



**BURTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
Parent School Support Committee  
Minutes**

**Date: 20 Nov 2017 Time: 1900h**

**Location: Burton Elementary School**

<p><b>PSSC Members Present:</b>  <b>Kristen Brown, Chair</b>  <b>Tracy Curtain</b>  <b>Carrie MacIntyre</b>  <b>Shelley Mason</b>  <b>Veronique Fornier</b>  <b>Others</b></p> <p><b>PSSC Members Regrets:</b>  <b>Michelle Doherty</b>  <b>Peter Smith</b></p>	<p><b>School/DEC Representation Present:</b>  <b>Denise Watson, Principal</b>  <b>Wallace Carr, DEC</b></p> <p><b>School/DEC Representation Regrets:</b>  <b>Krista Appleyard, Teacher rep.</b></p>
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**Call to Order: 1858h**

**Approval of the Agenda: Approved by Veronique, seconded by Tracy**

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

**Business Arising from the Minutes: NA**

**New Business:**

- 1. Discussed our presentation to the DEC last month. Members felt it went well, and was well received by the DEC. Members pleased that the DEC seemed to really listen to us. Our next step would be for Wallace to put a motion forward for the DEC to study the Burton catchment area. He felt this would likely be tabled until the Oromocto structural study is completed, but it would at least be on the table to be considered next. Wallace also mentioned that Lincoln is looking to have their catchment area looked at too as they are experience similar trends as Burton. The next DEC meeting is 14Dec17. Wallace will draft a motion and send it to Denise and Kristen to review prior to that meeting.**
- 2. Kristen explained a letter is being written by the Hubbard PSSC to raise the issue of the under-resource of Oromocto schools such as guidance counsellors and resource teachers, the need for supports for classroom composition, and to reduce the classroom shifting that occurs with difficult to predict classroom sizes each year. Discussed how Oromocto is a military community with unique resource needs. When teacher resources are determined by spring student numbers it is difficult to know truly how many students will be in attendance come fall with military moves. This leads to many classroom shifts and instability for already vulnerable children. The Hubbard PSSC is drafting this letter and**

when it is ready, they would like the Burton PSSC's support. Kristen will draft a letter on our PSSC's behalf in support of their concerns.

3. **PSSC Budget.** We have approximately \$174 allocated to us. Discussed that we often put this towards paper and office supplies. Can be used for a special project, food, etc.
4. **School news:** Teachers working with different methods of teaching, such as modelled writing. Math assessments are ongoing. Parent teacher interviews coming up. Discussed tentative dates for skating. Christmas concert Dec 14<sup>th</sup> at the Lion's Club. Dec 13<sup>th</sup> is turkey dinner with Santa. Dec 18<sup>th</sup> is the trip to Gesner for the Art Richard concert. French sessions are being planned for the new year with French speaking parents reading stories singing songs, etc.

**Correspondence:** nil

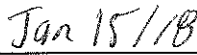
**Closing Comments:** nil

**Date of Next Meeting:** Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 2018

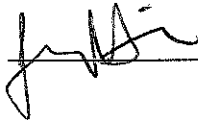
**Adjournment:** 7:44 – Shelly




**PSSC Chair**



**Date**



**PSSC Secretary**



**Date**