**Astral Drive Elementary School**

SAC Meeting Minutes

May 2025

**Attendance:** Gail Stevens, Heather Hines, Ken MacDonald, Tanya MacNeil, Karen McNamara and Mark Smith

**Absent:** Jennifer Moriarty, Justin Sheppard, and Latoya Monminie

**Drills:** There is one fire drill left to complete; all other drills have been completed for the year.

**Safe Schools:** Staff have developed a new behaviour expectation matrix (2) and mission statement for next school year. School community and families will all be made aware of the expectations.

**Fun Stuff:** 😊 Teachers had an “Underground Spirit Week” where they dressed in similar colors, wore hats, mismatched shoes etc., but didn’t tell the students, it was fun, especially when the students caught on. The Art Competition went over very well, and chess, crib, and other clubs have been well attended. Currently, it is Growth Mind Set Week, where each day is a chance to challenge ourselves. Upcoming events include field trips, Teacher Lip Sync Battle, Talent Shows, Field Day and Grade 6 Closing.

**Next School Year:** New modular, removal of portables, new paving and new playground should be completed by September.

**SAC Funds:** Money was spent on Skipping presentations, Whole Phonics decodable books and 2 new bike racks. The money for the bike racks however, will be saved until the rest of the outdoor enhancements are complete so we can find the best spot for the bike racks.

**Data:** As always, we continue to collect reading and math data. The data collected in June will be compared to September’s data to see any growth and change in our students.

**Next Year:** New staff include Carol Ann Larade (principal), Mary Dowden-Marrie (vice principal), Charity Buchanan (1 eng), Crystal MacArthur (4/5 eng), Gillian Chafe (resource), Lisa Kloucek, Kristen Taylor and Angela White (epas). As of right now there will be 10 English classes and 9 French Immersion classes.

**Report:** The SAC annual report will be completed by mid-June and will be sent to members.