**Ridgeview Middle School**

**Parent School Support Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Date: May 3, 2022 Time: 6:00 – 7:00pm**

**Location: Ridgeview (in-person)**

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| **PSSC Members Present:**  Tammy Hudlin, Chair  Joanna Desormeaux, Vice-Chair  Brandi Cameron  **PSSC Members Regrets:**  Melanie Hartt, Secretary  Veronique Fournier  Wanda Rosene  Yan-Philip Cote-Baribeau  Erynn Dreaddy-Bailey  Vernica Dulic | **School/DEC Representation Present:**  Amanda Piron, Principal  Kelly Aitken, Teacher Rep  **School/DEC Representation:**  Thomas Geburt |

**Call to Order:** Tammy called the meeting to order at 6:07pm

**Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting**: approved via email correspondence

**Business Arising from the Minutes:** Education Governance

**Approval of the Agenda:** Joanna and Brandi

**Agenda:**

Update - Education Governance Reform Initiative – (Thomas)

* Thomas shared that since our last PSSC meeting on Apr. 5, he attended a meeting on Apr. 21 with the Deputy Minister where a presentation was shared about how to address the concerned issues and ideas to amend the proposed model
* Within the updated document: *Working Together to Empower Our Public Education System* – the Enhanced School Support Committee description allows more voice than previously presented
* An additional engagement session has been scheduled for May 9, for PSSC chairs that were not able to attend previously scheduled meetings in April; Tammy plans to attend
* Next scheduled meeting for Thomas is on May 11

Principal’s Updates:

* Share NB Student Wellness survey results
  + Replaced the Student Perception Survey
  + There has been a delay in the results for grades 6-12; Amanda just recently received results on Apr. 13
  + They have only received results/responses from each survey question
  + In May, the school will receive comparison results – to ‘like’ schools, as well as provincially
  + School data team will begin to look at the school’s results next week
  + This information provides a data point when building the School Plan in June – identifying their strengths, areas of growth, and next steps
  + Amanda reviewed the results for each domain; 131 questions
  + There were concerns raised by the PSSC members about the number of questions on the survey, the language on the survey, and the rating scales
  + Amanda is hopeful that we will have the opportunity to provide feedback to strengthen the survey
* School Plan 2021-2022 – Share impact statements
  + School Plan is uploaded to Clevr – working document
  + All staff are involved in writing the impact statements
  + Use of data to justify the School Plan
  + Goal = to prioritize conversations connected to student learning
  + Identifies *Indicators of Success*
  + Identifies the *Actions/Strategies* (steppingstones) in order to reach the goal
  + *Impact Statements* state what has been learned throughout this process
  + Although the current goal will change next year, it will still be embedded in the Classroom Practice Domain
* The Annual School Report indicates that the School Plan 2022-23 should be focused on Classroom Practice as this domain was identified as an area of growth
* Year-end Celebration updates
  + Magic Mountain has confirmed for June 21; fee of $30.00; students will be picked up at OHS parking lot
  + Information will be shared with families about the field trip on Wednesday, May 11
  + Amanda shared those 97 students have outstanding student fees – paying student fees has always been a challenge, however, the number of students who have yet to pay their student feed at this point in the year is significant in comparison to other years
  + Awards ceremonies per grade level
    - Grade 6 awards will be distributed within homerooms as they will be personal towards each student
    - Grade 7 has expressed interest for families to attend an in-person ceremony in the gymnasium; awards: Love of Learning, Citizenship, Improvement
    - School wide awards ceremony will be held virtually on the morning of June 23 where grade 8 awards will be presented – the recipients of the awards will receive them in their envelope that they will pick up at the drive thru ceremony: drive thru ceremony @ 5:30 and NARP @ 7:00 (Aloha theme)
    - Other awards that will be presented during the school wide awards ceremony at each grade level that include a monetary award are Christopher Dickinson (overcoming adversity) and Eileen Kennedy-Demmings (math skills beyond the classroom) awards.

**Actions:**

\*Amanda will contact Public Health re: Immunizations clinic

\*Amanda to look into possibility of adding a donation option when families pay the fee for Magic Mountain to help support families that may not have the means to pay

**Closing Comments:**

\*Tammy asked about Immunization #2 scheduled May 19 for Gr. 7/8 – typically there needs to be 6

months between immunizations

\*Brandi asked about the possibility of adding a donation tab within School Cash Online – for families

wishing to make donations that could be used for students/families not able to pay for Year End trip to

Magic Mountain

\*Amanda shared a family in Gr. 8 will be providing a donation towards the end of year gift card draw as

well as $1000 towards the 3- flagpole system which will be installed over the summer

\*Amanda shared that Sarah Francis has the flags and she is organizing and flag ceremony for RMS with Ron Tremblay

\*Brandi asked about OHS transition – OHS will be visiting the school tomorrow to provide grade 8 students with an information session and an opportunity for questions and answers; school to school

transition meetings are taking place; school tours have been scheduled

\*Amanda shared that RMS will host a popsicle party for grade 5 students and their families the week before school starts – this will give students the opportunity to meet other students, meet their teachers, tour the building again and get familiar with the space. We look forward to welcoming our new students and their families

**Adjournment:** 7:29pm