

**BLISS CARMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**615 Kimble Drive**

**Fredericton, NB**

**E3B 0N4**

**Parent School Support Committee**

**MINUTES**

**Monday February 22nd, 6:30pm**

**Virtual TEAMS**

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| **PSSC Members Present:**  Cam Barnhill (vice chair),  Susan Gaines,  Charlotte Burhoe (secretary),  Angela D’Entremont,  Maks Chowdhury *(late arrival 6:41pm)*  Amber Bishop *(late arrival 6:46pm)*  **Others:** Gretchen Murray (teacher)  **PSSC Members Regrets:**  Dale Chisholm (chair)  Natalie Holder | **School/DEC Representation Present:**  Chantale Cloutier, Principal  **School/DEC Representation:** None |

* **Call to order @ 6:37pm *(quorum reached)***
* **Approval of the agenda:**
  + **Motion:** Angela D’Entremont
  + **Seconded:** Susan Gaines
* **Approval of the minutes from previous meeting (January):**
  + **Motion:** Susan Gaines
  + **Seconded:** Angela D’Entremont
* **Business arising from the past minutes:**
  + The Walkie-Talkies were ordered as approved at the last meeting and should be arriving soon
* **New business:** *none*
* **Correspondence:** *none*
* **Principal’s report:** *(see attached)*
  + Dale Chisholm (president of St.FX alumni) brought in a box of goodies during staff appreciation week.
  + Wellness Week: Lots happening and the link for the TEAMS live with Dr. Ryan Hamilton has gone out to all parents:
    - [https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\_ZDY0ZDk0Y2EtOTNlZC00MGVkLThlYWItNTJmNWYxY2ZhYjBm%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%224d2b5fdf-c4d2-4911-8709-68cc2f465c9f%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%224a05cfc1-9d59-41ae-9e38-87aec05c8e4f%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/0uQFFQy5au80UOlIaY47Cg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiFQAWP4QVAWh0dHBzOi8vdGVhbXMubWljcm9zb2Z0LmNvbS9sL21lZXR1cC1qb2luLzE5JTNhbWVldGluZ19aRFkwWkRrMFkyRXRPVE5sWkMwME1HVmtMVGhsWVdJdE5USm1OV1l4WTJaaFlqQm0lNDB0aHJlYWQudjIvMD9jb250ZXh0P)
    - Session is recorded and will be posted to the BCMS website afterwards for viewing later if you cannot make the live.
    - Questions have been submitted from students to the teachers as the LIVE will only be listening audio.
  + Late French Emersion: enrollment is happening now. Usually only 1 class but it was lost last year due to low registration. Always nervous as we don’t want to lose a class or teacher allotment.
    - If you know of anyone coming into grade 6 and are interested in late emersion – this is the time.
    - Student registration is looked at after March Break to the end of March – allocation of teachers/resources are based on those numbers.
  + Grade 8 graduation: There will be no end of year celebrations – specifically “no traditional” celebrations; there are plans to have something but will be different.
  + Academics: year is going quickly
* **Teacher’s report: (***see attached – provided by Gretchen Murray)*
  + Wellness week – taking lots of pictures; going very well, great to see students participating
  + Pink Day – lots happening:
    - Students have been designing t-shirts and Mme. LeGresley has started to string them along the hallway so others can see the messages. The thread of messages is very nice to see. There will be a video produced by Mme LeGresley, with a song and other items; it should be on the website at a later date.
  + Literacy: Black History Month – students have been looking for a historic figure and designing a portfolio around them and these are being posted in the hallway (grade 6)
  + STEAM is in full swing. TWOKAN – some students (10 students) are participating and looking forward to what they produce for videos in the competition
  + SEL actions are being received well by everyone. This week, looking into yoga – chair yoga as an example this week. Some of the activities have included: talking circles (grade 7), vision boards/goal setting (grade 6), Random act of Kindness (grade 8)
    - A suggestion was made to write some letters to a boy with cancer who is not doing well and was received well by the class.
  + PE is still happening and they are navigating around the new COVID19 parameters and showing creativity in new games or variations of how to play others
  + *Cam Barnhill stated that school is very different now than when “we” attended – there is so much more to do.*
* **Home & School report:** *no formal report*
  + Staff appreciation week was last week and went well. The committee can’t really go into the school but they organized a great week and took turns to drop items off
  + Next meeting has not yet been set
* **Parent communication:** *none*
* **Other business:**
  + Angela D’Entremont expressed thanks as a parent and a teacher, to be communicated to the staff at BCMS, that everything they all do to make the school so great for the kids right now is appreciated.
  + Gretchen Murray expressed that the kids make it really easy for them to do what they do. Also expressed much thanks and appreciation to the H&S for all they do for the staff.
* **Date of Next Meetings**
  + March 29, 2020
  + April 26, 2020
  + May - none
  + June – TBD

ovember 30, 2020

o December - none

o January 18, 2020

o February 22, 2020

o March 29, 2020

o April 26, 2020

o May - none

o June – hold off on scheduling date at the moment due to situation being fluid

* **Adjournment @ 6:59pm**
  + Motion: Susan Gains
  + Seconded: Amber Bishop