

SAC MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance: Audriana Paul, Karli Aucoin, Juliana Paul, Carrie Miller, Kathy Weatherbee, Sarah Lennerton, Abby MacLeod, Davinder Rambelli

Regrets: Jenn Curtis, Dylan Bergmark

Agenda items

I. Greetings

II. Connection

- Audriana led the group in a connection game

III. Principal's Report

- See Principals Report Attached

IV. Update

a) Debrief, Propose Table

- Audriana opened the floor for a debrief on discussions around police presence at TRES. Kathy provided information from recent conversations with Truro Police officials. At these meetings, Kathy brought forth ideas and requests that would enable TRES to continue working with Truro Police in a way that would limit student and staff re-traumatization. Amongst these changes, TPS agreed to park at the rear parking lot, to limit visibility of the police cruiser, and it was determined that the school resource officer will only be present when volunteering or delivering in-class presentations, which parents will be made aware of in advance. Discussion are on-going on whether it will be possible for the resource officer to wear a golf shirt, rather than his full uniform, and whether he can refrain from bringing his gun into the school.
- The group was supportive of the establishment of a sub-committee for the purpose of further examining police presence at TRES through a trauma-informed lens.

b) SAC Survey

- The group completed the portion of the SAC survey that necessitated collaboration.

V. New Business

a) Winder Festival




- The group discussed the Winter Festival. The following details were finalized:
- The winter carnival will take place on January 30th
- The school will attempt to source three trees – birch fir and olive. Honoring the different backgrounds and traditions within the student body. Students will have the opportunity to create decorations and ornaments to be displayed on the trees
- There will be a food court in the cafeteria, where families will be encouraged to make foods/baked goods that families can purchase with the proceeds supporting TRES
- There will be performance opportunities in the gym
- A statement will be made as soon as possible so that families can expect this event after the holiday season, and know that there will be an opportunity to gather and see their child perform if they choose to do so
- There will be an art gallery component for the event, with students art displayed.

b) Open townhouse for parents

- The group decided that a google form will be created to create a process to address parents’ concerns to be addressed at SAC meetings. Parents will be given the option to disseminate info for consideration, or to have their concern added to the next meeting’s agenda, where a 10 minute time slot will be allocated to ensure regular business can be conducted.
- It was agreed that SAC funds would be used to support components of the Winter Festival

VI. Adjournment

ACTION ITEMS	OWNER(S)
Establish sub-committee on police presence at TRES	Audriana, Abby
Draft a statement to parents re: on Winter Festival	Kathy
Create google form and draft statement	Abby, Audriana, Kathy
Source trees/popcorn for Winter Festival	Kathy

 **Location:** TRES
 **Date:** 11/23/23
 **Time:** 5:00PM