**`****New Maryland School**

**75 Clover st., New Maryland E3C 1C5**

**Parent School Support Committee Minutes**

**Date: March 19, 2019 Time: 4:30 Location: ESST room in school**

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| **PSSC Members Present:** **Chair** Natalie Holder**Vice Chair:** Matthew Stainforth**Teacher Rep:** Melissa Gaudet**PSSC Members Regrets:** Da Pan, K. Roherty | **School/DEC Representation Present:**Heather Hallett, Principal Terry Pond/DEC **School/DEC Representation Regrets:** Terry Pond |

**Call to Order:** 4:35

**Approval of the Agenda: MacKay, Stainforth**

**Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting:**

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

a) Budget is spent

b) Positive painting event to occur April 26

**Budget:** Spent

1. Supervision vests: to communicate to students and visitors who can provide direction and information
2. Paint supplies for painting washrooms with positive messages:  to communicate to students that they are valued
3. Books for building a parent library:  to supplement communication with parents on a range of topics from behaviour management to autism.

**Reports:**

1. **DEC Report**: Terry Pond

1. **Home and School Report** Natalie Holder
2. **Principal Report:** Heather Hallett

**Ten Year Plan Priorities:** **Objective 3** (K-2 Literacy), **Objective 4** (K-2 Numeracy)**, Objective 6** (First Nations needs and curriculum)

-Grade 3 core and Grade 5 students will attend the Pow wow at UNB on April 4th

**DIP:** Student engagement, Formative assessment, collective efficacy

-Bobcat Den will be remodeled into a Math and Science Center

-ESS Connects site has been introduced to teachers. There will be follow up training sessions on site.

**SIP** :

-Flexible writing groups and team teaching is proving successful at the grade 3 level.

-Science back packs have been created for outdoor Science lessons-teacher sign out

-Teachers K-5 maintaining a focus onstudent identification and choice around learning goals

-Math manipulatives and classroom supports have been purchased to update all classrooms

-Primary FI teachers are providing remediation to upper level students where needs have been identified

-The Snoozelean Room, subsidized by Home and School is completed and in regular use.

(Controlled multisensory environment: therapy for people with autism and other developmental disabilities. It provides the person with a soothing and stimulating environment for short intervals.)

**ISD/ Child and Youth:** No update

**General:**

-Phys Ed teachers and members of the UNB Reds hockey team joined student skating at Grant Harvey for the last session

-Mrs. Hallett and K teachers visited schools in Moncton to observe “Purposeful Play” in action.

-ELF sessions conclude March 28th

-Only a handful of students from NMES participated in STEAM

-Kindergarten transition meetings were held today

-Welcome to k event tentatively scheduled for May22

-School choirs and band will participate in Music Festival

-Drama group will be represented at the Festival

**Calendar:**  No classes March 22

 Report cards go home April 1st

**New Business:**

1. Nil

**Correspondence:** Nil

**Closing Comments:**

**Date of Next Meeting:** February

**Adjournment:**

**Natalie Holder**

PSSC Chair Date

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