

# **Nashwaaksis Middle School**

324 Fulton Avenue, Fredericton NB E3A 5J4

# Parent School Support Committee Minutes

November 3, 2020 Nashwaaksis Middle School Cafeteria

# **PSSC Members**

#### **Present**

- Jennifer Welles
- Melissa McCallum
- Jonathan Keizer
- Vivek Virmani
- Ruhinda Ruganda

## Regrets

- Melissa Awad
- Ian Campbell
- Jamie Campbell
- Julie Lingley

#### School/DEC Representation

#### **Present**

- Kendra Frizzell, Principal
- Ian Chiasson, Teacher Representative

## School/DEC Representation Regrets

• Shawn Winslow, DEC

#### 1. Call to Order

Meeting started at 7:09 pm

# 2. Review and Approval of Agenda

Approved.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

 Meeting minutes from the October 6 meeting were distributed for review, and approved with minor typographical edits.

#### 4. Business Arising from the Minutes

#### a. Tentative Schedule for Meetings

 Requests made by some other members of the committee to have the meetings on a different evening than Tuesday or Wednesday.



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- Other members have potential work conflicts that could be avoided once schedules for their spouse/partner are available.
- A tentative schedule was proposed as follows:

Date	Meeting Status	
Monday, January 18, 2021	Confirmed	
Monday, February 22, 2021	Tentative	
Monday, April 12, 2021	Tentative	
Monday, May 10, 2021	Tentative	

• The start time for all of the meetings is 7 pm.

### b. Format for meetings

- Currently moving forward with in-person meetings, but open to having virtual meetings in the future.
- The format for each meeting will be assessed on a month by month basis.

# 5. Principal's Report

#### a. School Operational Plan

- Kendra indicated that the pilot program for student movements from class-toclass for Middle Schools (otherwise not permitted otherwise under current provincial criteria) was a success, and all other middle schools received approval to use this model. Spot checks for health and safety compliance from Workplace NB as well as the New Brunswick Teachers Association will continue.
- Noted that there is a different schedule for each grade level, and indoor recess (in classrooms) is planned for cold days.

# 6. New Business

#### a. PSSC Budget

- The PSSC budget for 2020-21 is \$1,800, and is to be used for communication. Potential examples include: signage, inviting community into the school (although not with Covid-based restrictions), or guest speakers or webinar.
- Mr. Chiasson suggested the purchase of new A-frame signs that could be used for student drop-off areas
- PSSC members are requested to submit suggestions for spending the budget, with voting of proposals by e-mail consensus.

#### b. PSSC Chair

• Jennifer Welles indicated that she needs to step away from the chair position. Ruhinda offered to take on this role, and the PSSC members approved this change.

# c. Virtual Meeting Trial

• A test for everyone to connect to a virtual meeting using Teams will be conducted on January 11, 2021 at 7 pm. Kendra will send out an invitation to the PSSC to attend this brief (10-minute) meeting.

# 7. Correspondence

• No correspondence

# 8. Closing Comments

- Date of next meeting: January 18, 2021
- Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm