

## School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Location: MRHS Library

Date: May 7, 2025; Time: 3:30 pm

Attendees:

Staff— Principal Rushton, Angela MacKenzie, Ernest Paddock, Cynthia Steele Wood

Student representation— Lauren Smith

Community representation—Pat McCurdy, Sharon Arsenault

Parent representation—Percilla Keizer

Regrets: Anne Warburton, Melissa Bonnell, Erinn Smith, Emma Horne, Peter Kozier

### Discussion items

1. Call to order
2. Approval of last meeting's minutes
3. Approval of meeting agenda
4. **Student Report from Student Council**
  - a. Please see attached report
5. **SAC Chair Report**-captured in notes below
6. **O2 Report**
  - a. Please see attached report
7. **Principal's Report**
  - a. Please see attached
8. **Old Business**
  - a. Multi-use active transportation trail project planning has begun
  - b. SAC funding
    - i. Principal Rushton working with teachers to identify equipment and material needs for their classrooms for the \$5K SAC budget.
    - ii. Dept. of Education Innovation Fund yet - deadline June 13
  - c. Sport related:
    - i. Mustang Run Sept. 28
  - d. Community related
    - i. Mobile food market project starting up. Volunteer opportunities for students.
9. **New Business: Change in Principal next year. Principal Rushton is moving to a new position as Student Services Facilitator at HRCE.**
10. **Adjournment**

Next Meeting: June 11, 2025

Action items	Who	Timing
Contact Alison King about SAC Innovation Fund; will or won't it happen?	Anne	Before next mtg
Principal Rushton to finalize SAC fund expenditures	Joanne	Before next mtg
Liaise with Principal Rushton to coordinate a Design Charette with MRSH Students for the Active Transportation project now underway.	Anne	Before next mtg
Provide MRHS with info about Mobile Market volunteer opportunities.	Emma and Sharon	Before end of May

### Student Report May

### Student Council Elections

This month elections for various student council positions will be taking place. We have decided to refine the positions available and the tasks associated with each so that everyone has a clear understanding of their responsibilities and the importance of their participation. Positions for the 2025-2026 school year include,

- President (1-2)
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Communications Representative
- Events Team (previously arts, sports and events reps)
- Senior Representative (previously grade 10, 11, 12 reps)
- Junior Representative (previously grade 7, 8, 9 reps)

### Spirit Week

Our end of year/summer spirit week will be held from June 2nd - 6th

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Comfy Day	Uniform Day	Dress like something starting with your initial	Dress like a teacher	Class Colours

## **O2 Report:**

- Visitor from NS Health, Scott Carter on May 6/25. He is a representative of the public relations team for NS Health, discussing all the opportunities and incentives that go along with careers at NS Health.
- May 14, Agricultural Expo trip to Truro with Ms. Mackey & Mr. Brodin.
- O2 interviews took place on April 28, 29. Ms. Baker joined us for the interviews and she is returning on June 6 and will continue on as the O2 coordinator next year. Acceptance letters have been sent. There will be 18 students in the O2 grade 10 cohort for the 2025-26.

## **SAC- Principal Report**

### **What's happening at MRHS:**

- We were able to secure a YHC coordinator on Tuesdays until the end of June. Krista Morrison-MacDonald is coming from Sackville High School.
- Our Grad class of 2025 had a very successful Merchandise Bingo on April 25 at the Upper Musq Community centre - \$3100 raised.
- The course selection process is finishing up this week.
- Pizza for PISA-What is PISA? The Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) is an important international assessment that measures the skills and knowledge of 15-year-old students in science, mathematics, and reading. The PISA assessment will be conducted on Thursday, May 15 from 9:00 am -12 noon.
- Upcoming Grade 8 Provincial Assessments are scheduled to take place over the next few weeks.

### **The assessments will be conducted in two parts:**

- Reading & Writing: Wednesday, May 21 and Thursday, May 22 (morning only)
- Mathematics: Wednesday, May 28 and Thursday, May 29 (morning only)

Please note that all assessments will be held in the morning only on the above dates.

- Upcoming important events/dates:
  - Thursday, May 29: MRHS Awards night (doors open at 6:30; starts at 7pm) *\*This is a change from the date sent out at the beginning of the year.*
  - Tuesday, June 10: Year End Band Concert
  - Thursday, June 12: Junior Year End Semi-Formal Dance (6:30-8:30 pm)
  - June 19-25 High School Final Assessments

- Tuesday, June 24 - Senior High Prom (8-10 pm: Grads announced on the stairs at 7:45pm)
- Friday, June 27 - Graduation@ 10:30 am

Student Success Planning (SSP): Short Cycle Planning:

We are continuing with Cycle 3 Strategies/Actions as presented at the meeting in April.

J.Rushton