

**BLISS CARMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**615 Kimble Drive**

**Fredericton, NB**

**E3B 0N4**

**Parent School Support Committee**

**MINUTES**

**Monday March 29th, 2021 6:30pm**

**Virtual TEAMS**

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

* **Call to order -** 6:32pm
* **Approval of the agenda**
  + **Motion:** Susan Gaines
  + **Seconder:** Angela D’Entremont
* **Approval of the minutes from previous meeting (February)**
  + **Motion:** Angela D’Entremont
  + **Seconder:** Amber Bishop
* **Business arising from the past minutes:** *none*
* **New business:**
  + Will there be any year end celebration for grade 8?
    - Celebrations will look different this year of course in order to follow COVID restrictions and it’s the intention to recognize the students – perhaps a drive through but more details will be forthcoming
    - Currently this zone is a “Yellow” zone and the hope is it will stay this way or move into “Green”
    - There will be **no** farewell dance – it’s off the table
    - Hope to move on with other recognitions such as academic & sports
    - ***Action Item: More details to come***
* **Correspondence:** *none*
* **Principal’s report:** *(see attached – Chantal Cloutier)*
  + Low number of reg for intro to French immersion – definitely a concern
  + Charlotte – is this something that we individually we can post to community SM groups.
    - Dale – is this a good way to use resources
    - Angela – was asked to put a notice on fresh grade – a notice of what is happening *(this is a different school)*
    - Might be too late//struggle every year with getting this out
    - Amber – asked if catchment for new school on Hanwell could be affecting numbers but it does not appear to be.
  + Pre-service teachers – welcoming/welcoming back as some are the same
* **Teacher’s report:** *(see attached - Gretchen Murray)*
  + After March – it appeared most students took longer to settle in. Have reminder for Behavior Matrix in the room in the classroom so you could refer back to it
  + Julie LeGresley – produced a good SEL binder for a “quick look” reference
  + Chili dinner April 10th (25% funds go back to BCMS) - NML and a sponsor will be providing all ingredients and supplies; Contact is: Lion Bill O’Donnell (NML)
    - ***Action Item: More details to come***
  + TWOKAM the week of April 12 – 16th.   
    Resources on the for parents and teachers: <https://talkwithourkidsaboutmoney.com/>
* <https://www.dcp.edu.gov.on.ca/en/curriculum/elementary-mathematics/grades/g7-math/strand-a/social-emotional-learning-sel-skills-and-the-mathematical-processes>
  + Mme Gilders was invited to participate in learning project – how a bill is organized and then becomes legislation
  + Report cards – really pleased with students’ progress; trying to stick with it academically; tons of effort
  + PhyED – volleyball teams; are playing against schools in the zones
  + Admin – talking about end of year but also about field trips and what can be done inthe bubbles; also looking at transitioning kids from gr 5 to come into BCMS
* **Home & School report:** *(none – Mak)*
* **Parent communication:**
  + Trash cans in girls washrooms. Discreet ways to dispose of feminine products.
    - Chantal will be looking into this
* **Other business:** 
  + **Amber** asked if the PSSC members knew what DEC was and the requirements. Wanted to point out that currently no one in this ward/district was running and it wasn’t a bad position or a tremendous amount of work. It was important and those who do (to her knowledge) enjoy the position. Time commitment is for the attending the PSSC meetings of the schools in the “zone” and then the monthly DEC meeting.
    - ***Offered to connect individuals interested with those in current roles***
* **Date of Next Meetings**
  + April 26, 2020
  + May - none
  + Date now decided - June 7th

November 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 flui

* **Adjournment:** 7:13pm