



Pictou Academy School Advisory Council

Date: February 21, 2024

Location: PA Library/Resource Centre

In Attendance: Ed Hawkins, Dom Laybolt, Sarah Maharaj, Ann Porter, Jami McDowell, Chloe MacEachern, Jillian English, Tina Johnston, , Starr Pettipas

Special Guests: Luke Young and Daphne Egilsson (PAEF) and Rebecca Martin (Vice Principal)

Business

- Approval of minutes
- Suggestions for a community member - Claire Steele.
- PAEF presentation by Luke and Daphne. They met with MLA Karla MacFarlane and the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development Becky Druhan and discussed the future of Pictou Academy. A proposal was made for a new PA gymnasium and auditorium. It was suggested in their meeting the need to bring their plan to the SAC. It was discussed with the group the support needed to move this forward and the need for a plan in the proposal. A plan will be made to share the information with the Acting Regional Executive Director and offer for her to visit PA to see the current gymnasium. SAC were all in favor of moving forward on this proposal.
- School Updates were shared:
 - Inclusive Scan completed
 - Exams/Term 2
 - Longterm sub - Nick Sanders
 - Student of the Month
 - Sports - basketball, hockey, ski
 - Community Outreach placements - Schools Plus/Mental Health
 - Lt Governor nominees

New Business

- Karyn Cooling, Acting Regional Executive Director, and Blair MacDonald, Director of School Administration, and Erin Cormier, FOSS/Celtic.
- SAC Grant was shared with committee and potential areas that could be explored to apply
- Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be on April 16 at 6pm (changed from April 17)