

**Cobequid Educational Centre
School Advisory Council Meeting
December 6, 2021**

Present:

Bill Kaulbach – Principal

Staff

Delcina Dixon
Renelle John
Garett Nickelo

Students

Jaegar Laird – Grade 11
Tara Agha-Abbasi – Grade 12
Ryan Lavoie – Grade 12
Reham Al Radi – Grade 11
Keandre Paris – Grade 10

Community

Leanne Marchand
Christina Toole

Parents

Lisa Gracey – Virtual
Katrina Murphy – Virtual
Greg Porter
Tamara Powell

Regrets

Kelly Bartlett (staff)

1. **INTRODUCTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP**

Through an expression of interest, the following positions were filled on the SAC:

- Chair – Lisa Gracey
- Vice-Chair – Christina Toole
- Secretary - Renelle John

2. **COVID at CEC**

Since the start of the 2021-2022 school year, CEC continues to have had no positive cases of COVID in the school.

There were precautionary notification letters set out to parents for the following buses:

- Bus 100 (AM run only) for Nov. 17, 18 and / or 19
- Bus 100 (AM run only) for Nov. 22
- Bus 191 (AM & PM runs) for Nov. 23 and / or 24

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Signage has been posted around the school to continue encouraging the use of masks indoors, as well as to indicate that proof of vaccination is required to enter certain spaces.

CEC Employees:

Two teachers were placed on unpaid leave as of Dec. 1 for not providing Proof of Vaccination to their employer. Both of these positions have been filled with qualified substitutes.

Between September 7 and November 30, CEC was unable to fill 49 positions with substitute teachers due to an ongoing shortage of substitute teachers in the region.

3. **SAC BUDGET**

\$6407.00 – Must be spent by June 2022

Last year this money was used towards CEC Scholarship and Awards. Any suggestions or questions regarding the use of these funds, please ask.

4. **NEW 'SCHOOL CASH' PROGRAM**

CCRCE offers [SchoolCash Online](#) as our preferred method of payment for all school fees, including everything from field trips to yearbooks.

The plan moving forward is to have all fees paid through this system. However, students will still have the option to pay in-person.

SchoolCash Online helps families and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly, and easily. Schools post their items and activities and assign the relevant fees to your student, so you can then pay for the fees online using your credit card. This allows you to stay informed about upcoming school activities while keeping track of the school fees that require your attention.

Register today in less than two minutes by simply visiting <https://ccrce.schoolcashionline.com/> and clicking **Register** to get started. Should you encounter any difficulties, please contact the SchoolCash Online parent help desk by visiting schoolcashionline.com/Home/Support.

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5. NOURISHMENT AT SCHOOL

CCRCE is committed to providing access to healthy food for all students during the school day. This year, CCRCE is renewing that commitment, and will be working hard to make sure that all foods served and sold in our schools follow **Canada's Food Guide** (*this doesn't include the foods students bring for their individual lunch and snacks*). We will continue to offer healthy breakfast and snack programs, and this year, we're aiming to offer vegetables and fruits more often. We are also working to enhance school cafeteria menus to ensure all food sold aligns with Canada's Food Guide, making the healthy choice the easy choice!

6. SYSTEM-WIDE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

During the morning of November 26, CEC staff participated in a professional development session led by the school's Instructional Leads. The focus was on Tiers 1 and 2 of the Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS), an approach which helps teachers make better-informed teaching practices, as it relates to inclusive education.

7. CEC SSP (STUDENT SUCCESS PLANNING) UPDATE

A short micro-survey is expected to be done by all students next week via Google Forms. This survey is based on the provincial SSP survey; however, the questions are aligned to reflect the CEC student experience.

SAC Members reviewed a draft version of the survey and provided the following suggestions:

- For the question, "Have you experienced or witness racism, discrimination, or homophobia and/or transphobia at school this year?", remove the phrase "this year".
- Add the question, "Have you felt that your teachers / school staff have singled you out because of your race/gender/cultural identity/religion/etc.?"

Next meeting is set for Monday, February 7, 2022 at 5:00 PM in Centre 2.