



PSSC Minutes

Chair: Candace Muir

Meeting Room: Virtually (TEAMS)

Date: Monday, February 22, 2021

Meeting Time: 6:30 PM

Present (✓) Regrets (R)

✓	Mrs. Blanchard (Principal)	✓	Elizabeth Dickson (H&S liaison)		
R	Mrs. Stewart (Vice Principal)	✓	Kathy Lebail	R	Kathleen Clark
R	Ms. J Salgado (Teacher)		Elisha Dickinson-Mills	R	Sarah Hopkins
		✓			
R	Richard Malone (DEC)	✓	Lindsay Hall (Recorder)	✓	Amy Grant
✓	Candace Muir (Chair)	R	Melissa Adams	R	Allison Chorley

Agenda Items

Discussion / Action	Owner
1.0 Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Candace called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. 	Candace Muir
2.0 Approval of Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved as presented Kathy 	PSSC members
3.0 Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved minutes Amy 	PSSC Minutes
4.0 New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No sightings of mice since the PSSC last met in January. Problem has been rectified. 	Mrs. Blanchard

<p>5.0 Principal's Report Student Fees: # outstanding is 23 School Improvement Plan and Assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers have been working the last 100 days on finding out where children are and finding gaps in learning to and assisting them. Many kids are where they need to be, had a pandemic not occurred. Data on reading submitted regularly to Sarah. Writing has not progress as well as reading. Focus has really been on reading, now time to focus on writing. In FI, there is an external supply that comes in to work for 6 weeks that comes to help intervene with reading for children. In terms of science, there is no specific SIP. NB science week is being offered so there will be various presenters virtually. Coming up the 3rd week of march Staff professional learning is March 19. ½ day report card Wednesday, March 31st home reports go home. Parent Teacher meetings will be two weeks later. Tuesday evening and Wednesday evening. <p>Grade 5 students had to submit French immersion forms. 30 students total 1/3 are choosing to go, which is standard.</p> <p>Snow Day Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 days since January 2021 <p>Attendance update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An increase noticed in attendance we went to red, then they dropped. There are families choosing to keep children home during changes to red. (about 40 students) # of student missing more than 15 or more days- 26 # of student missing more than 10 days- 56 	<p>Mrs. Blanchard</p>
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32 students still have perfect attendance.

Behaviors Update

- Behaviour referrals to office are quite low.
- Within classroom skills are dealing with feelings, aggression, and stress.

Budget Report:

- Spent money on sensory room.
- School year budget runs April 1-March 31. This year has been different, so budget was kept so no concerns about spending money and there is a surplus. Teachers have been asked to provide a wish list for classrooms.
- Sarah provided explanation on how assistive technology is provided in the schools.

Safety Procedures:

- HES will have to have a fire drill once we can see pavement. (need to have 6 total).

Other:

- School was approached by Hampton Food Basket about if school would be interested in a backpack food program. To provide discreetly to families in the school. HES will look into this. Looking at this partnership. Note would be sent to all families to determine interest.
- Sarah and Candace have looked into opening the library. Other schools are opening and they are only going into pick a book and leave. Plan could be to go one class at a time and then wipe down in between. It's time to open. Also, there would not be multiple volunteers and one person.
- Extra books remain from book swap. 2 are really young books. 2 boxes are very old novels.
- Provincial decision not to have skating continue. Hampton Community Center is more than welcome to have skating back. No exceptions are being made at this time. ASDS is not willing to make a decision at this time. Sarah will look into skating again.

Dates:

- March is nutrition month. Doing fruit baskets this year.
- March break is March 1-5, 2021
- Home reports go home in March 31st, 2021

6.0	Next Meeting: Library update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday, March 22 2021 6:30 pm	Recorder
7.0	Adjournment: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7: 16 PM	Recorder

Minutes submitted by: *Lindsay Hall*