# SAC MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 5, 2026, 4:30 pm

**Duc d'Anville Elementary School**
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**ATTENDANCE** Nicholas Graham, Anne Martin, Jane Newton, Sarah Barron (acting vice principal), Nancy Taylor, Amy Weedon (principal), Alanna Menzies

**REGRETS** n/a

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| call to order | 4:32 pm | adjournment | 5:26 pm |
| approval of agenda | moved: Anne Martin | seconded: Nancy Taylor | |
| approval of minutes | moved: Nancy Taylor | seconded: Nicholas Graham | |

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## NOTES

Principal's report: (see attached)

- Enrolment dropped to 469 students, and as a result the school lost one classroom (reconfigured from 20 to 19). Mr. (Will) Colpitts was declared surplus and moved to another school.
- Pre-primary: down to two classrooms from three.
- There are two empty classrooms in the school.
- Staffing: Incoming Vice Principal Rosalyn Young on leave. Ms. Barron is Acting Vice Principal till January.
- New African Nova Scotian student support worker: Penny Carter (from Fairview)

SSP

- Not developed yet this year. Will be done in October.
- Worked on writing on Sept. 25 PD day. Writing scores were low last year.
- No school psychologist (on leave), but HRCE has a regional psychologist supporting schools who lack one.
- Grade 6: RWM assessment (reading, writing, math). Fully online.
- All classes will write practice test at the same time to test the server
- LM3 results will be released shortly. Will present results in November.

Events

- Terry Fox Run this Friday.
- Cross-country meet at the end of October.
- PTA event on October 5; hoping to have a Halloween party.

Funds

- Balance: $5544 (not including this year's amount). Paid for mural in front of school.
- One field trip was outstanding from last year (Atlantic Splash).

- Mr. Stevenson wants to spend about $1000-$2000 on gym equipment. Funds might come from the school budget and SAC funds.
- Gym time and music time for Learning Centre students is being increased since there is extra time for these teachers.

SAC membership

- Bylaws/agreement were revised last spring, but HRCE/EECD wouldn't accept them for technical reasons. Ms. Weedon will figure out how to submit them.
- Ms. Weedon to send out e-mail to parents to invite new members. A teacher member is needed as well.

Future Meeting dates

- November 9
- December 7
- February 8
- April 19
- June 14

Discussion

- Jane is still hoping to have a mud kitchen and gaga ball pit purchased for the school.
- Mr. Stevenson has been putting out rack of balls for kids to play with on the strip at lunchtime.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- Ms. Weedon to e-mail parents to invite new members to join the SAC

**Duc d'Anville Administration Report**

**October 2026**

## SAC Finances

- Our current balance is $5544.55

**Enrollment** (469) We had to reconfigure because of smaller class sizes. We had a reduction in staffing. Will Colpitts was declared surplus. We now have 19 classes instead of 20 classes. We also have gone down from 3 pre primary classes to 2.

**Staffing** VP Roslyn Young is on leave and Sarah Barron has accepted the Acting Vice Principal position.

**Student Success Plan (will be developing this month)**

**Literacy Goal:** We will improve student achievement in **literacy**, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

**Mathematics Goal:** We will improve student achievement in **mathematics**, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

**Well-being Goal:** We will improve student achievement in **well-being**, with a specific focus on our students of African and/or Mi'kmaw/Indigenous ancestry.

The mural was painted in July and is a beautiful addition to the school. I received a couple of texts from past colleagues who happened to be in the neighborhood.

RWM6 will be written this month. This year the assessment will be online. Teachers are currently preparing students to write the assessments. Practice dates are October 8 and 14

The LM3 results will be released in the next couple of weeks, and we will present that information in November.

**Events**: Terry Fox run, Cross Country (Mr. Stevenson will identify students during cross country), PTA meeting tonight will determine more.