

GEORGE STREET MIDDLE SCHOOL
Parent School Support Committee
Agenda & Minutes for April 10, 2017 Meeting

<p>PSSC Members Present:</p> <p>Pamela Kitchen, Chair Dave Bowen, Vice Chair Lisa Colwell, Secretary Peter Manson , Teacher Rep. Tim Yerxa, Tina Manuel, Heather O'Connell, Darren MacKenzie: Other</p> <p>PSSC Members Regrets: Kim Kelly</p>	<p>School/DEC Representation Present:</p> <p>Pierre Plourde, Principal</p> <p>School/DEC Representation Regrets: Terry Pond</p>
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Call to Order

Introductions by Chair

Intro Peter Manson, new Teacher Representative

Minutes from last PSSC meeting

- Approval of minutes: **Darren approved.**
- Review of minutes (Actions taken & Business arising):

Pam reached out to Brilliant Labs about brochures. Follow up and hand out for Parent Night. There is a great brochure online but GSMS is not mentioned. **Action Pam: Connect with Jacob**

Parent session April 20. Due to popular demand message will be included in announcement. Food will cost \$170 (coffee, vegetables and fruit with sweet treat). Donation to FSAC \$200 (presented by Pam). **Motion moved by Heather.** Set up will be taken care of by staff.

Survey – committee met and reviewed info/created template. Test and feedback will take place within next 2 weeks.

Principal's report

Teacher perception survey on website. Health survey not being shared online due to concerns with result and comments. Can we send insight to Terry regarding rationale? Concern this is posted online and could affect the message of GSMS. **Action Pam: Ask Terry for insight on results.**

Grade 8 marketplace went well. Funds going to Twitty.

Magazine campaign coming soon. Would like a creative lounge for kids to hang out as they have mentioned in their Think Tanks. Partnering with Brilliant Labs to update game room to creativity space as well.

Still receiving great feedback from parents on welcome letter. Like they can find it online. A couple of slight changes were made by parents to Hebrew, Chinese and Russian form. For next year can expand

and use same translator. Just review content to ensure it is accurate. French could complete as enrichment project.

Chair's Report

Grade 8 farewell dance committee meeting this week for planning.

Teacher's Report

In the last month, GSMS has done well within the community. Showcase was impressive. Gleaner article on soldier biographies.

Grade 8 placed 1st & 2nd for French oratory session. Grade 7 had 2nd place.

The Little Mermaid went very well and impressive with posters around downtown and Fredericton community centers. Lots in attendance.

Impressed with how things get done

Magazine campaign starting soon

DEC Representative's Report (Terry not present)

Tim discussed Kingsclear Sustainability session. Feasibility study is showing the Hanwell will make a difference in feeding students to GSMS.

Pam shared that parents of Kingsclear had a presentation and spoke on the school. Parents spoke of how the population plays a role in the relationship and development of the child. If decision is made to close KCS due to low numbers, they request it not be done until 2018 or until Hanwell is built. Portables are going up already at Garden Creek and Priestman. Decision coming first week of May at FHS.

Home & School

Home & school needs to be added back on agenda. **Action Pam to add to next agenda**

New Business – None

Adjournment 6:53pm

PSSC Chair

Date

PSSC Secretary

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