



PSSC Minutes

Chair: Jamie Foster

Meeting Room: HES Library

Date: February 8, 2016

Meeting Time: 6:30-7:30

Present (✓) Regrets (R)

✓	Mrs. Blanchard	✓	Sue DeLong	X	Shellie Tupper
✓	Mrs. J Stewart	✓	Pam Wallace	X	Anita Hoffman
✓	Melanie Bradshaw	✓	Greg Hoyt		
✓	Tracey Marshall	✓	Jamie Foster		

Agenda Items

Discussion / Action	Owner
1.0 Call to Order by the chair Approval of Agenda Approval of Minutes	J Foster
2.0 Principal's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see attached Principal's report for details • Student enrollment: 246 • Snow Days: 5 • Staffing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pat Kennedy is transitioning back to Grade 5 English. ○ Staffing 2016-17: Initial process started. Deadline for teachers to request transfer has closed. Program info for Grade 2 and 5 received. • Office referrals: results pending • Two new PD days for April 22 and 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Afternoon of parent teacher is dedicated to wellness including professional learning in Art, Physical Activity and Mindfulness • Writers in School blog post (copy to share) - http://author-susan-white.blogspot.ca/2016/03/a-day-at-hampton-elementary-school.html • Pink Shirt Day – went well. T-shirt sales were very popular. No profit to schools but supports Key Industries. • WITS Night – low turnout. Will look at another option for next year, perhaps a panel discussion. • Winter Week before March Break – Thank you to Radya Simpson who picked up and delivered all the items for the Syrian families. We were also able to raise some money. The students enjoyed the sock hop. • FINALIST! We are a finalist in the Staples Superpower your School contest. One of 10 elementary schools in Atlantic Canada will win \$25, 000. • HES YouTube Green house Channel is now live. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ndlM5gr4XWo • Enrichment Opportunities: Coding for Kids (Thursdays), Writing Club (Tuesdays) & Mad Science (Tuesday, April 5th) • Safety Procedures: Fire Drill scheduled for March • Chess Club: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student representatives (2/grade level) were chosen for District Chess Tournament ○ March 19, 2016: district Tournament to be held. • Attendance Matters: 18- 10 day letters and 4,- 15 days letters sent home 	Sarah Blanchard

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<p>3.0 SIP update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of mental Fitness for students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mind up curriculum to support mindfulness ○ Building self-regulation ○ Develop a “bank” of mental health resources and videos for students ○ Groups at school to support students: rainbow club/ gardening ○ Brainchild book study for staff ○ Inclusion of community resources in newsletters • PIRLS Assessment Grade 4: Progress in International Reading Literacy Study – more than 50 countries are participating in this study. April 11-May 13th • Provincial Grade 4 Assessment Field Test (Literacy, Numeracy & Science) • District Grade 4 Numeracy Assessment – Deadline by March 31st • Benchmark Results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FI Grade 3 receiving increased support from French immersion literacy teacher (1.5 days per week) and EST Resource teacher (two mornings per week). ○ All classes updating their reading record benchmarks. Provincial goal is 90% of students meeting grade level outcomes. 	Sarah Blanchard
<p>4.0 DEC Report: No representative present</p>	Deferred
<p>5.0 Home and School Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major changes forthcoming to help improve success of Big Fair Day 	Julie Stewart
<p>6.0 Art Smarts Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panels have been purchased and are being prepared by students • Panels to be displayed in front lobby and will represent the rights of a child: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Right to name and nationality ○ Right to Play ○ Right to water, shelter, food and health 	Julie Stewart
<p>7.0 Tell Them From Me Survey Data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results of the surveys shared with attendees. Most of the results seemed to be on par with the rest of Canada • There was a slight decrease in a “sense of belonging” at HES when compared to other schools in the country. The strategy to address this was the implementation of new groups in the school. • Many comments made by students about how much they enjoyed math in school. • Of concern there was a significant decline in feeling safe at school from 92 to 65%. Students expressed concerns about natural disasters and safety on bus. Mrs. Blanchard to develop a bulletin to inform parents about survey findings. • Strategies to address survey results include: More options with student led clubs, extending the soccer area, scheduled teams on soccer field, grade 5 referees to supervise soccer games. 	Sarah Blanchard
<p>8.0 New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated Service Delivery Model: Amalgamation of Education, Mental Health, Public Safety and Social development into teams to help schools. • PSSC budget left of \$82.95- to be used for supplies for the wall display • March is Nutrition Month: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Each class is to have their own contest to choose healthy habits for nutrition ○ Students will be entered to win a fruit/veggie basket 	Sarah Blanchard All in favour
<p>9.0 Upcoming events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 16: Staff AED training • March 25/28: Good Friday and Easter Monday • March 29: Report Card 2 • March 29-31: Scholastic Book Fair • March 31: Theatre NB performs for students • March 31/April 1: Parent Teacher Interviews and Students Led Conferences. 	Sarah Blanchard

Adjournment: 7:45 pm

Minutes submitted by: Pamela Wallace

Next Meeting: Monday April 11, 2016 at 6:30 in HES school library

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

Results from Teacher’s Perception Survey Results (deferred from March Agenda until April)