

## EREC School Advisory Council

Minutes of October 5, 2020 – 3:00 pm

In attendance: Sonya Sauvé, Janet Carter, Billy Cotton, Brandy Touesnard, , Lisette MacDonald

Meeting called to Order.

### School Report

We had a social distance Terry Fox Walk, one class at a time. Had orange shirt day and Treaty Day. We marked those days at school.

As far as COVID goes, all school principals were asked to prepare plans for scenario B. September was a full return to school with everybody in regular classes and regular programming. If something were to happen, we would move to scenario B. We had to prepare Plan b which means every teacher got information about what classes they would be teaching, what rooms they would be moving into. So instead of having 12 homerooms we would have 18. they would be smaller class sizes to allow for the complete social distancing, for the 6 feet between students if we have to move to plan B. What would happen is that we would lose all of our support teachers. So, all of our resource teachers and classroom support teachers would have to teach a class. Classes would be between 11 and 16 students. With smaller class sizes teachers would be able to address individual needs better. Students who need support outside the classroom would not be happening since those teachers will be reassigned. That plan has been created and shared with staff.

Nourish your roots program has been moved out of the school. They are not allowed to come into the school. The community has taken over distributing boxes that were done this year. Scott Goyetche is our health promoting school's person. He's looking at ways to try and get it going again next year. When he gets information, he will pass it along to the schools.

SAC has about \$10,000 in our SAC account, money left over from last year and \$5,000 from this year. We are encouraged to spend it. It hasn't been common practice to carry it over from one year to the next, so we are going to spend it. Some will be spent on classroom resources, we have some requests from teachers, the Canadian Reader for a subscription for English and Immersion classes with is about \$400 for the year. Sonya will email SAC members if a teacher request's something that is needed right away. We also need 2 Chromebook carts. We're hoping to get some technology. The province is pushing to get technology in the hands of kids, if we have to move into blended or home learning. We have a Chromebook for every student from grade 3/4 and up in the immersion side and from grades 4/5 and up in the English side. Each student will have a Chromebook to take home if we have to go to home learning. Some places don't have high speed internet which will make it difficult to use the Chromebook.

Students are adjusting well. They are getting outside regularly for music class, gym class and recess. Students are glad to be back to school, seeing their friends and interacting. Not the same online etc.

Meeting date is set for November 2, 2020 at 3:00.