



John W MacLeod, Fleming Tower School Advisory Council

Meeting minutes

Thursday, March 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Staff Room

Attendees: Emily Quigley (Principal), Dave Moorhouse (Co-Chair/ Parent Rep), , Mary Beth Ross (Community Rep), Lynne MacKinnon (Teacher Rep), Jennifer Cholock-Whitty (Staff Rep)

Regrets: Ashley Matthews-Duffett (Community Rep); Brian Psooy (Parent Rep) Alix Robinson (Parent Rep)

1. Call to Order, opening circle, welcome

- 6:00pm

2. Approval of Minutes from March 1, 2018 Meeting

- Moved by Lynne MacKinnon; Seconded by Jenifer Cholock. Motion carried.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

- Fencing along Purcell's Cove Road (Emily)
Emily spoke to Shawn Cleary. He believes he may be able to fund the fence. The HSA needs to apply for a Capital District Grant. Emily will speak to HSA and ask for their support.
- Bylaws and Letter of Agreement Amendments (Dave)
- School website/ communications (Emily)- No new information to share
- Concerns raised regarding trend of over-capacity at JWMFT vs. available resources in neighboring schools (Dave)

4. Principal's Report (Emily)

- African Heritage Month: Celebratory feel-dance all month- to a whole school dance, art projects, researching African Nova Scotian's who have made a difference. We also had a contest question each day.
- Winter walk month- many classes participated, Friday March 2 we will meet at the Frog Pond at 7:50
- Mad Science-March 6

- Family Dance: March 8
- Healthy Living Week- last week of March
- Recent acquisitions: Activity Bins for each class, chrome book cart for Fleming Tower, tables for our Library, fun chairs for a reading corner in the library, kidney tables for guided reading
- School Success Plan
We have been working on our math goal- improving number sense particularly in the area of partitioning. We have some great things happening in classrooms. Example: grade 1/2 making 10 when adding single digit numbers. Coming up in our next PD we will be looking at the writing continuum and looking at samples of student writing and ensuring we have a common understanding of where our students are on the continuum.

5. New Business

- Glaze Report and Legislation Tabled by Government. A brief discussion regarding impact of the report. As the report is very new administration did not have any information to share at this time.

6. Date for next meeting – Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 6pm

7. Remaining meetings for the 2017/18 school year (aligned with HSA meetings):

- May 20, 2018
- June 7, 2018