

SAC Minutes
Beaver Bank Kinsac
October 23, 2024

Team Members: Kelly Clarke (principal), Amanda Frost (vice principal), Tammy MacLellan (staff member/admin assistant), Candra MacKeen (teacher), Liesl Newman (parent rep), Sheryl Crosby (community member/EPA), Bob Crosby (community member), Ben Glover (parent),

Regrets:

Special Guest

Supporting Student Success

Literacy Goal: We will improve student achievement in Literacy, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

Math Goal: We will improve student achievement in Mathematics, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

Safe and Inclusive Learning Environment Goal: We will improve student well - being at our school, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

Discussion Items	Minutes
Call to order - We would like to acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. The Treaties of Peace and Friendship cover this territory. We acknowledge that people of African Ancestry have been in Nova Scotia for more than 400 years.	
Approval of agenda	Liesl Newman, Bob Crosby
Approval of meeting minutes	Tammy MacLellan, Sheryl Crosby
Business arising from the meeting minutes	
Principal's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">● September Start● Staffing● New Website● Review BBK SAC Agreement & Bylaws● SAC Membership● 1st Annual SAC Conference	<p>September start - We had a very smooth start. The students are settled in. There were many questions/concerns from families regarding combined classes. Combined classes are a reality at each grade level. In preparation for September start next year, we plan to share information and educate families about combined classes as well as our process for creating class lists.</p> <p>Staffing- We now have a music teacher as well as a librarian. These positions were unfilled to start the year. We are very</p>

	<p>happy to have filled these positions. We have two new positions this year: Elementary Literacy Support Teachers. We have a 100% ELST and a 50% ELST shared with BBM. These teachers are supporting in grade P-2 classrooms with whole class literacy instruction (explicit systematic phonics instruction) as well as small group instruction. We have 1.5 Learning Centre teachers and 8 EPAs.</p> <p>New website - We have a new website design. There currently is not a place for SAC meeting minute notes. Mrs. Clarke will check into this.</p> <p>Review BBK SAC Agreement & Bylaws - Mrs. Clarke reviewed and explained the agreement and bylaws for all members.</p> <p>SAC membership - We are still looking for staff, parent, and community members. Spread the word. Liesl will continue as SAC Chair and Candra will take on the role of secretary.</p> <p>1st Annual SAC Conference - Liesl and Amanda attended the conference. They shared that it was very informative. Topics included mental health in children, school violence, updating the code of conduct policy, and the Innovation Grant. The Innovation Grant is up to \$10 000 and the deadline for proposals for next year is Jan/Feb. We discussed linking the grant back to our well being goal (lunchtime clubs, friendship benches). More discussion will take place at the next meeting.</p> <p>Other business - We have 171 of 264 who have completed their registration information. There are many who do not consent for media release. Therefore, we cannot have a yearbook.</p> <p>Spring fair - We do not currently have a PTA. Without a parent group, we cannot</p>
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	have a Spring fair. Kelly and Amanda will include an expression of interest in communication with families to see if there are parents who are willing to take this on.
Student Success Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literacy – cycle 1 • Math – cycle 1 • Well-being – cycle 1 • Grade 3 Provincial Assessment Results 	<p>Currently entering cycle 1. We are planning to focus on writing.</p> <p>Grade 3 Assessment results - 73% of BBK students are meeting in reading (72.5% for HRCE) 33% of BBK students are meeting in writing (43% for HRCE) 80% of BBK students are meeting in math (77% for HRCE)</p>
Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We anticipate the funding to be the same as previous years - \$5000 + \$1 per student. 	
Policy Input N/A	N/A
Special reports and/or presentations	N/A
Other:	N/A
Next Meeting: Adjournment	Wednesday November 27, 2024 @ 6:00 via Google Meet Click her to join the meeting: https://meet.google.com/ioq-czds-xci