

**Hawthorn Elementary School Advisory Council
Draft Meeting Minutes
January Meeting (February 2, 2023)**

Members	Present	Regrets
Parent (Chair)	Alexis Carter	
Parent	Bryony McStay	
Parent		Emily Mercer
Staff (Principal)	Anne Gourlay	
Staff (Vice Principal)	Laura Dunn	
Staff		Donna Gillespie
Community Member		Mike Campbell
Community Member	TBD	

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Summary Minutes**
- 4. Students Success Planning Update**

The school continues to focus on Literacy, Math, and Well-being goals. P-2 continues to track literacy and grade 4-6 will focus on math fluency. We reviewed our goals and strategies at our December PD.

5. Principal's Report

- SSP Goals updated at our December PD
- December PD focused on SSP and Math and Literacy Priority
- Choir sang at Alderney Market
- December Holiday Concert
- Food Donation to Margaret's House
- Hackmatack has started for Grade 4-6
- Rocks and Rings in PE
- Green Schools visited
- New Gym lights installed
- Bingo Night
- Grade 6 Band trip and visiting Jr. High
- Grade 6s African Heritage Month bulletin board
- Diversity and Equity team meeting upcoming
- TILT coming for digital citizenship
- Maritime African Dance 30 minute workshop

6. Continued Business

7. New Business

- 2 Funding Requests from Ms. Copeman. \$300 at Tattletales for grades 3 &4 and \$250 at Tattletales for all students to support learning about Mi'kmaq and First Nations of Canada.
- Suggested moving the funding request to a google form. Anne will do this.
- Discussed the need for lunch monitors and suggested possible solutions. We will continue to ask for volunteers and post the lunch monitor job as well on HRCE careers posting. A poster at the Findlay Center might be helpful too.
- Discussed the outdoor school mural and next steps to revisit it. It was discussed with our school Diversity and Equity Team and Anne will gather more information from the previous principal and other groups previously involved.
- Decided that we would contact 3 companies to review for school photos for next year including our current photographer and possible pineapple studios , bluenose, or Harveys. Will ask them to join our April meeting or provide information we can review.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:22pm. Next meeting will be held February 22,2023 at 3:30pm in the school library.