

# Highland Park Junior High School Advisory Council

## MEETING AGENDA

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**October 8, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order
  - Introduction of new members of the SAC, met the new administration (Mr MacNeil - Vice principal).
2. Approval of agenda
  - Agenda was approved.
3. Principal's Report
  - Staffing changes – new teachers, Mr. MacNeil's role change and posting of his role.
  - Enrollment for 2024-2025: 144 kids (2 homerooms per grad level)
  - Pier 21 Quilt returned to school (Quilt celebrating African Heritage Month based on our student's quilt square designs) Discussion on how to honour the quilt.
  - Athletics update on soccer and volleyball; coaching opportunities and community engagement
  - Student Leadership launched – increase school spirit, social activities etc.
  - Continue focus on student voice – Focus groups & micro-surveys
  - Attendance Tracker
  - Four foundational learning questions: how are you doing in all of your subject areas? How do you know? Where might you go for assistance? What are your goals and next steps?
  - Professional Learning – 2024-2025 priorities and student success planning
  - African Nova Scotia Achievement Grant
  - Website revamped
  - SAC Conference September 2024 – lunch program, school metrics, approach to mathematics, student success planning etc.
4. Highland Park Jr High Basketball Court Initiative
  - Basketball court selected for a complete overhaul, funded by Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment Foundation.
    - o Planning & design to kick off April 2025 with the work to be completed by end of June 2025.
5. Funding requests
  - N/A
6. Public Input
  - Lack of engagement within the Mulgrave Park community, how do we increase engagement and restore trust within the community.
7. Adjournment
  - The meeting ended at 7:30.
  - Next meeting – November 5 @ 6pm