

PSSC Minutes

Chair: Candace Muir Meeting Room: HES Library

Date: Monday January 20, 2020 **Meeting Time**: 6:30 PM

Present (✓) Regrets (R)

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✓	Mrs. Blanchard (Principal)	✓	Kristia MacDonald (Recorder)	✓	Kathy LeBail		
R	Mrs. Stewart (Vice Principal)	✓	Andrea Hughes	R	Melissa Adams		
R	Ms. J Salgado (Teacher)	✓	Elisha Dickinson-Mills	✓	Sarah Brannon		
R	Richard Malone (DEC)	R	Shelly Tupper				
✓	Candace Muir (Chair)	R	Kathleen Clark				

Agenda Items

Disc	Discussion / Action		
1.0	Call to Order	Candace Muir	
	Candace called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.		
2.0	Approval of Agenda	PSSC members	
	Approved as presented		
	Approval of Last Meeting Minutes		
	 Revision required by the recorder for the Grade 2 Elf workshop as it was held at HMS not at HES. Revision submitted to Mrs. Blanchard on January 21, 2020. 		
3.0	Group Discussion	PSSC members	
	 In November, PSSC members were given two articles on the topic of physical and emotional safety for children. Members discussed the articles and reviewed the dedicated resources available to HES students such as the principal, vice-principal, school intervention worker, guidance counsellor, the ESS team committee. Teachers are also present and cognisant of students social, emotional, and physical well-being over and above the beforementioned individuals. It was also mentioned that one of the teachers on staff will be attending a session on Vicarious Trauma. 		
4.0	Principal's Report		
	Student Fees: 92% Paid to Date (280/305)	Mrs. Blanchard	
	Demographics: Nothing to report.		
	 Staffing: Mme. Fougere-Leblanc is still on leave with Ms. Reay being her replacement and Ms. 		
	Shannon replacing Ms. Reay.		
	All public employees of GNB must complete three policy modules by June 2020 which		
	include: Respectful Workplace, Filing a Harassment Complaint Form, and Prevention of Workplace Violence and Substance Use in the Workplace.		
	School Improvement Plan and Assessment:		
	 Through high yield teaching practices students will be active participants in the learning process. 		
	 Numeracy – aim is to develop critical thinking and resilience with problem solving. 		
	 Literacy – aim is to enhance HES practices (teaching and learning) in writing. 		
	 The school community will collaborate to ensure all students have a safe and accepting school environment to learn and grow. 		
	 The school will engage in effective and continuous improvement through high functioning and data driven PLC's. 		
	 Tell Them from Me (TTFM) survey (gr. 4 & 5): Overall the results were very positive. 		
	There are many clubs running throughout the winter months at the school. Some of these		
	clubs include: Writing/Drawing Club, Art Club, Lego Club, Remote Control, Superflex,		
	Greenhouse, Zones of Regulation, Friendship Group, Roots of Empathy, Student Leaders,		

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	Recycling Team, Student Secretaries, Intramurals, Morning Open Gym, Knitting/Crocheting on Friday, and Choir.					
	Professional Learning:					
	Staff Professional Learning – Scheduled for January 27 th for the month of January.					
	There is no Professional Learning scheduled for February.					
	Attendance Policy Update:					
	• 2018-2019 15 days (2), 10 days (13) out of a possible 83 days.					
	• 2017-2018 15 days (1), 10 days (8) out of a possible 73 days.					
	 Chronic absenteeism is defined as missing 10% of more of school time. We have 22 					
	students who have missed 10% or greater time.					
	Snow Day Report: One snow day to report.					
	Health and Safety Procedures:					
	The School Closure policies and Weather policy can be found on the district website and					
	within the Student Agendas.					
	Wind Chill Policy – Anything at or below -20C would warrant staying inside. Broadfact Broadfact Control of the stay of t					
	Breakfast Program: Nothing to report.					
	 Skill Streaming: Ongoing - classrooms are working diligently on their skills. 					
	 January and February are focused on skills for dealing with feelings, skills for alternatives to 					
	aggression, and skills for dealing with stress.					
	Fundraising: Nothing to report.					
	Grants:					
	Approved - Bilingual Learning Environment Grant - \$495 for French books for the library.					
	 Pending - School Wellness Grant – focused on Mindfulness and Yoga. 					
	 Received - Innovative Learning Grant (Grade 5 Creamer & Smith). 					
	Transition Events: Nothing to report.					
	Forms/Documents/Office Referrals: Nothing to report.					
)	Home and School	Mrs. Blanchar				
	There will be a popcorn day on Friday, February 7 th .					
)	New Business:	Mrs.				
	The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, in partnership with the	Blanchard/PSS				
	seven school districts, is organizing regional consultations in several New Brunswick	Members				
	communities which will provide an opportunity for students, teachers, parents, school					
	employees and community partners to meet with Education and Early Childhood					
	Development Minister Dominic Cardy and share their feedback on the ideas presented					
	in Succeeding at Home: A green paper on education in New Brunswick. Ideas in the green paper build upon the foundation of the 10-year education plans to include New					
	Brunswickers in the process of developing new ways to manage the education system. The					
	consultation sessions will take place from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on February 4 th at Harbour					
	View High School in Saint John (in English).					
	There was a Bus Behaviour Review Presentation with all students which was presented by					
	Mrs. Blanchard. Parents can find more information on Bus Safety in the Student Agenda.					
	The DATL PSSC reached out on a possible partnership with the HES PSSC for a Health & Wallness is interpretable.					
	 Wellness joint venture. French Second Language Programs - Information nights regarding program selection for 					
	 French Second Language Programs - Information nights regarding program selection for September 2020 will be held on Tuesday February 18th at 6:30PM at the Hampton Middle 					
	School- Theater. The snow date would be Wednesday February 19 th at the Hampton					
	Middle School- Theater.					
	 PSSC budget must be spent by March 1st. Current funds equate to \$652.80. PSSC members 					
	suggested using the funds for Boogie Boards potentially and to also help with the binding					
	supplies for Author Night.					
)	Upcoming Dates:	Mrs. Blanchard				
-	January is Family Literacy Month - Think of some fun activities you can do in your					
	classroom to encourage reading. A camp out with tents and flashlights would be a fun					
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	idea!					

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	January 27 th – No school for students due to the Professional Learning Day	
	 January 31st is the annual school wide book swap. We will be accepting used books as donations throughout the month of January. 	
	 February 3rd - Intensive French Switch French to English 	
	 February 9-14th - Heritage Week & Staff Appreciation Week 	
	February 11 th - Safer Internet Day	
	 February 12th - Theatre NB Young Company 1:15PM "Boys, Girls & Other Mythological Creatures 	
	February 17 th - Family Day (Schools Closed)	
	February 26 th - National Pink Shirt Day	
	March is Nutrition Month	
	 March 2-6th - March Break (Schools Closed) 	
	 March 12th - Writer's in Schools Program (English Author) Paul McAllister 	
	 March 13th - Writer's in Schools Program (French Author) Louÿs Pitre 	
8.0	Next Meeting:	Recorder
	Monday, February 24 th at 6:30PM	
9.0	Adjournment:	Recorder
	• 7:37 PM	

Minutes submitted by: Kristia MacDonald