

RIVERVIEW HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT SCHOOL SUPPORT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2017 6:30 – 8:30pm

Present: Mr. Jason Reath, Principal; Victoria Sanderson, Student; Armand Doucet, Teacher; Cathy LeCocq, Parent; Diane Gallant, Parent; Tammy MacFadyen, Parent; Brenda Mawhinney, DEC; Charlotte Bradley, Chair; Patricia Ables, Parent; Todd Russell, Parent; Danah Smith, Parent; Michelle Radelic, Parent

Absent: Gisele Burgess, Parent; Jennifer MacDonald, Parent

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Charlotte Bradley, seconded by Cathy LeCocq

Approval of Agenda: Accepted by Charlotte Bradley, seconded by Todd Russell

Motion to amend agenda Danah Smith, seconded by Tammy MacFadyen

Reports:

Principal – Jason Reath

- Classroom Certificates
- Study Hall
- Second semester start up
- Course request
- Asked to participate in a project at district, Education Support Services. Will be still Principal but other VPs will be taking on more responsibility

Teacher – Armand Doucet

- February Report cards
- Advisory helping kids with the career path in terms of course selection
- English grade 10 – working on semester long project, plays, rewriting project, looking to do a field trip
- 3 separate educational webinars attended by teachers
- RHS is hosting a Brain Stem Symposium hosting on May 2,3,4, led by Mr. Fogarty. Teachers will be opening up their classes to other teachers from around NB and the world. There will be guest keynote speakers.
- RHS won 2nd place in North America FTEC, teachers traveled to Florida to receive the prize.
- RHS is one of the 5 schools involved in the Personalized Learning Network.

Student – Victoria Sanderson

- Advisory leaders go to meeting with student Government and help to pass information on about activities happening in the school.
- Winter Carnival happening week of February 27th.
- Advisory classes are encouraged to get students involved.
- Girls Varsity Basket Ball team recognition for their acts of kindness at a Harbour Station Basket Ball Tournament.
- Improv won another Regional Competition and will be going to Ottawa in April.
- Dance got cancelled because of weather, looking to have another.
- Hoop classics.
- Fill the Bus.
- Raising the Royal Roof.
- Becca Told Me To event with the Chinese Lanterns.

Old Business

Building update

Progress has been made – classes are in progress – asked to wait for a further report.

School Improvement Planning

Chris Leger & Melanie Mealey - Grade 9 English teachers

- Talking about Personalized Learning so there can be growth with each individual student
Current Thinking, generating further questions, previewing supplemental text, and choosing text based on their research needs and interests.
The 4 skills of language, listening, speaking, reading & writing.
Evidence: Observations= high motivation, greater autonomy, deep engagement & improved self-regulations

Sarah Coughlan – Student Sense of Belonging

- By June 2018, 80% of students will have a sense of belonging.
- Wordle on the question - What are we doing to create a sense of belonging?
- Question asked - What should we be doing to achieve our goal? Shared answers.
- Looked at teachers answers to same question.
- Advisory representatives meeting to figure out what works.
- Still looking to see why students feel they don't belong, looking at other schools, asking questions to students & staff.

New Business:

- Discussion on Vaping
Motion: The PSSC supports propping the bathroom doors open to deter vaping. Motion moved by Tammy MacFayden, seconded by Todd Russell. Motion passed.
- Meet the teacher – tabled due to time.

Meeting adjourned by Armand Doucet, seconded by Todd Russell

Next meeting date: April 11, 2017, 6:30pm