Humber Park Elementary

School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 31st, 2024

Attendees: Carmel Mitchell, Kate MacLean, Jennifer Becker, Tina Waterhouse, Chris Marshall, Denise Allen

Meeting called to order: 5:15pm

-Minutes approved from last meeting

-Reviewed Agenda Items

-Introductions of members

-Welcome to Tina Waterhouse as parent member.

Principal’s Report shared with members by Ms. Mitchell:

**December Recap**

-10 Days of Peace and Christmas Bazaar successful events

-Book Fair fundraiser- profits to go to teachers to spend on classrooms

**January Recap**

-Literacy week was celebrated at school- high engagement from students

-3-6 Reading Groups have begun-engagement is great

-P-2 Reading Groups have been restructured, still trying to focus resources towards students who are ‘Still developing’ or ‘Approaching’ for Literacy

-Looking to relaunch High Fives (want to push academics)

-Art Specialist is currently completing aa Mural in the Gym (Preston Townships landmarks)

-African Nova Scotian Grant has been reinstated. (Support for ANS students)

-Breakfast Grant is being used for ‘Breakfast Club’ food items for students who need healthy food choices at school.

-School Climate- teachers commented about how students really enjoy feeling a part of the wider community through school wide activities/assemblies/school basketball games, etc. Possibility of Guidance reaching out to classes about empathy/sharing with others.

-SAC Grant money looking to be spent on whiteboard tables for each classroom, possibly buy high interest books for students not yet meeting.

**Coming up:**

-African Heritage Month events (Career Fair, Museum where community will be invited), Registration month, Basketball Games with a few schools are scheduled.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, March, 6th 5:15**