance – the students danced up a storm on April 25th! We had a lower-than-normal turnout but it's expected this time of year when there are so many other commitments the students have outside of school.

PD Day – our PD day was to prepare for the new **Code of Conduct** which was just released. Schools are asked to prepare a Vision Statement along with a matrix of expected behavior. We worked in groups to come up with some samples to draw from to create our drafts. We will then put the draft out to the SAC, the students and our parents for feedback. The final matrix will be ready to roll in September.

Fine Arts Gala – will be held on **June 4** at the school. The wonderful artwork created by our students will be on display throughout the lobby and by the library while the band will be performing for their final concert this year. It's always a very well attended evening and always well done!

Immunization clinic – the second clinic for gr 7 students to get their immunizations will be held on **June 17**.

End of year assessments for grade 9 – this year, grade 9 students will be writing a year end assessment in English Language Arts / French Language Arts and Math on **Thursday, June 19 and Friday, June 20** with makeup sessions, if necessary, on **Mon, June 23**



Class trips for the end of year are being planned:

Grade 6 - TBD

Grade 7 – Atlantic Splashland, Monday, June 16

Grade 8 - Atlantic Splashland, Wednesday, June 18

Grade 9 Day Trips:

Bowling and lunch at the Halifax Shopping Center – Tuesday, May 27

Boat Cruise (Murphy's on the Water) – Wednesday, June 11

Atlantic Splashland – Wednesday, June 25

The end of year **Grade 9 Closing Ceremony** will be on **Tuesday, June 24 at 9 am** and the end of year **dance** for all grades will also be on **Tuesday, June 24 (Grade 9's 6 – 8:30; Grade 6-8 6:30 – 8:30)**

Assessment Day Fri, June 27 – no school for students

Last Day of School Monday, June 30 – report cards will be emailed – buses will leave the school between 9:30 and 10 am – exact time TBA