

SCHOOL NAME: Central New Brunswick Academy

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Parent School Support Committee Minutes

Date: February 28, 2022, Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Multi-Purpose Room

PSSC Members Present:	School/DEC Representation Present: Andrea
Olga Ross, Chair	Carson, Teacher Rep
	Chris Harquail, DEC
Others: Wendy Ross	Barbara A. Long, Principal
Melanie Hogan	
Nora Munn	
Stacey Somerville	
Cassie O'Donnell-Norrad	
	School/DEC Representation Regrets:
PSSC Members Regrets:	

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Olga Ross, Chairperson, at 6:40 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda:

Olga Ross requested the Agenda be approved as presented, seconded by Melanie Hogan.

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Andrea Carson approved the circulated minutes; Stacey Somerville seconded the motion.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

Chris Harquail, DEC Rep. asked about budget spending. He felt that our PSSC had this area covered in respect to usage and following policy.

Questions for school though – first time here, but wondering about community and school

- Mask wearing and compliance – have there been issues with student compliance at our school? Barb felt that e students & parents overall were extremely supportive and cooperative through the COVID restrictions. She did speak about a small group of students protesting during the time of the trucker's protest in Ottawa, but that it was a respectful / peaceful protest. She had met with the leader and talked about appropriate actions during their protest. Only one student participated in the one day where students were encouraged to refuse to wear masks.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

The committee revisited the budget portion of the previous minutes. Melanie suggested water bottles. . Also, a question about school clothing – Barb said that they'll be available likely the end of March. Barb will inquire about water bottles and journals.

Current budget – about \$650

New Business:

Principal's Report:

Provincial Assessment Schedule was distributed – An online practice has been made available by EECD - This is intended to assist the students with the platform of delivery; not necessarily prepare them for the assessment, helps students to learn the platform. The ELPA was completed last year online, so teachers feel quite comfortable with the platform.

Sports – basketball concluded; season was short but managed the best as possible. Cheer finishing up March 5th and volleyball beginning soon.

12 people heading out on co-op program and representative from Apprenticeship program came out to talk to grade 12 students. Barb said that rep was very good.

No Cafeteria Service provider yet.; we were close in securing a provider, but then school shut down due to COVID and the vendor couldn't take a calculated risk.

Questions about breakfast program. We currently have enough funds to carry the school through till June. If restrictions are lifted, then we are good to go.

Question about Prom, but currently have no answer other than conforming to current health restrictions.

Journals from last year to be handed out to this year's grade 6s - just waiting for a good time to hand them out.

February was Black History Month

- Music celebrating Black musicians through listening activities
- Readings current events
- Middle school Black Canadian History; current Student perspectives on where they've come from

February 23rd – Pink Shirt Day / virtual presentation by Live Different – Grade 6-8 presentation on Values, high school on Altruism (virtues)

MADD Canada presented virtually to all students

Presentations were good, but looking forward to the day we can be back in person 😊



Non-smoking / smoke pit update: 5 students who frequent the area; first week had a few bumps with early going out and late coming in but addressed right away by Barb and supervising teacher; seems to be no troubles now.

Our Schools Survey completed before Christmas; Barb will get results back in *hopefully* another month. Survey asked about wellness and belonging within school community.

Teacher results have been sent back and will be shared with staff at future PL to help drive planning.

With the need for subs, we have a fulltime additional teacher (substitute) for 5 weeks (will take us to March break), who is working with students on credit recovery and catch up.

Correspondence:

Prime Minister's Award information sent out via email

Closing Comments:

None

Date of Next Meeting:

The next PSSC Meeting is March 30, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room

Adjournment:

Motion of adjournment was made by Wendy Ross at 8:16 p.m. Seconded by Melanie Hogan

Respectfully submitted by Andrea Carson, Secretary