



**Harvey Elementary School
1908 Route 3, Harvey Station, NB E6K 2P4
Parent School Support Committee
Minutes**

**Date: May 26th 2022 Time: 6:00
Location: Virtual TEAMS meeting**

<p>PSSC Members Present:</p> <p>Kimberley Giggie, Chair Amanda Quackenbush, Vice Chair Sheryl Pepin, Parent Amanda Davidson, Parent Abby Davidson, Parent Kristi Hudson, Parent Shawna Short, Parent Amanda Appleby, Parent Megan Keezer, Parent Sarah Kantor, Parent</p> <p>PSSC Members Regrets:</p> <p>Kaelie Gaynor, Secretary Amy Nason, Parent/Teacher Olivia Cole, Parent Kat Bamford, Parent Jen McFadgen, Parent</p>	<p>School/DEC Representation Present:</p> <p>Julie Holt, Principal Jill McCullough, Teacher</p> <p>School/DEC Representation Regrets:</p> <p>Serena Bradford, DEC Rep Melissa Little, Vice-Principal Sue Little, Teacher Rep</p>
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Call to Order: Kimberley Giggie

Approval of the Agenda: Megan Keezer, Amanda Quackenbush

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting: Jill McCullough, Shawna Short

Business Arising from the Minutes:

(1) Potential Changes to PSSC and DEC

Kim, Julie, Melissa, and Serena are still in communication with one another and the district regarding the proposed changes. PSSCs will now remain active, Elections NB will be used for the selection of the Provincial Board members, and other changes to the plans are being discussed. If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to Kim.

(2) Pre-K Day

Pre-K Day was held on May 25th, 2022. It went well with 34 out of 38 registered kindergarten students in attendance.

(3) H.E.L.L.O

Of the \$2222.58 donated by Home & School for activities, \$1243.94 has been spent and \$778.64 remains. The program seems to be very well received and students are enjoying the activities. Attendance on Thursdays (HELLO day) is higher.

(4) Student Appreciation Day

Student Appreciation Day will be June 8th. The theme is 'Tropical' and there will be bubbles, activities, prizes, draws throughout the day, ice cream treats (with non-dairy options), and a picnic. District sent posters which will be printed next week.

(5) Grade 4 & 5 Provincial Assessments

Every student in grade 4 & 5 completed their assessment before the deadline of May 24th. Assessments this year were done electronically using iPads and contained multiple choice questions. This change in format seemed to go smoothly (after a brief adjustment) and it will be interesting to see the outcome. Individual student results will not be provided and instead the school receives an overall report.

(6) Grade 5 Farewell

Each grade 5 student will be allowed to invite a certain number of guests (based on the gym capacity of 250 people). The Farewell will take place during the day on June 23rd. There will be cake and prizes to celebrate the students who are moving to middle school in the Fall.

New Business:

(1) Staffing Update

Julie has received staffing numbers and there are 3 vacancies (Music, Primary, and Elementary). There may be transfers to the school and that will be made known in the coming weeks. For the 2022-2023 school year there will be 2 kindergarten classes, 1 grade-1 FI, 2 grade-1/2 English classes, 2 grade-2 FI classes, 1 grade-3 English, 1 grade-3 FI, 1 grade-4 English, 1 grade-4 FI, 1 grade-5 English, and 1 grade-5 FI.

(2) Staff Retirement

April Murphy is retiring. Staff are planning a small celebration for her. She will be missed.

(3) Meet the Teacher Night

It was suggested that the committee start to think about the traditional 'Meet the Teacher' night that takes place every Fall (typically during the first or second week of school). In the past we have served corn but it was suggested that we may want to consider switching to hotdogs or another option. Booths for various community and school activities will be in the gym and halls for students and parents to explore while visiting the school. The budget for the event is around \$600 (provided by PSSC).

(4) School Improvement Plan

Julie needed to upload the plan for the 2022/2023 school year into a program called "Clever" for district to review. The 2-3 week targeted interventions will continue because it seems to have a very positive impact. Teachers have been creative in their approach to advance each individual student. The social/emotional aspect of the plan will continue as well. Engaging and welcoming programs like H.E.L.L.O. will continue as well as providing parent support when needed.

Correspondence: None

Closing Comments: This is our last meeting of the 2021-2022 school year. Thank you to committee members for their time and continued support.

Date of Next Meeting: September 2022

Adjournment: Kimberley Giggie