



School Advisory Council Annual Report – June 2019

School	Shatford Memorial Elementary School
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Please list SAC members including names, membership type (i.e., parent, community member, staff), and role (i.e., Chair, Vice Chair).

Partner	Name
▪ Principal	Michelle Andrews
▪ Parent	Jennifer Raven (Chair)
▪ Parent	Shaina Falcone
▪ Teacher	Rebecca Stone
▪ Staff	Liz Fossberg
▪ Community	Jo Beckett
▪ Community	Paula Brigley

Please describe a summary of work undertaken by the SAC to improve student achievement and school performance.

Shatford Memorial Elementary School is a small school located in Hubbards, Nova Scotia. The SAC takes pride in all the students at SMES. We are supportive of the many opportunities provided this year to help students achieve academic success and increased school performance.

As a School Advisory Council, we are supporting the literacy and math goals within the Student Success plan and work at providing opportunities and resources for the students so they can have enhanced learning experiences. The SAC Committee is committed to supporting the over all well-being of the students and has allocated funds to purchase flexible seating and contributed to the development of outdoor student engagement spaces.

The students and teachers at Shatford Memorial wanted to create more outdoor learning, activity and shade areas. To achieve this they wanted to add a ground level platform with a gazebo type structure on one end of the space. A platform will provide a gathering space and create a little space between the students and the ticks, which are plentiful here in Hubbards. Students and teachers also expressed an interest in having more seating areas outside. SAC funds, allowed for the purchase of foldable picnic tables to create a portable learning space. In addition to the larger gazebo project, the purchase of two pop up canopies will provide shaded outdoor portable classroom space.

In addition to the outdoor learning spaces, we are also looking for ways to enhance the painted pavement markings on the basketball pad. The four-square markings need a refresh but students and teachers also wanted to create a plan of non-traditional schoolyard paint markings that would encourage students to be active and move.

Additionally the SAC worked collaboratively with a community group interested in securing funding to purchase a speed sentry radar sign. Ben Davis a parent/community member took the lead on this project. Interest in this topic began in 2014, including looking at traffic-calming strategies. Traffic speeds and crosswalk safety has been a concern along highway 3 for several years. With the SAC's support, the community group received a grant of \$7000 from Matt Whitman's office towards the purchase of the speed radar sign. Ben Davis continues to work on securing the remaining funds needed to purchase the sign and identifying an appropriate designate or group to manage the usage of the sign.

Please list any significant milestones and success stories that the SAC would like to highlight.

- Supporting the Outdoor student engagement project
- Supporting flexible seating purchases
- Provided non-financial support in the application for community group to seek grant support to address traffic and speed concerns along main road in the community

Please describe any related sub-committee work undertaken by SAC members (e.g., School Options Committee).

N/A

Statements of Revenues and Expenditures:

Expenditures supporting the school improvement plan (e.g., providing resources to support math and literacy instruction).

On December 17th, 2018, \$3554.00 was received for the remaining fiscal year (April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019). With these funds, the SAC was able to provide the following opportunities for students:

- Flexible seating
- Portable outdoor classroom equipment
- Funds to support the completion of the outdoor student engagement project
- Funds to support the non-traditional pavement markings

Expenditures supporting policy development and implementation (e.g., supporting and promoting new policies).

N/A

Expenditures covering operational expenses; up to 20 per cent of provincial SAC funding may be used as operational expenses, if necessary, to encourage and support member participation).

N/A

Please return to School Administration Supervisor by Thursday, June 21st, 2019. Thank you.