

LeMarchant-St. Thomas  
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC): Minutes

June 17th, 2025

**Members Present**

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**Regrets**

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Last Meeting June 17th, 2025

1. **Review and approval of minutes**

Members approved the minutes from the May 20th meeting.

1. **Additions of any other business to the agenda**

No additions

1. **Discussion of New Business**

Membership for next year- Bronwyn term is finished

Will need to advertise for community member for French immersion, can be done during the ice cream social and the parents can vote.

1. **Administration Update & Student Success Planning Discussion**

Theme of the month is *Teamwork*

Registration update: Currently, 61 students are registered for French immersion and 5 for the English stream. The process is ongoing

Congratulations to Gabe for his new role as the Principal at Inglis Street Elementary. Congratulations to Kim Gallivan for accepting the position of Vice Principal at LMST

Lots of new staff hired for the new school year

Track and field meet for grad 4-6

Halifax Public Library visited to promote their new reading program.

Bilingual music performance- razzmatazz

June 13th 9 students went to provincial heritage fair at SMU for the day and presented their projects.

Grade 6 trip to Brigadoon was successful, there was a full day and lots of activities

June 23rd will be field day/games day for the higher elementary and June 26th for grades 2-3.

Musical reveal for next year is Annie jr. Grades 4-6 will all be involved with the musical practices.

Supply list for next year and calendar will be sent with the newsletter at the end of the year.

April 30th PD Day- discussion regarding the new code of conduct. New provincial safe school strategy and the code of conduct.

Focus was on proactive and preventative conduct; these go hand in hand with the themes of the month.

LMST is one of the few schools that have a vision statement, staff have looked at the vision statement and updated it. New vision will teach behaviours that the school want to see (this is a beginning draft). All staff have input. SAC gave input. Mr. Cunningham agreed to get input on the vision statement from the grade 6’s.

Lou’s guide to great behavior: instruction on how to play on the playground, how to be respectful in the universal bathroom or when there is a guest teacher. Idea is to teach the behavior we want to see and is not meant to replace the class rules.

Feedback from Hideyo: examples helped to understand what the word means (i.e.: respect), helps with consistency across all the classrooms and ways the kids can be mindful. LMST is already doing a lot to lead to a positive climate in the school.

**Student success plan**

Winding down for the year.

Has been a good year for literacy and math

**Set date for next meeting**

SAC adjourned until September