Nashwaaksis Memorial School

Parent School Support Committee Minutes

Date: March 22, 2022 Time: 6:00pm

Location: Teams

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| PSSC Members Present:  Rochelle Fletcher  Sue O’Donnell  Brandi Jones  Kimberly Ranson  Sheena Hathaway  PSSC Regrets:  Rebecca Fullarton  Julie Gallant  Dallas Jardine | School/DEC Representation Present:  Christie Jordan  Jason Burns  School/DEC Representation Regrets: |

**Call to Order**: By Rochelle at 6:03 PM

**Approval of Agenda:**

No agenda was submitted

**Approval of the Minutes from previous meeting:**

Done via email.

**Agenda Items**

**Absentee staff members**:

We were provided with an additional supply teacher and EA this year but they can be moved to another location. We have come close to needing to cancel extras like music and gym to accommodate absentees but have been able to pull through. It has been tough to try and get enough teachers and EAs. 6 employees are out currently for illness. A lot of unfilled absences across NB schools, attempts to combine smaller classes or cancel specialists (gym, music etc) if needed. Support until April 1st, but not sure what the plan will be for the remaining school year.

**After school programs**

Something to investigate offering at the school. Other schools seem to be able to provide clubs and societies, it would be nice to see NMS offer some of these options now that covid restrictions have been lifted. 20 mins snack/recess period is ideal during various club societies. A lot of student athletics need hours of volunteer work, Sue offered to look into this to see if that would be available.

**Principal Update:**

Jason wanted to share on what we spent this years budget on. Lending Library received proceeds $250 and sent out a survey and got back results on what parents/students could use for books. Added books to the Weebly so parents can sign them out for a 2 weeks loan (examples like anxiety, covid-19, diversity, autism etc.). Sending out an email to all parents that they are available to loan out and if parents have something to share we would certainly be happy to accept other donations. Idea from Rochelle: look into adding references and links that parents could just click on to bring up resources through articles or podcasts. Annual budget has been used within a few dollars.

Parent/teacher interviews in April – just before Easter, can be set up via teams but can be face to face this time.

Book fair is starting next week and will be in person.

**DEC Update:**

N/A

**New Business:**

Contact District Transportation and city of Fredericton Police re: High School Student flashing kids who take the early bus run.

**Correspondences:**

* N/A

**Closing Comments:**

**Date of Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at 6pm

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm