



**Summerhill Street Elementary School
Parent School Support Committee
Minutes**

Date: October 14, 2021

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: Virtual Teams Meeting

In Attendance:

1. Shannon Atherton
2. Kate O'Rourke
3. Tanya Malloy
4. Neng Makhot
5. Thomas Geburt
6. Mellissa Hawthorne
7. Anita Curran
8. Sheila Morgan
9. Angela Lamey Jackson
10. Colleen Foreman

Regrets:

Ariana Murissi

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Mrs. Atherton

Welcome:

Thank you joining our first PSSC for the 2021-2022 school year.

- Introduce members (new and current)

- 8 voting members in total (plus Ariana Murissi if she can join)

- **Headset available:** Last year the school purchased Headsets for PSSC members. If you would like to borrow these for this year's meetings, please let Shannon Atherton know and we will send one home with your child.

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting (May 11, 2021)

- Approved by Tanya Malloy
- Second by Kate O'Rourke

While the minutes were being shared on the screen, Sheila Morgan gave an update about the recent fundraiser:

-Raised over \$9000 from Coffee Fundraiser

-Next fundraiser will be Scotts Nursery Plant Fundraiser (November)

Business Arising from the Minutes:

None

New Business:

1) Overview of PSSC and DEC (Power point)

Shannon Atherton -Reviewed the role of the PSSC and responsibilities on the slideshow presentation

-We currently have 8 Voting members (possibly 9). No election was required this year.

-Committee must Elect PSSC roles (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary). This will be decided at the end of the meeting

- Mr. Geburt suggested the PSSC discuss spending money at Christmas to avoid PSSC being rushed at the end of year.

2) Overview of PSSC Handbook (sent by email to each PSSC member)

3) Signing of Declaration/Contact information for Clevr

- Please send the Declaration form via email or a hard copy sent in with your child.
- Please also complete the nomination form

4) Schedule of Meetings

- Suggest changing the current PSSC meeting day from Thursday to Tuesday to accommodate for more members being able to attend.

-Next PSSC Meeting Tuesday November 30th.

5) School Improvement Plan (SIP) and Positive Learning and Working Plan Overview

Overview of the PLWEP goal -Sheila Morgan

3GStrong is an online self emotional learning (SEL) program and it teaches the students daily SEL skills through common vocabulary the students can easily connect with.

Overview of Literacy goal:

Neng Makhot:- Summerhill has launched a whole school reading initiative called 'Battle of the Books'. The whole school will read 8 of the same books. Each class will vote for their favorite book each month. At the end we will crown the most popular book in Summerhill.

Shannon Atherton – We are trying to increase the engagement of students as readers and improve reading achievement. We are attempting to teach students “who they are as a reader.”

6) Staffing and Enrollment

New Classrooms configured:

- There was fluctuation with the student numbers during the first few weeks of the school year. This required administration to reconfigure some classes so we made 3 English Prime Grade 5 classes. We now have 4 French Immersion classes (down from 5). Classes and staffing are now in place for a successful school year. Summerhill currently has 253 students with 12 homeroom teachers.
- We are welcoming 4 new EA's on Monday. We started the year with 7 EA's and now have 11 EA's.
- We have a new Music Teacher Ms. Dias (1 Class of music a week for each class).
- Students will continue having 4 classes of PE a week with Mrs. Keizer.
- Ms. Morgan has increased her administration time so we welcomed another teacher, Ms. D'Aoust to help with music classes on Wednesday afternoon.

7) PSSC Election

Will revisit and vote at the next meeting on the positions

Anita Curran (possible option for Chair). Shannon will ask Ariana Murissi to see if she is interested.

Kate O'Rourke Vice Chair (possible option for Vice Chair)

Colleen Foreman (possible option for Secretary)

Next meeting:

Next meeting on November 30th Tuesday (moved from a Thursday to accommodate for more members to attend)

PSSC meeting will continue to go Virtual until further notice.

Correspondence:**- DEC Meeting Dates –**

Thursday October 21, 2021 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Woodstock Education Centre
Thursday November 25, 2021 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Fredericton Education Centre
Thursday December 9, 2021 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Fredericton Education Centre
Thursday January 27, 2022 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Fredericton Education Centre
Thursday February 24, 2022 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Woodstock Education Centre
Thursday March 24, 2022 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Woodstock Education Centre
Thursday April 28, 2022 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting First Nations Community
Thursday May 19, 2022 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Fredericton Education Centre
Thursday June 9, 2022 6:30 PM Public DEC Meeting Fredericton Education Centr

Closing Comments: Thank all members for joining the first PSSC virtually. Minutes will be sent out to all members and in our upcoming newsletters we will invite parents to join our PSSC meetings.

Date of Next Meeting and Potential Agenda Items:

Tuesday, November 30

Please send any new agenda items to Mrs. Atherton at Shannon.atherton@nbed.nb.ca

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Approved by Tanya Malloy

Seconded by Anita Curran

