

Fredericton High School Parent School Support Committee

MINUTES

Monday, April 29, 2019 – 5:30 pm, Room C22

Present:

Shane Thomas – Principal	Kim Kelly
Rhonda Baker Gordon - Chair	Jason Farris
Coleen Gorman-Asal - Vice-Chair	Pamela Kitchen
Wendy Wright-Gardner	Karen Flinn
Tracey Burkhardt	Andrew Rutledge - Teacher Representative

Regrets:

Joey Bernard
Student representatives

• Welcome

R. Baker Gordon welcomed the group and reviewed agenda for the last meeting of this year's PSSC. Motion to approve agenda made by C. Gorman-Asal and seconded by T. Burkhardt.

Minutes from April 29, 2019 meeting were approved by email and have been posted on website.

• Reports

DEC

R. Baker Gordon advised she did not receive any updates from DEC chair. J. Farris provided an update from his recent attendance at the DEC symposium held in Miramichi. He felt the symposium was well organized and that it was very interesting to meet and talk with other PSSC members and with DEC reps. He has all the presentations on a USB drive and gave to S. Thomas for anyone interested in reviewing.

Sessions he attended included: 1) The IDEA Centre -an offsite entrepreneurship classroom, 2) Inquiries and Exploration in Science – a hands on display of student learning activities, 3) Learning outside – concept of putting students outside and incorporating nature in lessons, and 4) PSSC Budgets. As well, there was a presentation on the nutrition policy and a dinner with Minister Dominic Cardy.

Teacher's Report

Mr. Rutledge advised he received a thank you card from Stephanie Haslan, former DEC rep.

Principal's Report

Mr. Thomas gave an update on the following:

- Signage – signs paid for from PSCC budget have been installed and more are to follow.
- Welcome to FHS handout – has been provided to the feeder schools and will be included as part of the Grade 8 report card.
- Graduation seating – reminder that PSSC members can contact Sherry Wilkins for reserved seating.
- SPR reports – Mr. Thomas circulated year end reports compiled by SPR's.
- Thank You – Mr. Thomas offered a huge thank you to Rhonda Baker Gordon for her seven year tenure on PSSC including the last few years as PSSC chair. Thanks also to Coleen Gorman-Asal for her years of service.

Committee Reports

- School Improvement Plan (SIP) – SIP document is now with the SPR's to complete for the 2019/2020 school year.
- **Carry-Forward Business**
 - Vaping – T. Burkhardt provided an update on the information she has collected regarding the health effects of vaping. Plan is to have some type of information session in next school year.
- **New Business**
 - Parent Survey – K. Flinn circulated a draft of survey to be handed out at the September Meet the Teacher night. The group reviewed the draft and recommended the third question be eliminated. The plan is for the survey to be handed out to parents at the last session of the evening. Mr. Thomas will ensure the survey is prepared for the event.
 - PSSC Membership status for Next Year – J. Bernard, K. Flinn, K. Kelly, P. Kitchen and W. Wright-Gardner will be returning next year. T. Burkhardt and J. Farris have one year community terms. There will be two – three year terms and two – one year community terms available for the 2019/2020 school year.
- **Closing Comments and Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. PSSC elections and first meeting for the 2019/2020 school year will be held in September.

Minutes prepared by: Kim Kelly