Student Advisory Council (in person)

**MEETING MINUTES**

**In attendance:** Jen Comeau, Julie Johnson, Michael Wall, Tracy Beaton, Audrey Davison

**Regrets:** Alyssa Blackburn, Gary Miller, Jayda Provo, Holly Doyle

1. Call to Order: 6:06 PM
2. Approval of Agenda
   1. Moved: Julie
   2. Seconded: Audrey
3. Approval of Minutes from January Meeting
   1. Moved: Tracy
   2. Seconded: Jen
4. Student Representative Report: Jayda Provo
   1. Defer
5. Principals Report

* Registration: grade 9 to HS finished end of Feb. It went well from all accounts.
* Transition planning for grade 6 coming in is under way. Possible increase in French immersion students. Info session for parents for late French immersion.
* Tunnel Vision program: Chris Johnson and Rachel Ross from the board working with African Nova Scotian students. Esteem building focus. Youth seem to enjoy the program.
* Jen headed up Grade 9 ANS students, graduating class shirts. “Black Mentors Matter” t-shirt for each ANS student.
* MAJE: hip hop artist and motivational speaker, seemed well received by students. Positive messages.
* Beat the Winter Blahs activity: students had choice of activities (mindfulness, chess, Cricut crafts, etc.), including staff v student basketball game.
* Grade 7s field trip to Dartmouth High to see presentation “Mouse Trap”. The only complaint from students was the theatre was very hot.
* Grade 8s, 9s ski trip to Martock, separate days.
* Wolves Den: 2nd annual activity. Grade 9 students showcasing their learning – develop their own product, marketing pitch, mock-ups, etc. Grade 7s given monopoly money to “invest” in their favorite products.
* Taco Tuesday: walking tacos for lunch for the whole school.
* Basketball Champs! Cal Wolves were 1st place!! Banner winners signed by the team will be hung soon.
* Badminton and flag football started.

Literacy Update: Resource teacher Mike is finished. Assessment “Dibbles” done, will return end of season to redo assessment to assess progress.

Math: Program evaluation. Halifax Central Junior High is coming to visit to see our use of Knowledge Hook.

* Year end celebration for Grade 9s is a Harbour Cruise.

1. New Business
   1. SAC Funding Proposals
      1. Jada Byard, Haley Knudsen: bookcases and storage. ($652). Approved
      2. Jen: new whiteboard. ($500). Approved
      3. Melissa Campbell, Danielle di Pietrantonio. Sound proofing of band room. ($1000). Approved
      4. Caitlyn Morrison. Calculators ($500-1000). Approved for $500
      5. Caitlyn Morrison. Walking pad. ($400-600). Approved for one device for now, reassess (~$350).
   2. Funding proposal from Danielle DiPietrantonio (band).
      1. Update: original cost $1625 (over $60/student). Band students and parents raised $875 with fudge fundraiser. Cost of trip will be more accessible $25/student. Doesn’t need any additional funding.
   3. Review current SAC budget
      1. $4000 remaining (-$3000 approved this meeting) = $1000 remainder.
2. Questions:
3. Next Meeting Date: May 16, 2024
4. Adjournment: 6:48 PM