

PSSC Meeting Minutes May 7, 2014

Present: Stephanie Prosser, Ewen Cameron, Audrey Thorne, Stacy Keeler, Lindsay Brown, Cathy Rourke, Olivia Steeves, Dan Pollock

Absent: Krista Woodman, Tracy Henderson, Lisa Lewis, Cathy Ross, Tanya Rideout, Roberta Brewer (regrets)

- **Call to Order** Moved –Dan Pollock Seconded – Olivia Steeves Carried
- **Approval of Agenda** Moved- Audrey Thorne Seconded – Lindsay Brown Carried
- **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** Moved – Stacy Keeler Seconded – Dan Pollock Carried
- **Business Arising out of the Minutes of Last Meeting:**
Climbing Wall – Has been varnished, holes drilled and grommets inserted. It will be mounted in the gym and PE teachers will mount rocks.
- **Correspondence:**
District PSSC invitation has been emailed to everyone. Stephanie will email everyone by May 16th to confirm attendance which she will forward to DEC chair.
- **Wellness Grant**
The school will be applying for the Department of Healthy Living and Inclusive Communities School Wellness Grant. Areas of application include Mental Fitness, Healthy Eating, Physical Activity, and Tobacco Free Living. Discussed applying for GPSs for Geo Caching and some equipment to increase outdoor play.
- **Principal's Reports - See attached**
- **Motion to Adjourn** Moved – Lindsay Brown Seconded – Dan Pollock Carried

Grades 6-12 Principal's Report May 7, 2104

PRS Mission, Vision and Values

Mission: "At PRS, we will promote literacies in all that we do"

Vision: "We will become active citizens in the global community"

Values: "We will be accountable and respectful and strive for personal excellence in all that we do."

Enrolment:

Middle School -149

High School - 221

Total - 370

Professional Development – On May 2nd, teachers participated in Subject Council which gathered all teachers from across the province at the Moncton Coliseum.

It Hurts Its Wrong – The Middle School Leadership Team is preparing an assembly on the May iValue, "Excellence". High School Students will participate in their monthly awards assembly on Friday, May 9th.

PISA Study – On May 6th, a selection of grade nine and ten students wrote the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). This triennial international survey aims to evaluate education systems worldwide by testing the skills and knowledge of 15-year-old students. To date, 510 000 students, representing more than 70 economies have participated in the assessment.

National Day of Honour -The Government of Canada has declared May 9th as a National Day of Honour to mark our country's end to our military mission in Afghanistan. PRS will pay tribute to the fallen, the sacrifices of the injured and the burden borne by military families with a moment of silence on May 9th. Students are also encouraged to wear red and white on that day.

SIP – Updates completed on portal April 4th

Tell Them From Me – A round table discussion was held with 12 students in grades 10 through 12. They contributed much information relating to student life and school events. They unanimously disagreed with the findings of the TTFM Survey results on bullying, stating many students do not care about the survey and spoil their answers especially after having done it year after year. They did identify the busses and gymnasium as hot spots for bullying. They also unanimously wish to keep their identity separate from the Middle School with many Student Council activities. Concerns were also raised that there is a lack of choice at the cafeteria when their time rolls around. The Elementary and Middle School students have eaten most of the specials or popular items.

High School Attendance Policy – Each ASDE High School is developing its own policy to pilot for next year.

Up-Coming Events

May 8 – Womanless Pageant @ 6:30 pm
May 13 – Grade 10 Course Selection Parent Session @ 6:00 pm
May 16 – No School for Students - NBTA Day
May 28 – International Students Host Family Meeting @ 6:00 pm
May 28 – Senior Class Coffee House @ 7:00 pm
June 2 – ASDE Mental Health Policy @ 6:30 pm
June 3 – Senior Class Class Kiwanis Banquet @ 6:30 pm
June 4 – Middle and High School Athletic Awards Night @ 6:00 pm
June 8 – Senior Class Baccalaureate Service
June 17 – Prom 6:00 pm
June 18 – Safe Grad
June 19 – Graduation 7:00 PM
June 20 – Last day for students

PSSC K-5 Principal's Report – May, 2014

School Improvement Plan Update

Literacy Goal (Reading)

80% of students will be reading at grade level at each reporting period. The remaining 20% of students will continue to make appropriate developmental gains.

December – 81% of students in grades 1-4 are reading at an appropriate level or higher. (Ks not assessed in December and 5s are in Intensive French block.)

March – 86% of students in grades K-4 are reading at an appropriate level or higher. (5s not assessed due to Intensive French block.)

Literacy Goal (Writing)

80% of students will achieve appropriate or higher in writing according to report card criteria. The remaining 20% will continue to make appropriate developmental gains.

December – 78% of students in grades 1-4 are achieving appropriate or higher in writing. (Ks not assessed in December and 5s are in Intensive French block.)

March – 76% of students in grades K-4 are achieving appropriate or higher in writing. (5s not assessed due to Intensive French block.)

Math Goal

Kindergarten-Grade 5

80% of students will achieve 80% or higher on the June Math Screener.

October – K-5 students are achieving 36% on average.

March – K-5 students are achieving 60% on average.

Math Goal 2

80% of students will achieve appropriate or higher in the Number strand each reporting period. The remaining 20% will continue to make appropriate developmental gains.

December – 88% of students in grades 1-5 achieved appropriate or higher in the number strand. (Ks not assessed in December.)

March – 89% of students in grades K-5 achieved appropriate or higher in the number strand.