

Sambro Elementary School

SAC Agenda

November 7th, 2022

Attendance: Alex McPherson, Tracy MacDonald, Brooke Coll, Esther Boutilier, Darlene Blanchard, Nancy Ewing

Regrets: Pete Rose, Anna Cranston

Approval of agenda: Esther Boutilier, seconded by Brooke Coll

Approval of October minutes: Brooke Coll, seconded by Nancy Ewing

SAC Professional Development for principal and Chair: This PD will be happening on November 29th (all schools in HRCE participating). The goal of the meeting is to discuss school improvement planning and priorities. Colette will attend and update SAC at next meeting; Anna is unable to attend.

Principal's Report

- SSP: We received \$797 plus \$1 per student for our SSP grant this year. There is upcoming PD on Dec. 2nd that will focus on our school goals and short cycle action steps. This seems like it is less money than in previous years so we may ask SAC for some funds to cover monthly PLC subs. Teachers will work with another teacher to look at school goals, classroom best practice, moving students forward with reading/math goals.
- P-2 Literacy: New system for tracking data (Classroom based assessment). Teachers are utilizing it quite regularly. Using that data to help inform decisions for resources, steps for next teaching/lessons, etc.
- NSTU conference day on October 28th: Teachers participated in a variety of PD. Math, First Aid, Reading/Writing, Speech Language association.
- Math Coach: Cassandra Brown is with us and working with the 3 upper elementary teachers. Focus is on math fact fluency.

School Photography Presentations

- Harvey Studios (6:15 pm) Addressed time frame complaint by acknowledging that the sooner we book the quicker the date that we have in the fall. 4 to 6 weeks from when they are taken. Talked about the quality of the photography and how they are better set up now and have addressed this issue with having more consistent photographers, etc. When ordering online there is 52 backgrounds, 10 days to order. If families are not happy the school can call and they will come out, reshoot, or family can get money back. It is 100 percent satisfaction. Left a package with SAC to discuss pricing, extras that are included, etc (medical information cards, door name plates, teacher agendas, etc)

- Pineapple Studio (6:30 pm) \$15 prints or \$15 digital copy. More poses, more personality, modern backdrops, no complicated packages or order forms to fill in. Online orders for parents (no collection at school) Proofs available online 14 days after the shoot. Will do a day for students who have missed pictures. Class photos are done within a month. School gets: Free Digital Class Composites - School Directory Book (x3) - PowerSchool Data on USB - Free Full School Poster (see next slide)

Review of financial information

- Financial Statement : Approximately \$965 spent on guidance (books, fidgets, calming toys, board games, etc. \$270 left over for the 5 classroom teachers to use to support SSP goals.
- Request for funds - Support for SSP and literacy: Potential need for coverage to substitutes to allow for PLC time. We would like to order some decodable books as well to support students who need a different resource in order to move forward with reading behaviors/skills.

Any other business: n/a

Next Meeting : Dec. 5th? No - changed to January 16th.