

KVHS PSSC AGENDA

Location: KVHS Library
Date: Monday, April 24, 2023
Time: 6:30-8:00PM
Facilitator: Jana Comeau

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30PM.
2. In attendance: Mary Ellen Veale, Natacha Gillis, Shannon Case (teacher rep), Meagan Humphries (Interim Principal 2023-2024), Caroline Price (teacher), JoEllen Jensen (Principal), Shone Davison, Bill Allen, Jana Comeau (Chair).
3. Introduction of Interim Principal for 2023/2024, Meagan Humphries.
4. Review of Social and Emotional Learning initiatives (Caroline Price, SPR Social and Emotional Learning, appointed this year) – Caroline reviewed current activities for this year and planned activities for the remainder of the year, which include monthly presentations to staff, and weekly information items in the school newsletter. Some topics that have been covered this year included building student-teacher relationships, empathy, self-awareness, self-management.

Planned activities include:

- a. Completing 18-hour course online entitled, Leading School Wide SEL'
 - b. SEL Program Learning Community being planned.
5. Student perception data (JoEllen Jensen/Shannon Case): New students perception data was presented and reviewed.
Some points of note included:
 - a. The percentage of students who report having at least one adult at the school that they can go to for lunch is up over last year.
 - b. 47.1% of students reported that the work given at school is too hard, This is up from 14% last year. A discussion ensued as to whether this was due to Covid and that expectations from students in recent years have been quite low.
 - c. 402 students reported that they experienced bullying in the past two months. Of those students, 60.9% chose to ignore the incident and not take action.

6. NBTA Labour Negotiations: Jana informed the Committee that was approached by a teacher to solicit support for teachers in their ongoing labour negotiations. She indicated that the role of the committee was not to take political sides in such matters but to remain neutral.

7. Reports

a. Principal's Report (JoEllen Jensen)

i. Arts –

1. Mamma Mia, the high school musical, is currently in the middle of a split run. The show is very successful and has been well received by all.
2. Dramatic Arts students and Mamma Mia cast will attend DramaFest in Fredericton from May 9-13.
3. Night of the Arts will be held in the theater on May 17th.
4. Concert in the Park(ing lot) will be held on June 8th. This year it will be held in the KVHS parking lot, not the Quispamsis Arts and Culture Park.

ii. Athletics

1. Volleyball is finishing up
2. Men's Rugby team won 7's at RNS's Rugbyfest tournament on the weekend.
3. Grade 8 school visit will occur May 24th. The leadership team
4. KVHS's Reach for the Top Team won provincials and will be headed to nationals.
5. Inspire Awards, recognizing students who have taken strides to turn their circumstances in a positive direction, will be held in the coming weeks.

iii. Academics

1. Course selections are being finalized.
2. Valedictorian and salutatorian applications are out for the 2023 graduation service.
3. AP exams are happening next week.
4. Grade 12 French interviews coming up.
5. French Forum is next week – 18 students are travelling to Fredericton with Mr. Cyr.
6. YMCA Immersion Presentation to Grade 10 Civics classes.
7. 2 French university students from France will be coming to the school next year to support immersion classes (language assistants). 25 in total coming to NB next year.

b. Student Leadership Report (Shannon Case)

- i. Eric Urquhart, student representative, was not in attendance.
- ii. Students from Mrs. Lanigan's Dramatic Arts class and cast of Mamma Mia will be travelling to the Shannex to perform some numbers for residents.
- iii. Grad Dinner will be held on June 6th
- iv. Kahoot planned for may.
- v. Spring Fling dance to be held May 3, 2023.
- vi. Casino Night coming up soon.

c. DEC (Roger Nesbitt) – n/a

8. Next meeting: TBA September

9. Once Around the Table – n/a

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:42PM.