

**ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Sustainability Study**  
**Florenceville Middle School**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Saturday, January 18, 2020**  
**10:00 AM**

<p><b>Council Members Present:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tanya Adams – SD 01</li> <li>• Andy Saunders – SD 02</li> <li>• Heather Hogan – SD 03</li> <li>• Miriam Grant – SD 04</li> <li>• Laura O’Brien – SD 06</li> <li>• Jane Buckley – SD 09 – Vice Chair</li> <li>• Kimberley Douglass – SD 10 – Chair</li> <li>• Wallace Carr – SD 12</li> <li>• Thomas Geburt – SD 13</li> </ul> <p><b>Council Member Regrets:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andrew Corey – SD 05</li> <li>• Sean Winslow – SD 08</li> <li>• Faith Kennedy – SD 11</li> <li>• David Perley – First Nations</li> </ul>	<p><b>ASD-W Staff Present:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David McTimoney, Superintendent</li> <li>• Jay Colpitts, Director of Schools – WEC</li> <li>• Judy Cole, Director of Communication</li> <li>• IT Support (2)</li> <li>• Carol Clark-Caterini, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and DEC</li> </ul> <p><b>Guests:</b>  Approximately 17 Community Members, including the Mayor of Florenceville-Bristol (Karl Curtis), the MLA (Andrew Harvey), school staff and media (2).</p> <p><b>Vacant Positions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SD 07</li> </ul>
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➤ **Sustainability Study – Florenceville Middle School – Meeting #2**

- Kimberley Douglass, District Education Council Chairperson, welcomed everyone to the second sustainability study meeting for the Florenceville Middle School. David McTimoney, Superintendent, introduced Anglophone West School District staff in attendance and gave recognition to school staff, the Mayor of Florenceville-Bristol, Karl Curtis, and local MLA, Andrew Harvey
- The District Education Council (DEC) introduced themselves and shared the area in which they serve as a Councillor.
- Sarah Pacey, from the Town of Florenceville-Bristol, presented a power point presentation supporting a new K-8 school in the community.
- Councillor Saunders asked for clarification from Ms. Pacey about the proposed land located by the Carleton North High School, and how much of this land did ASD-W own. Ms. Pacey explained that the reasoning for this proposed site was to help reduce busing cost as the K-8 students would be near the high school students.
- It was asked if the Town of Florenceville-Bristol had looked at a location for a new K-8 school close to recreational grounds. Confirmation was given that there was no suitable site that would support a facility of this size near the recreational grounds. Councillor Hogan asked how much school time is being used at the rink and pool location. As the pool is situated outside, it can only be used during the month of June by students. Students can access a walking trail behind the school and walk to the neighboring rink in nice weather. A community member suggested relocating the current pool, that is soon to be replaced due to the age and current condition and locate the recreational grounds closer to the new school campus.
- Concerns were voiced of younger students being located so close to high school students.
- Councillor Saunders commented that although the Town of Florenceville-Bristol suggested a site next to the Carleton North High School in their presentation, it is noted the District Education Council has no formal say of the where a new school would be built, as this is the responsibility of the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure.
- Councillor Geburt reiterated the concept of a new K-8 school being built next to the Carleton North High School as this would create a campus style facility that would offer a higher level of security.
- The second presentation was provided by Mr. Nestor Gomez on behalf of McCain Foods Limited. Mr. Gomez introduced himself and stated that he and his family were newcomers to the Province of New Brunswick. The Gomez family are very satisfied with their chosen location to live and work in the Province of New Brunswick and they would consider the Anglophone West School District education system to be very good. Mr. Gomez went on to read a letter on behalf of his employer, McCain Foods Limited, in support of for a new K-8 school to be built in the Town of Florenceville-Bristol. Mr. McTimoney asked if his letter needed to be approved at a higher level within his organization. Mr. Gomez confirmed that this communication had been shared within his organization and approval was granted.
- Community Member Charles McNair provided a presentation that included maps of the area and he referred to the previous Policy 409 Infrastructure Study that was conducted approximately 5 years ago by the previous District Education Council. Mr. McNair spoke of the capital investment at the Bath Elementary School that was later approved for closure through the Policy 409 process and the capital investment on the previous Bath Middle School to update and reconfigure as a K-8 school. Mr. McNair went on to say that a long-term solution was needed due to the declining population in the area. Therefore, his

recommendation would be to the Council for a new K-8 school located on Route 130, where it would not be hidden, a new high school visible from the four-lane highway and a potential new K-8 school in the Centreville area. Mr. McNair suggested that consideration should be given to a long-term school configuration that would replace 3, 5 or 7 schools which would include catchment area changes.

➤ **Closing Comments:**

- A community member asked to know more about the facility configuration. Mr. McTimoney confirmed that the facility would follow a educational specification guideline, as with all other schools in the Province of New Brunswick.
- The Chairperson reminded the community that the district office can be contacted through their website should they want to ask further questions about the school study. Presentations, along with other documents supporting the study can be found on the ASD-W website following the sustainability study links. People were also encouraged to attend the next public meeting that will be held at the Carleton North High School on Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 6:30 PM.

<http://web1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/ASD-W/sustainability/Pages/FlorencevilleMiddle.aspx>

➤ **Date for Next Meeting: Thursday, March 19, 2020, at 6:30 PM – Carleton North High School**

➤ **The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.**