PSSC Agenda- October 20th, 2021

Present: Heather (DEC), Jaclyn, Shauna, Christina, Jill, Stephen, Melanie, Amanda, Tiffany, Amy, Pat, Tanya, Angela

Regrets: Debbie Garnett, Ann Smith

1. Call to Order-Being the first meeting of the year, Pat called the meeting to order. He thanked the group for their patience and their willingness to meet in person during a Pandemic.
2. Introduction of Members and Collection of Contact Information- All members introduced themselves and confirmed contact information to be sent to District Office.
3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair-Shauna allowed her name to stand as Chair and Jaclyn allowed her name to stand as Vice-Chair.
4. Signing of Declaration- Members present signed and witnessed declarations agreeing to the basic roles of the PSSC.
5. PSSC’s Role- Pat referred to PSSC information which was provided. He also asked if any members would be interested in serving on an Appeals Committee.
6. DEC Update- Heather- Newly elected DEC last May. DEC has met three times since. Roger Nesbitt is the Chair and Heather elected Vice-Chair of this 12-person committee. The District Improvement Plan will be updated. This is done on a yearly basis. Much of it is Covid related.
7. Review of Notes from Meeting on May 26th/2021- Motion to pass made by Jaclyn and seconded by Amanda. Committee voted to pass.
8. PSSC Budget- Heather mentioned that PSSC has $1435.00 to spend before March 31st, 2022. Pat asked for consideration of partial funding for a new school sign. Members brainstormed other ideas including welcome packages for incoming Grade 6 students and funding for enrichment. Many of the annual school fundraising sources are postponed due to Covid restrictions…ticket raffle, cafeteria and vending machine commissions, etc. Pat asked committee to consider options and some decisions can be made at the November meeting.
9. Staff Update- 35.8 teachers, 21 EAs, 1 SIW, 2 Behaviour Mentors, 6 Custodians, 1.3 secretaries (Fulltime has yet to be filled…. a casual is in place temporarily), .6 librarian (Yet to be filled…a casual temporarily in place). Six new teachers to Bayside. Paul McNutt, Jennifer Perkins, and Karen Mannette were seconded to different positions. Lindsay Legere is on maternity leave.
10. Facilities Update- Gym was flooded over the summer and required fans, de-humidifiers, etc. Gym floor deemed as safe. More work done on front of school…seals to prevent flooding, black paint on base and shutters painted. Lori’s Room has a temporary dividing wall. This will be in place until renovations can be completed. Discussion ensued about what students are emulating on Tick Tock videos (Divine Licks). Bayside has seen some washroom vandalism over the first few weeks of school.
11. School Profile as of September 30- 595 students (no students permitted to be on home learning plans this year). We have 15 English classes and 8 FI homerooms of which one is a Grade 7/8 split. Principal and Vice-Principal are fulltime administrators, 2.3 PE teachers, 4 fulltime resource teachers. Music, Teach, Art, and Guidance are all fulltime positions.
12. Bayside During Covid- students and staff are adjusting to the everchanging operational plans sent out by Public Health. Most students adhere to the mask rules and adapt to sanitizing expectations. Like other schools, PE has been offered outside when weather permits. Although we started the year having students eat in the cafeteria, they are now eating in their homerooms. Students who are double vaccinated or too young to receive doses are invited to participate in extra-curricular activities (Soccer, Cross Country, Cheer, Choir, GSA, etc.)
13. STOMP- Update- The theme for this term is “Being Prepared”. Students are presented with mini and maxi challenges to earn points for their team. Classes are invited to raise money for Children’s Wish as a philanthropy challenge. Classes are coming up with team names and decorating doors to reflect their team names. Weekly prizes will be issued and the teams with the most points at the end of November will receive a pizza party.
14. Concerns from the Committee
* Committee reminded that Melanie runs a Bayside sponsored Facebook page. The purpose is to communicate school updates and information to Bayside parents.
* Jaclyn asked about Assist Training
* Tiffany informed the committee that Bayside will be selling Kiwanis calendars during the month of November. Proceeds will go to school enrichment and to the Children’s Wish Foundation.
1. Meeting Dates- The Committee agreed on the following dates to meet:

November 17th

January 19th

February 16th

March 16th

April 20th

May 18th

1. Call to Close