

Nackawic High School Parent School Support Committee Minutes March 11, 2025, 6:30 pm

Location: Nackawic High School

| PSSC Members Present: | PSSC Members, Regrets: | School/DEC Representation |
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| Jeanette Garland, Chairperson | Adele Christie | Present: |
| Andrea Hull | Clair Knox | Sean Newlands, Principal |
| Justin McGuigan | Robert Simpson | Tyson Farrell, Student Rep. |
| Tanya Perry | Selena Trail | |
| Heidi Knox | | |
| Andrea Cronkhite, Teacher | School/DEC Representation, | |
| | Regrets: | |
| | Tanya Cloutier | |
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Call to Order: 6:35pm

1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

a) Andrea Hull moves and Jeanette seconds to accept the minutes from the previous meeting.

2) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Tanya Cloutier provided notes from the DEC. The DEC has approved a plan to fund the installation of additional flag poles to ensure all schools have three flag poles to fly the Canadian flag, NB flag, and encouraged to fly the Wolastoqey flag. It is not yet clear if the DEC will be funding the flags.
- b) The DEC has received word about the condition of our sign and our driveway and other general maintenance for the outside of the school. Work is arranged based on a priority basis, but Tanya is optimistic.
- c) There is a symposium taking place in Fredericton in May 30 and 31. Folks are interested to attend can notify Jeanette to attend the symposium. Names must be submitted by April 30, after which time a draw will take place. Successful attendees will be notified by May 9.
- d) The PSSC expenditures for Staff Appreciation Week was \$342. Our budget is roughly \$418. We may be able to purchase an additional spot(s) to attend the symposium (see previous note).
- e) Andrea Hull moves to purchase door branding decorations for the gym and front doors, to enhance student environment, utilizing the balance of the PSSC funds for this fiscal, with cost sharing by the school as necessary. Tanya Perry seconds. Motion carried.
- f) On the subject of the incident discussed at the previous PSSC meeting, Mr. Newlands reviewed basic details of steps that the school has taken to provide ongoing education opportunities for the student, and details about ongoing impacts within the school. Jeanette asked if Mr. Newlands could please let the PSSC know if there are additional updates. Mr. Newlands agreed.

3) NEW BUSINESS

a) Adele Pickard has withdrawn her name from the PSSC due to lack of availability.





- b) International student updates: We are up to 12 international students this semester. Some have weak English but are getting along well with the school. Work is currently underway to begin the process related to international students for next year.
- c) Mr. Newlands provided an update on the School Plan. A highlight is that teachers have noted increased efforts from students to get their work in on time. Course failure rates are very low overall. Stats were noted that there is an obvious correlation between absence and failure rates. Also, students who have failed a course typically fail multiple courses. February reported the lowest number of cell phone incidents since the program was implemented. The program is working very well. Attendance rates are strong overall.

4) OPEN TO THE FLOOR

a) No comments

Date of next meeting: April 22, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Jeanette Garland, President

Justin McGuigan, Secretary

Date

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