PSSC Minutes

October 14th, 2015

In Attendance: Angela Young, Mike Mortlock, Kim Martin, Annie Boudreau, Cathy Morrison, Norm Lyons, Margaret Clevett

Regrets: Kelly LaFlamme

Appt. of Chair: Annie Boudreau

Appt. of Vice Chair: Cathy Morrison

Approval of Agenda: Kim Martin, Seconded: Cathy Morrison

Approval of minutes from last meeting: Moved by General Consensus

New Business:

- Distribution of handbook to new members

- Presentation of new daily schedule which maximizes teaching minutes by Angela. She also talked about the Wellness Block which is being used for movement and student wellness activities
- School Profile:
 - 186 students
 - 13 teachers (including Admin)
- Angela went over the staffing for the current school year
- Angela went over the school initiatives that have been done to date, listed the school events.
- School Improvement Plan:
 - Kept the same plan but are working on new actions
 - Math: implementing new curriculum maps focusing on vocabulary, creation of common assessments with multiple choice section, spiraling questions based on previous assessments, goal is to have students see connections between Math and other things
- Mission and Vision Statements:
 - Angela was seeking approval for the revision of both statements
 - Approval was granted unanimously
- PSSC Budget:
 - Funds to be used for School Connects
 - Moved by Kim, seconded by Cathy
 - Remainder of budget will go toward communication needs:- moved by Norm, seconded by Kim
- School Events:

- Angela is seeking suggestions that might help increase attendance at the annual Meet and Greet
- School Activity Period Angela would like to see more parental/community involvement. It is getting harder to manage this with fewer staff members each year.
- Angela is looking for suggestions of ways to help increase student council funds. Magazine Drive is not as successful as in previous years
- DEC Chair: Mike Mortlock
 - Discussed the sustainability studies and recommendation made by the district which is to build a new school. They are waiting for a response from the provincial government. This may take up to 60 days.
 - o If accepted the DEC has no say where the school will be built
 - The DEC will not accept a new school being built on any less than 15 acres but they would really like to have a new school built on 22 acres.
 - o If the building of a new school is approved the three schools involved will likely remain status quo for three years.
 - There will be a meeting at LER on October 20th, 2015 to discuss the 10 year Education Plan. Mike is encouraging PSSC members and parents to attend.
- Dates for Future Meetings (beginning at 6:30pm)
 - December 9th, 2015
 - February 24th, 2016
- Adjournment: Approximately 8:15

Submitted by Margaret Clevett