

ATIKOKAN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL
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School Council for Atikokan High School continued in its tradition of supporting student learning with regular meetings, discussing topics such as the student/parent handbook, transportation including athletic fees, Board strategic planning, mental health and facility planning for the future. Our Council members are: Beth Fairfield (Principal), Joanne Spencer (chair), Jeff Lehman (community representative and secretary), Darryl Gannon, Nancy Pitura, Bonnie Clairmont, Anna Fotheringham (parent representatives), Sylvie Cyr (teacher representative), Chloe Matura (student representative).

Policies related to the student/parent handbook were reviewed to help support safe schools and athletic eligibility. Athletics were discussed in terms of fees, and transportation discussion included the broader range of activities such as Outers and Arts programming.

School Council reviewed the Board Strategic Planning process, receiving input from the "Student Voice," as student representatives from across the Board provided their viewpoints. Mental Health was the focus for a jointly planned evening, with funding through the Parent Reach Out grant - we worked with North Star Council to plan a family wellness night entitled "Be Well Together."

Our School Council was represented at the Regional Parental Involvement Committee Symposium held in Thunder Bay April 29, 2017.

Both Atikokan High and North Star School Councils remain busy, with representatives from each Council participating in the School Accommodation Review, as the Board plans for future facilities to best support student learning and achievement.

Our meetings took place on September 13, November 15, December 13, February 14, April 11, May 9 and June 5. We encourage parents to become part of School Council and look forward to next year.