

PSSC Agenda- November 14th/2018

1. Call to order.

Present- Kathy, Anne, Jodie, Pusmpdeep, Stephen, Jason, Tammy, Amy, Pat, Mark, Lynn, Aimee, Kathie.

Regrets- David, Angela, Charmaine, Ann, Heather (DEC)

Note- Amber has taken a leave from PSSC for this school year.

2. Review of notes from last meeting- October 3rd/2018

Committee read notes. No discussion ensued. Motion made by Jason to pass the notes and this was seconded by Anne.

3. It Takes A Village- handout

Heather (in her absence) asked Pat to hand out advertisement for *Consent and Risky Behaviors* presentation taking place at SJHS on December 6th. This event is being sponsored by the PSSCs of the four high schools in Saint John.

4. Assistance Needed at Parent-Teacher Conferences

Pat asked for the help of the Committee in working the PSSC table during Parent-Teacher Conferences (November 22nd and 23rd). Traditionally this group assists with providing parents an opportunity to write a PBIS message of pride to their child. Pat also asked if it would be worth it to have a ticket draw to raise funds for Staff Appreciation Week. The Committee felt it was. Anne offered to purchase the lottery tickets used as the prize. A sheet was passed around asking for volunteers.

5. Budget Update

Pat reminded the group that they have about \$1300.00 to spend. The mandate is for enhanced communication. It was decided that the some of the money could be used for the Talk Mail System (the school usually has to pay for half with the District contributing the other half). The Committee also decided that money should be set aside to create a welcome package for incoming Grade 5 students. PSSC will pay for paper, envelopes, and postage to make this happen.

6. Traffic Update (Construction)

Bayside is receiving updates to the drainage system in front of the gym. This will require busses to do morning drop off in front of the school and special needs busses to drop off in back of the school. Parents will be asked to observe the normal drop off procedures and avoid the front of the school. This project is expected to last 3-4 weeks.

7. School Improvement Plan

Members were given a copy of the current School Improvement Plan. They were asked to take a look at the goals which have been set for the 2017-2020 school years. This is a fluid document which needs to be updated each year.

8. Administrator's Report:

- Children's Wish

Bayside students and staff raised over \$23,000.00 this year. It brings the 17 year total to over \$378,000.00. The walk took place on October 12th. Pat & Mark were taped to the gym wall on October 31st as the reward for the school surpassing the goal of \$20,000.00.

- PBIS Update & STOMP Rewards

Students who were consistently prepared for class during the first two months of school (89% of all students) were invited to a STOMP assembly on October 31st. Classes competed in a dodgeball tournament. Students who were not invited received a refresher course on being prepared. Mark has arranged for close to 100 students to go to the Imperial Theatre on November 16th to see a performance of *Blindside*. The focus on this term is Teamwork. Those students who belong to a service team with a goal to improve their school will be invited as a reward. A second group of students will be invited to see *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* at the Imperial on December 17th.

- End of Term 1- November 30th

The last day for specialties for Term 1 (Music, Art, and Tech) is November 30th. Students will begin Term 2 specialties on Monday, December 3rd. Home reports will be issued on November 19th with parent-teacher day on Thursday, November 22nd (4-7 pm) and

- November 23rd (1-3:00pm). No school for students on November 23rd as teachers have professional learning session in the morning.
- **Student Turkey Dinner**
The cafeteria will be offering a turkey dinner for students, parents, and staff on December 13th. Cost for the entire meal is \$7.00 per ticket. Tickets will be on sale starting on December 3rd.
 - **Remembrance Day Assembly**
Bayside held its annual Remembrance Day ceremony on November 8th. Once again, the students exhibited excellent and respectful behavior.
 - **Sports and Activities Update**
Soccer season is over. Our boys finished second in the District and our girls finished first in the Tier 2 playoffs.
Badminton tryouts are now being held. Tournaments will be held in December.
Cheerleaders continue their weekly practices in preparation of the competition season in the spring.
Student Council candidates for Grade 6 reps will be giving speeches on November 15th. Elections will take place the next day.
 - **Policy 711 Update**
This policy was an election issue. We are waiting to hear if policy is being revamped. This applies to what is served in the cafeteria, vending machines, what foods can be used for rewards and for fundraising.

9. Concerns from Committee

Kathie asked about the status of Rugby. Pat mentioned that liability seems to be an issue and it is rumored that rugby could be offered but as “touch” only.

Jason gave Bayside a shout out about how much his son appreciates the opportunities he is afforded at Bayside.

Members discussed the possibility of hosting another presentation for parents. Tammy suggested the topic of mental health with a middle school focus. Some things which need to be discussed further:

- Who will be invited to present?
- Should this go during school time or after school?
- Exact date? March 20th or 21st was mentioned?
- Who should attend...all students? Certain Grades?

The topic of Facebook usage came up. School personnel are not to operate this but parents, volunteers, coaches are able to do so.

10. Call to Close

Motion made by Jason and seconded by Anne

11. Next meeting- December 5th, 2018