

Meeting of P.S.S.C.
October 18, 2017
Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - Introductions – new and returning members
 - Welcoming remarks – Jason Gallant, Chair and Bill Robinson, Principal
 - Establish Quorum

2. Old Business
 - Review of Minutes, May 24 meeting
 - Business arising from the minutes – questions, clarifications

3. New Business
 - Declaration Forms: new and 2nd term members
 - Handbook perusal – Pages 15 – 22 (new handbooks for newest members)
 - PSSC Training October 26 – Riverview Middle School
 - Engaging parents during meetings – input from our membership
 - New school discussion for Salisbury – realignment of grades – K-5 Elementary
 - Teacher collaborative teams – ½ day sessions – samples of benefit to teachers and students – R. Poitras
 - JMA Armstrong High and Salisbury Middle – Research, Pilot and special opportunities:
 - Research project Grade 6
 - My Device My Learning - Bring Your Own Device
 - Essential Skills Achievement Pathways Pilot – nine essential skills
 - Overview of Emergency Procedures - Keeping Our Schools Safe document

4. Principal's Report

5. DEC highlights – Roberta / Haleigh

Adjourn

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Special Events

- Orange Shirt Day and visit by Minister of Education
- Grade 5 initiative – NB Proud 150
- Ghost Walk
- Coffee House
- Terry Fox Walk
- Fundraiser – middle school
- Mathieu Gingras presentation in September
- Post- secondary fair today for Grades 11 and 12
- “Rebranding” new logos
- School Store
- Leadership Conferences: Student Council; GSA
- 4 students attended Lecture in Moncton
- Potential NB Proud 150 Project – high school

Teaching/Learning Highlights

- New staff
- International students
- Progress Reports – high school
- Collaborative groups of teachers –
- New pedagogies... NPDL – an update

- 6 Côte : The class is culturing micro-organisms using dried hay and water. Students will study these under the microscope.
- Math 6: working on a 1000 year old Buddhist math puzzle; high level of student buy-in.
- Classes using iPads to create stop-motion animation to teach sequence.
- 7 Late Immersion – Haché - Cooking using French instructions.
- 7 Ross - Creating class newspapers in English
 - Organizing an inter-school class discussion with Bessborough using Skype to discuss a novel that classes in both schools are working on.
- Mr. Goguen has started his own You Tube channel in an attempt to compete with Ms. Ross's channel which has 40 videos for math and science.
- 7 Cliff - Brain breaks have been integrated into class time to give students chances to refresh their thinking.

- 8 Carter - Persuasive speeches are done for the year with Mr. Carter reporting that the students are using data in the most constructive way ever to make effective arguments.
 - Started a section on advertising in all the English classes. Eventually students will write and produce their own ads using iPads.

Building Upgrades / Property Improvements

- Roof
- Bleachers
- Signage
- Fountains
- Projectors
- Television monitors
- New washroom