

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Minutes
Colby Village Elementary School (CVES)

June 4, 2025, 6 pm

Attendance: Naomi Kelloway (Acting Principal), Nicola Babstock (Staff), Felicia MacRae (Chair), Heather Neish (Secretary), Joyce Diamond MacKay

Regrets: Tara Tanton, Paul Bailey, Jacqueline Holland, Jenny McCarthy, Amanda Crabtree, Peter Redmond

1. Meeting called to order

2. June Activities

- All classes will attend a field trip this month. Grades P-6 will attend the NS International Tattoo. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is hosting a bouncy castle for all grades this week. The Spring Fair held in May was a success and raised money that will be invested back into the school. The last day of school is June 30, from 8:25-10:30am.

3. New 2025-2026 HRCE Calendar

- The calendar is posted on the HRCE website. The first day of school is September 4. The last day of school is June 30. The calendar applies to all public schools in Nova Scotia.

4. iPads were purchased

- The school has purchased 6 iPads with SAC money and they will be shared amongst the lower grades. They will be ready for use in September.

5. Hug a Tree

- A. Crabtree suggested the school host a presenter from Hug a Tree next year. The program educates students on what to do if they find themselves lost in the woods. N. Kelloway will research the cost and options. The committee agreed that it's a worthwhile program and should be explored.

6. School Success Plan (SSP) Review

- No new data at this time.

- Micro survey: The school will distribute micro surveys to all students asking students how they feel about school. All submissions are anonymous. If issues are identified, staff will have classroom conversations about the topic and address them.

- N. Kelloway submitted a year end SSP report to HRCE.

7. End of year SAC Report

- N. Kelloway submits an end of year SAC report which includes expenditures, membership and will include milestones such as the literature circles, the request for crosswalk lights, essential conversations that were held about math and literacy and securing iPads for the classrooms.

8. SAC Finances

- There is \$300 remaining in the budget. The committee members agreed to purchase new books.

- The lunch hour clubs were a great success this year and the committee discussed expanding and further supporting them next year.

9. Meeting Adjournment

- SAC is looking for more community members.

Meeting adjourned.