

Oyster Pond Academy -- SAC Meeting
March 4, 2021 | 6 p.m.

In attendance: John Verlinden (Chair), Barb Gromick (Principal), Kelly Hale (Vice Principal), Margo Humphrey, Ryan Richards, Aaron Zinck, Yolanda MacDonald, Matt Coolen, Heidi Fraser and Sam Holmes

CELL PHONE USE IN SCHOOL

Recent school activity has highlighted the increased frequency of inappropriate use of cell phones among junior high students. The inappropriate activity and frequent use of cell phones puts both the youth at risk and disrupts the learning environment. OPA Administration recommended a new policy be put in place where students are asked to leave cell phones in locked and secure locations within the classroom. They will only be granted access to their phones during the lunch hour. (COVID protocols will be followed).

The SAC Committee unanimously supported the policy. Discussion also evolved to the opportunity to host learning sessions to the student and parent population about cyber safety. That will be followed up at a future meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:50 p.m.