

West Pictou Consolidated School

SAC Minutes Oct 6th, 2020 4:00 PM

Attendees: Jenny Velchev, Michelle Langille, Lynn MacLean, Chris Georgeson, Kim Thériault, Cindy Turner, Rae Gunn

Regrets: Wayne Murray, Margaret DeYoung, Sarah Wilson

Additions to agenda: none

Approval of agenda: Moved by Rae Gunn. Seconded by Michelle. Motion carried.

Election of Officers:

- Vice Chair - Chris Georgeson
- Chair - Lynn MacLean
- Secretary - Jenny Velchev

Approval of minutes from March 9th, 2020: Moved by Michelle Langille and seconded by Rae Gunn. Motion carried.

Old Business/Items arising from Minutes:

- Gym curtain - we still have no new curtain for the gym. Cindy will ask Michael Bates again about putting it on the capital expenditures list.
- Custodian am shift - next week a custodian will be starting shifts at 8 am.
- Baby barn – Wayne Murray supplied the information on the engineering flight school and if they agree to build the engineering flight school would provide the material. Cam Beaton is the contact. Lynn will forward to Cindy and Cindy will forward to Truro for approval.
- Have the Chromebooks been purchased?
- E-reader pens have been purchased.

School Success Plan and Professional Plan:

- On hold for now.
- Major focus of September was getting students back into school and adjusted.
- Back to School Plan - a walk through of the school was done in August to identify things that needed to be removed. It is all stored in the cafeteria for now.
- Cohorts - There are bus cohorts and classroom cohorts. Classroom cohorts have designated areas outside.
- Staff went over the use of new safety products for cleaning surfaces.
- There will be no pictures, dances, assemblies.
- 4 extra supervisors for bus cohorts were hired. There is room for 1 more.
- Capital Expenditures - we have a brand-new cafeteria floor.
- An AED was purchased and installed. No one has been trained on it yet.
- A new grade 7 teacher, Mitchell Copeland, started Sept 30th.
- Homeschooling numbers have affected the numbers of the school.
- There are gaps in learning that the teachers are addressing.
- Services for students are different because of COVID. Specialists are being housed at different schools for 6 weeks slots.

- There will be no site-based meetings.
- PGAP is on hold for now.

New Business:

- a) SAC plan for the year:
- Outdoor learning
 - Getting a grant for outdoor classroom
 - Coasting, snowshoes
 - Breakfast program
 - Bins go to classes. Kids are eating a lot, but they will need money soon for products. One supervisor is paid one hour to help. \$1300 paid so far. \$7000 is in the budget so there is about 6 months of budget. More money is required.

Meeting Dates:

Next meeting Nov 3rd, 4 pm. Meeting after that, Dec 1st, 4 pm.

Action Items:

1. Rae and Kim discuss outdoor learning opportunities.
2. Baby barn - Lynn will forward material list and amounts to Cindy who will forward it to Truro.
3. Cindy will ask Michael Bates about curtain for gym.
4. Lynn will try to find more money from other local groups for the breakfast program.
5. Cindy or Kim will find out if Schools Plus could join in the next meeting.
6. Coats for Kids - Cindy will add to newsletter and make a facebook post.

Adjournment: Kim moved for meeting to be adjourned and Chris seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Meeting concluded at 5:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jenny Velchev