

**John W. MacLeod Fleming Tower  
Home and School Association Meeting  
March 1st, 2018**

In attendance: HSA President April Feener-Smith, Garlanda Joyce, Principal Emily Quigley, Vice Principal Jennifer Cholock, teacher representative Lynne MacKinnon, Trish MacDonald, Sue Molloy, Marney Steeves.

**Principal's Report:**

\* African Heritage Celebration was a big success with the students. Throughout the month we celebrated with dancing, art projects, researching African Nova Scotian's who have made a difference as well as a daily contest question. On the last day there was a big assembly held in the gym for staff and students that had everyone dancing.

\*February was Winter Walk Month and many classes participated by doing a walk in the neighbourhood. Tomorrow, March 2nd will be our school Winter Walk. Everyone will meet at the Frog Pond at 7:50am and proceed to walk to school together as a group from there.

\*Next Tues, March 6th we will have Mad Science visiting the school.

\*March is Nutrition Month and the last week of March will be Healthy Living Week.

\*There have been new activity bins placed in each classroom with various activities for days when the weather doesn't allow the students to get outside.

\*A new Chromebook cart was purchased for Fleming Tower.

\*Our library recently received free tables and work has been done to re-organize the space for students. New bean bag chairs and rocking chairs were also added to the reading corner. It should be finished soon.

\*Some new kidney tables were also purchased for areas that needed them.

\*Our school success plan has been going well. We've had a focus on Math for the last few months and this will continue. Our upcoming Professional Development Day will see teachers focusing on writing as well.

**Treasurer's Report:** Nothing new since our last meeting.

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Going forward the minutes of our previous meeting will be reviewed and approved at our meeting before being posted on our Facebook Page and school Website. February's minutes were reviewed, changes noted and approved.

**Upcoming Events:**

1. **Family Dance:** Our first family dance will be held on Thurs, March 08th. We have collected some forms to date with more expected. We will also accept payment at the door. DJ has been booked.

2. **Tasting & Silent Auction:** The date is confirmed for Friday, April 13th. Donation letters have gone out & donations have started to come in. Four (4) Adirondack chairs have been purchased for the raffle. Colors for the chairs and Lupin designs were chosen. Raffle tickets will be made for the chairs with one set being raffled at the Tasting and the 2nd at Springfest. The raffle sales will be ongoing between events.

3. **Teacher Appreciation Week:** This year Teacher Appreciation Week will be held May 7-11th. We have decided to set up an online volunteer sign up for parents to contribute food for the Pot Luck that is held for teachers at the end of the week. We will provide a list of food for parents so that we have some idea of how much food to expect.

4. **Springfest:** Things are slowly shaping up for Springfest which will be held on Sat, June 2nd. All items have been booked with Glo Parties and this year we have added a Dunk Tank and a new bounce option called Meltdown. This will be in place of the train which wasn't available this year.

With no further business, our next meeting will be held on Thurs, April 5th.