

PSSC Meeting  
October 15, 2013  
Rexton Elementary School

Members in attendance: Diane Wilson  
Natasha Simon  
Matthew Johnson  
Julia Mazerolle

Chair of today's meeting: Diane Wilson

- Review of agenda.
- Introductions
- PSSC training presentation (Powerpoint).
- The PSSC Manual has been updated last winter. We read the main points in the manual. Everyone in attendance received a binder with the updated manual.
- We brainstormed names of parents to submit for possible appointment to the School Appeal Committee. We need 3 - 30 parents on the committee.
  - Aline Khoury
  - Rose Morris
  - Rosa Barlow
- PSSC Chair - Dave Gaudet will let his name stand for chair, but is willing to step down if someone else wants to be chair. No one at the meeting was willing/able. Dave will continue as chair.
- PSSC Secretary - Julia Mazerolle acted as secretary tonight. Appointment of secretary will be discussed at next meeting.
- Declaration forms were signed.
- Community members: Brainstormed possible community members to be called upon to join our PSSC.
  - Nancy MacEachern
  - Barry Robertson
  - Elaine Warren
  - David Hansen
  - Ivan Augustine
- Review of minutes from the last PSSC meeting.

- Approval of minutes of last meeting: Matthew Johnson. Seconded by Julia Mazerolle.
- Home and School report: Natasha Simon
  - Executive meeting has occurred this year. Focused on Craft Sale and Book Fair
  - In spring:
    - o Home and School election. All executive re-offered. Rose Morris is Treasurer; Aline Khoury is Vice President; Veronica Cail is Secretary; Natasha Simon is President.
    - o They planned the Grade 5 Farewell.
    - o Agreed to pay for bussing for class fieldtrips. Classes took trips to the Magnetic Hill Zoo, Pays de la Sagouine, Ritchie Wharf, and paddling in Miramichi.
    - o The planetarium.
- September 2013 Highlights: Diane Wilson (Power Point)
  - Class sizes, new students and adding a new teacher on September 12.
  - Review of classes and teachers
  - RES' 2013 Demographics
  - First aid for staff; fire, bus and lock down drills; Roots of Empathy program in 2 classes; teachers participating in a book study/blog for the book "Opening Minds"; Open House; two assemblies supporting the bucket filling program; Terry Fox walk; school photos; a newsletter.
- October 2013 Highlights: Diane Wilson (Power Point)
  - Student council elections using the SENTEO program; staff evaluations and professional growth goals; two Professional Learning Days were spent on UDL and assessment; Book Fair; Kindergarten registration; photo retakes on October 29; health issues - hand, foot and mouth disease, as well as head lice.
- New business: Diane Wilson (Power Point)
  - Elizabeth Stymiest began as our new Superintendent today.
  - DEC meeting is at RES on Monday October 21, 2013 at 5:15. PSSC is not expected to attend.
  - Review of the SIP. The plan is from 2012 - 2015. We looked at some of the components we will be working on in 2013-2014. Diane will meet

with teachers soon about the SIP and send a copy to Matthew Johnson as he has not had an opportunity to read it in detail.

- Teachers are preparing a gift basket to sell tickets on. Funds raised will support the family of a grade 5 RES student. The father is very sick and has been confined to a wheel chair. They desperately need to renovate the entry of their house before winter. Teachers hope to sell tickets on the basket at the Craft Sale.
- Connie Agnew is back in the school office.
- Raymond Murphy is hoping to have a joint PSSC meeting with the 3 schools in late October or early November.
- At future PSSC meetings:
  - We will be monitoring the SIP and looking at the Positive Learning & Working Environment Plan.
  - Suggestion by Diane Wilson: possibility of guest speakers. Perhaps the new superintendent.
  - Angela Savory is taking the threat assessment training.
  - Asked if there are any other suggestions to put forth for further meetings. Nothing offered.
  - The next meeting is set tentatively for Tuesday, November 26.
  - Marked Tuesday, January 28 as the tentative date of next meeting after that.
  - Meeting adjourned by Natasha Simon.