St. Stephen's Elementary School School Advisory Council (SAC)

SAC Meeting – Draft Minutes

January 12, 2021 5:15PM, Via Zoom

Meeting called by: Julie Delnegro, Chair

Regrets: Julie Delnegro, Colin Coady, Janessa Williams

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1.	Welcome, Introductions,	Dave
2.	Approval of minutes from November 2020 meetings (<i>Please read in advance</i>)	Postponed until February meeting
3.	New Membership	Amanda Meisner has offered to sit on our SAC as we have one vacant Community Member seat to fill. Amanda lives in the community and is a teacher with the HRCE.
4.	Administration Update	Dave Madgett/ Roslyn Young
		Remembrance Day service was prerecorded, and included scenes of wreath laying, and presentations by a few classes. The Boston Tree came to the school in late November, and this was shown on the news. Some classes followed the trip of the tree to Boston online. Virtual Parent-Teacher was held and was well-received and well-attended. Professional Development was held about confronting anti-black racism. Staff completed a self-assessment tool about where they are on their journey of confronting anti-black racism. December saw a week of school spirit days, including jerseys, hat\hair, pj day. January professional development week was spent largely on preparing for online learning in the event that we need to pivot to that at any point during the year. Hot Lunches using the Healthy Hunger online ordering system will be beginning in mid-January. At the outset, we will have two lunch offerings, Papa Mario's Pizza and Pita Pit.

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	End of January will have literacy week and information about that will be sent home soon. A grant from Healthy Schools was received for outdoor play supplies: Snow brick makers; shovels, tarps and bungee cords to create shelters.
5. Covid-19 Update	Dave Families have been asking to be able to leave sneakers at school, but we are asking that we all stay the course and continue to bring things back and forth every day, as shifting to online learning is a possibility at any time.
6. Student Success Plan/PD Update	Dave Madgett/ Roslyn Young Our focus has been on preparing for online learning in the event that Teachers have planned and scheduled online learning schedules, and prepared families for times that students will be expected to be in synchronous and asynchronous learning.
7. SAC Budget discussion	Dave Madgett/Roslyn Young Teachers have requested the funds for three projectors to be installed in auxiliary rooms (kitchen, etc). In the event that we pivot to Plan B, which reduces the class-sizes to 15 students, these rooms will be used as classrooms. The cost of these projectors, and installation will be about \$4700. As we do not have a quorum at this meeting, we will reconvene SAC to meet and address a motion to approve these funds.
8. Other	Discussion about the use of movies and shows during lunch time, and ensuring that the selected media is suitable for the audience. Next meeting: February 9, 2021.