Brookhouse Elementary School Advisory Council Meeting

Date: Thursday October 5th, 2023

<u>Attendance</u>: Tyler Rutledge (Principal)

Charmaine Willis (African Student Support Worker)

Melanie Muzzerall (Vice Principal)

Fran Daigle (Parent Representative)

Jenn Stewart (Grade Primary Teacher)

Jillian - (Parent Representative)

Belinda Oxner

Absent: D'Arcy Morris-Poultney

<u>Introductions</u>: Welcome new parent representative, Jillian!

Election of Executive:

Chair - Fran

Vice - Chair - Jillian

Secretary - Jenn

<u>Principal's Report</u>: The transition back to school for September was extremely smooth and successful in all areas of the school, grades primary - five.

Class sizes are at capacity and there continues to be many new enrollments within the school (seven last week).

The student success plan for Brookhouse students was discussed. The goals are similar to last year, with a focus on African Nova Scotian and Indigenous learners. Brookhouse staff will look at the strategies to target student success and look at areas for improvement and how to strategize for student achievement.

Uninterrupted Instructional Time was discussed and how the benefits of extra support was successful in student achievement last year. It was noted that due to the grade six move, Uninterrupted Instructional Time will be less this year due to staffing availability and schedules.

Fact fluency for grades four - six was discussed and has been implemented within HRCE. Primary - three has been given some professional learning time in September and are informally/formally implementing this within their daily practice.

Our Brookhouse Hockey Game/Trip Fundraiser was discussed. With the student population count, we may raise less money for student learning/supplies/resources, but we are already in the positive!

Brookhouse will welcome a Math Coach at the end of the month to work with teachers and within classrooms.

Drainage on lower elementary playground was discussed. HRCE Operations have been contacted to look at the water/duck/drainage issue.

Healthy Hunger and Lunch Lady food orders are being utilized this year with pizza from Healthy Hunger on Tuesday and The Lunch Lady on Wednesday and Friday.

Questions/Comments/ Wrap Up: New librarian has begun and library class have started!

Next Meeting Date: November 30th, 2023, 6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m