

Hawthorn Elementary School Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: May 3, 2021 at 7:00pm

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Action

Call To Order	Attendance: D Williams-Hart, M Campbell, E Mercer, A Carter	Missing: D Gillespie, A Urquhart, J Jodrey, M Sitzer, D Johnson, K Murray-Chapman
Review of Minutes	no concerns	
Old Business	no concerns	
Chair	Alexis Carter-Malloch	
Principal's Report 3.	Things are going well, emails will continue to be sent to update families with the changing situations, more information will come shortly regarding support for families who could use support/food/employment assistance during this time The number of staff working in the building is dwindling with rising case numbers Anticipate more direction regarding at-home learning from the province by Friday	
New Business + discussions	Q: If there is any money left in our funds, can we use it? A: Based on the funding schedule (Sept - March then April - Sept) - we are on track and there is not any outstanding need as far as we are aware at this time Q: There is not typing taught in the curriculum but students have to have it for their assignments A: Students can use online resources to develop that skill C: Since we have updated the SAC blog in the newsletter to help people come to us with questions/concerns, I have not had anyone come to us with anything (ACM) C: We have had a great experience with online learning this year, only positive things to say about the teachers and how well things are going (EM) Q: Do we need to prepare or look into the "Wellness" goal for the SAC anymore this year? A: The goal is still under development with the HRCE and will be evolving further in the next year(s) Q: The fence surrounding the playground is in disrepair, there are holes and gaps and parts where the metal is quite sharp and sticking out A: The school has called 311 to report it but it does not appear as if it has yet to be addressed or fixed	Q: question A: answer C: comment

	<p>Q: Last year we had the community gardens in the corner of the lot, will be able to do that this year?</p> <p>A: Recent conversations with Ali Shaver, who was acting as our parent resource. Ali is working on securing funding, Byony McStay-Fost is in conversations as well to line up families to help as well (through the HSA).</p> <p>Q: Last year there was an issue with visibility on the corner of Erskine and Hawthorne streets due to overgrowth, is this something that can be addressed again this year as part of the garden planning?</p> <p>A: We have asked the city to better maintain the growth around the fences on the corner and we can bring that into the conversations with the gardening as well.</p> <p>C: We have the annual report for the SAC that will need to be completed</p> <p>C: I can prepare it and send it to everyone for vetting before the deadline</p> <p>Q: M Campbell, are you willing to continue with the SAC as a community member next year?</p> <p>A: Yes! I am happy to stay on (MC)</p>	
Next year	Meeting dates are good as previously outlined	
Adjourned	Thank you to everyone, enjoy your summers and have a great end of the school year!	