

Meeting: Oyster Pond Academy SAC Committee

Date: June 15, 2021





Time: 7:15pm – 8:00pm

Attendance: Barb Gromick, Kelly Hale, Ryan Richards, Aaron Zinck, Margo Humphrey, Heidi Fraser, Matt Coolen, John Verlinden

Regrets: Samantha Holmes

Note Taker: Heidi Fraser

Meeting Notes:

- 2020-21 Student Survey did not go forward this year and the due to COVID, Provincial Assessments, are rescheduled to occur on the following dates in 2021-2022:
 - Grade 6 October 4-21
 - Grade 3 May 16-27
 - Grade 8 May 24-June 3
- The pivot from online learning to in class learning went really well. Teachers did great with little notice of the change. During online learning, there was enough technology in the school to be able to offer any student in need a Chrome Book/iPad or WiFi booster.
- Student Success Plan Reflection: Schools are being asked to engage in discussion and reflection regarding how the year went – the successes, the challenges, and next steps moving forward. The results of this process will inform next steps at the school, region/HRCE and provincial levels.
- Thank you to the grade 9's and especially the Evan's family for the building of our new Gaga pit. It's a huge hit with the students and a wonderful addition to our outdoor space. Discussions about the outdoor classrooms continue. Ricki Bayers was contacted regarding crusher dust to be laid in order to level the Gaga pit and classroom areas.
- As announced, elementary schools have been afforded up to \$25,000 to, either enhance existing outdoor learning spaces or to create new ones. OPA has submitted a proposed scheme and is now waiting for approval.
- SAC funds and purchases were reviewed. The funds went toward to upgrade and purchase new technology:
 -  Chromebooks for Grades 2-6
 -  iPads for Grades P-1
 -  Document Cameras
 -  New Speakers

- Fountas & Pinnell Kits to support guided reading
- Addition of more literacy resources/materials reflective of our Indigenous and ANS students.

- The P-3 focus on phonemic awareness teaching has seen big growth amongst P-3 students. This is encouraging news. Phonemic awareness will continue to be a focus into the 2021/22 school year.

- The Grade 9 year-end celebration will be different again this year due to COVID restrictions. All grade 9's will meet outside physically distanced, for lunch on Monday, June 28th. The Bandwagon food truck will be catering and everyone will receive an ESDH sweatshirt. Ms. Golding and Ms. Hale are hoping to be able to present every student with a laminated copy of their grade 9 yearbook photo and quote. Maybe a funny response to their quote can be added from the administration.

Next Meeting Date: September 28th, 2021