

Dartmouth High School  
School Advisory Council

Chairperson: Paul Black  
c/o Dartmouth High School  
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## Minutes for Meeting on September 23rd, 2024 - 5:30pm

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### 1. PRESENT

- Eartha Mondard, Phillip MacEachern, Terri-Lynn Rapitta, Shirlene Dancause, Jane Brison  
Regrets: Paul Black

### 2. CALL TO ORDER

- Terri-Lynn Rapitta called the meeting to order.

### 3. AGENDA – was approved as circulated.

### 4. MINUTES – Minutes of the June 10th, 2024 meeting were approved, no amendments. Approvals: Melanie Ellis, Shirlene Duncan

### 5. New Schools:

- The Honorable Becky Druhan announced that four new schools will be built in Timberlea, Middle Sackville, Port Wallace and Bedford. As well, a site on Radcliffe Drive has been selected for the Clayton Park-Fairview Junior High School that was promised in 2018.

### 6. SAC Conference:

- Conference to be held at the Halifax Convention Centre in downtown Halifax on September 27th. Phillip MacEachern and Terri-Lynn Rapitta to attend the conference.

### 7. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Provincial cell phone directive.
  - Principals met to collaborate regarding directive to ensure consistency of implementation.
  - Letter sent home to parents/guardians.
  - Student meetings occurred during assemblies on the first day of school. Message well received by grades 9 & 10, some push back from grades 11 & 12.
  - First referral is a warning with review of the directive. Second office referral is a suspension.
  - Headphones or other devices are not permitted.
- Ms. Jessie Pothier will be the new DHS Athletics Director for 2024-25.

- Ms. Jamie Bent (SchoolsPlus) on leave for Semester 1, Luke Creighton will be filling her role in her absence.
- Ms. Laurette McGaughey on leave, Lisa Boucher filling in for her (Monday to Wednesday) at this time.
- Ms. Winship had 15 students sign up to participate in the Mayor’s Bike Ride activity. DHS bikes were serviced for the event and CAA contributed \$1,000.00 to the effort. Ms. Winship is continuing as the DHS Golf Coach for the 2024-25 school year.
- Prom 2025 - No parent/guardian volunteers at this time. Parents advised of need during DHS Curriculum Night Session.
- Annual Student Success Survey results reviewed. PD Nov 11th to review SSP goals and Short Cycle Planning.
- Math Boot Camp was a big success. Program was organized and run by Ms. Sarah Conde.
- Peace Conference follow-up. Students provided with strategies to build a peaceful toolbox. This will be an ongoing effort including reflection on the conference, where we are, where we are going. Follow-up assemblies planned.
- Last year, there was an anonymous donation of \$2,500 donated to Schools Plus for the community pantry.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- None to report

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

- None to report.

**10. NEXT MEETING**

- The next meeting will be held on Nov 4th, 2024.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**Paul Black, Chairperson**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_