**St. Malachy’s High School**

**Parent School Support Committee**

**Meeting Minutes- February 19, 2019**

**Attendance:** Brad Stevens, Karen Keating Small, Andrew Dykeman, Mary McKiel, Angie Smith, Laura Garland, Debbie Higgins, Tina McGloan, Darren McDevitt

**1. Meeting called to order**, 5:30 pm.

**2. Approval of Agenda/ Additions**- Moved by Mary McKiel seconded by Debbie Higgins

* Karen to add into the group distribution list Warren Coombs and Laura Garland

**3. Approval of last Minutes**- Moved by Laura Garland seconded by Andrew Dykeman

**4. Open House**- PSSC Committee discussed the following:

1. Thank you from Brad Stevens.

2. Next Year’s Open House – There was a discussion about the PSSC being more involved, maybe helping with providing directions when people are leaving the gym. PSSC members could also be situated throughout the school to help answering any questions.

**5. Collaborative PSSC - “It Takes a Village Committe” update**- Karen Small updated committee.

1. The committee is looking at getting Dr. Chorney as a guest speaker for the next event April 4th The topic will be Social Media. Looking for a location either Harbour View High or St. Malachy’s. Mental Health will be involved as well.
2. The teachers from the school will be attending a separate event with Dr. Chorney.
3. There is a new communication officer with the district and perhaps they could be helpful in getting “word out” about our event.
4. Amy Marshall has joined the committee from our PSSC

**6. Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Survey Results**- Brad Stevens reviewed the survey results:

1. Report on Student Outcomes and School Climate - This report provides information based on data from 610 students from the school between Nov. 28, 2018 and Dec. 19, 2018.

**7. Teacher’s Report- Warren Coombs provided an overview.**

1. Provided a list of new teachers at the school and an update on upcoming LOA(s).
2. Brad Stevens and Warren Coombs provided an update on how the teachers and students have been coping after the tragic loss of Mr. Jared Holder. They expressed their gratitude for all the support that has been pouring in from the PSSC, STM families and friends.
3. There is a fund for Mr. Holder’s children and teachers are looking at making a contribution. Students will also be involved in an additional initiative.
4. Members of the PSSC provide some positive feedback on how the School’s Administration team handled the passing of Mr. Holder.
5. The STM students were very respectful throughout the week.
6. There was a special service held at the school for Mr. Holder.
7. Teacher appreciation week will be held in April or May for the STM staff. Brad Stevens will let us know what date works best.

**8. Principal’s Report- Brad Stevens**

1. March 13, 2019, there will be an information session for parents concerning course selection.
2. March 21, 2019, course selections due.
3. March 21 st UNESCO action day
4. In April there will be an environmental day. There will be discussions on ways to improve the environment.
5. The Musical is coming up at the end of March. The school is performing “High School Musical”.

**10. Meeting adjourned** at 6:23pm. Next meeting is March 18, 2019.