## SCHOOL NAME: Gibson-Neill Memorial Elementary School

# Address: 67 Wyngate Drive, Fredericton Parent School Support Committee Minutes

**Date:** December 15, 2022 Time: 6:00 pm

**Location: Gibson Neill School** 

<b>PSSC Members Present:</b>	School/DEC Representation Present:
Leah Carle, Chair	Tracy Stewart, Principal
, Vice Chair	Colin Dolan, Vice Principal
, Teacher Rep.	
, Student Rep.	
Others: Amanda Hudson, Nancy Wilkins-	
Keetch, Katie Edgar, Amanda Good,	
Catherine Picard,	School/DEC Representation Regrets:
	Heather Theriault – VP
PSSC Members Regrets: Mary Anne	Mike Mazerolle, DEC
Bourgeois, Lindsay Underhill, Laura Oldford,	

Call to Order: Leah called to order the meeting, at 6:03

Approval of the Agenda: NA

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting: NA

**Business Arising from the Minutes:** 

#### **New Business:**

What should our focus be going forward into the new year?

Technology presentation

Tracy and Colin will reach out to Jeff Whipple and City Police to see if they have any premade resources and then take options to parents.

Look at early April as a time for this presentation

Tracy will ask schools close to us (feeder schools to Devon) to partner with us on this.

#### **Principal Report**

- \* Parent Survey Fall 2022- 230 responses
- -Equal representation over the grades
- -Highest area of conflict on the playground
- -Majority of respondents indicated they would be interested in learning how to support their children, with the majority asking for a handout

- -It does not appear having an in-person event for families on conflict would be of the best use of time right now
- \* School plan- Teachers working with small group of students on a short-term intervention with an academic focus, Have been seeing student growth
- -School staff, both teachers and EAs will be receiving verbal de-escalation strategies in January, part of VTRA training.

School goals next year will be developed based on school improvement indicators and other collected data.

\*Grade 5 Breakfast- Student forum. Grade 5 students have breakfast with the principal and discuss issues at the school. "What do you love about our school?", "What can our school improve?", "What would you like to see happen at our school?"

Good feedback for administration and teachers

- \*In January Colin will be starting a Power Play Program, an entrepreneurship program, with at least 5 classes in the school. 6-8 week program.
- \*School led clubs have begun- lots of different areas of focus

#### **Correspondence:**

#### **Closing Comments:**

### Power Outage

-PSSC understands that the power outage was out of the school's control. Parents would have appreciated a notification from the district the morning of, letting them know that power was out at the school and that there was no estimated time of return to allow parents to make their own decisions about school that day.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday, January 16, 2023

Adjournment: 7:07 pm