

PSSC Meeting – October 17, 2022

1. **Welcome and Introductions** – The school principal welcomed members and had them fill out the Declaration Form. Members in attendance: Joe Crummey, Holly Soucoup, Duong Nguyen, Emily McAllister, Cody Butler, Maryanne Bourgeois, and Ashley Delahaye.
2. **Review the role of PSSC members** – We reviewed some handouts from the PSSC handout to review the role of the PSSC members. One of the activities – Whose Job Is This Anyway was particularly helpful.
3. **Establish Chair, Co-Chair, and Secretary** – We discussed rotating the role of the note taker, but we do need a chair and co-chair. Shawna will email the members again to see if someone will step forward.

4. School Vision and School Plan Goals

PRIDE – Positive, Respectful, Inclusive, Dedicated, Empowered – explained the process that the school used to establish this School Vision. We have signage that will be posted throughout the school as well.

Goal #1

The Core Leadership team and ESS members will arrange professional learning opportunities throughout the school year to enhance Tier I Interventions connected to behaviour.

Goal #2

By May 2023, the Integrated Student Survey will indicate that 80% of students will report feeling connected to school.

Goal #3

Students at Devon Middle School will read from self-selected books daily.

5. Principal's Report – Shawna shared the following:

- Space Issues – Space Audit – we are outgrowing our space
- Library Impact – we had to transform our library into a classroom space
- New Staff – 19 new staff members in the last 2 years. We have lots of turnover which is wonderful, but also challenging.
- Support for new staff – The Educational Support Services Team will support this group of new teachers
- Educational Assistant additions – we were reduced and went through a Needs Assessment Process and were given 4 additional Educational Assistants to support student needs.
- Positive Discipline – focus to support behavioural concerns
- Home and School Initiatives – We have a very active Home and School Committee who have a number of initiatives ready to fundraise for school-based initiatives.

6. Teacher Representative Report – Cody shared the following:

- SPARK happening again this year
- Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Initiatives
- Focus - Opportunities for students to have noon hour activities to participate in