**Date**: Jan 22, 2025

**Time**: 6:00 P.M.

# In Attendance

**Students:** Grade 7 Rep

**Parents:** Karen Saweczko; Dinesh Pathak

**School Staff:** Beth Landers

**Community Members:**

**School Administration:** B. Anyanwu; A. Stone

# Agenda

1. Call to order
   1. Discussion on SAC budget and proposals for 2024-2025 spending
   2. Updates on SST for new school

3.1 Principal’s Report

3.2 Student Reports

4.1 Adjournment: Next Meeting January 22, 2025

1. Call to Order

The Chair opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. The meeting was held in-person.

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# New Business

2.1 It was agreed that the focus of this years SAC expenditures will be student wellness. We will purchase basketballs, soccer balls and volleyballs for each JH pod. In addition, each elementary classroom (27 in all) will receive a bin with outdoor equipment for recess, such as chalk, bubbles and balls. HRCE should provide the chromebook cart. There are Healthy Grant funds to provide the ELA lunchtime wellness group. Any additional funds will be spent on outside security cameras or the Learning Centre. Beth will have prices available at the next SAC meeting.

2.2 The SST has not yet been stood up, despite the September 24 announcement. Latest communication was that the SST would be stood up in February, and that the SAC Chair from each impacted school would be included.

1. Reports

3.1 Principal’s Report: Enrollment is at 920, with 38 homerooms. Our students scored above regional and provincial results in the LM3 again this year. The focus continues to be on Gr Primary-2 Literacy, Grade 3-6 math fluency, and Grade 7-9 math as well as student well-being. The SSP is the focus of most staff meetings and PD this year. The short cycle goal is writing. Two ELS teachers are at the school full-time to replace literacy coaches. JH students are very involved in all extra-curricular sports, with students signing participation agreements to ensure school comes first. Halifax West guidance counselors have been at PWS for assistance with grade 9 course selection. There continue to be concerns with food waste in the lunch program and the HRCE has been notified. Late students continue to be an issue in JH and are required to call their parents when they are late. Parent-Teacher meetings in November were well attended The school is receiving 75 chromebooks for the grade 3 classes in the modular. There are ceiling leaks in both the gym and the cafeteria; operations staff have been notified. We continue to have a need for lunch monitors, and for parents to follow the rules around driveway usage. NOTE Chromebooks are being vandalized at alarming rates. It was suggested that teachers institute a sign-out policy so it can be determined which student has the chromebook when the vandalism occurs.

3.2 Grade 7 Rep shared that there is lots of homework. The grade has several field trips coming up, including the Black Cultural Centre, a play at Halifax West and skiing at Martock. There is also a JH dance coming up with a new DJ.

Adjourned: 7:00 PM

Next Meeting: Mar 26, 2025