



Carleton North High School
30 School Street, Florenceville-Bristol, N.B.
PSSC Minutes

Date: September 27, 2023 Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Library/Virtual

<p>PSSC Members Present: Tara Orchard Sherry Brennan Karen Guest Connie Smith Victoria Hutt Heather Chase Lisa Wolverton Corinne Kilfoil Derek Tracey, Teacher Rep Kiersten Orchard, SRC</p> <p>PSSC Members Regrets: Brian McLean</p>	<p>School/DEC Representation Present: Jason Smith, Principal Jana Brennan, Vice-Principal</p> <p>School/DEC Representation Regrets: Mark Thompson</p>
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Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Jason Smith at 6:30 pm.

Celebration: Rain has stopped and harvest has begun. School parking lot looks great. Tennis court is complete as well. Electrical upgrades were completed this summer. Successful tree growth behind school, being transplanted Thursday. Regional Golf tournament this Friday. Great start up with Grade 9's. Coop students out in their work placements. Lots of social media posts. Terry Fox Run/Walk, goal is to raise \$1,000.00.

Approval of the Agenda: Karen Guest moved to accept the agenda. Heather Chase seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting: Karen Guest moved to accept the minutes and seconded by Heather Chase. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Annual Documents:

Declaration Forms were handed to each PSSC member to sign.

Role of PSSC – The Parent School Support Committee (PSSC) is a group of parents and community members who work in an encouraging, advisory, and collaborative fashion with the School Principal and staff to ensure the best possible learning opportunities for students of their school.

Dates for meetings – October 18, 2023, November 22, 2023, January 17, 2024, February 21, 2024, April 17, 2024 and May 15, 2024.

Chair/Co-Chair – nominations for Chair, Tara Orchard, through accumulation Tara Orchard will be Chair. Nomination for Lisa Wolverton as Vice-Chair, through accumulation Lisa Wolverton is Vice-Chair.

2 names have come forward for new PSSC members. Corinne Kilfoil and Mary Maduapera. Corinne Kilfoil is with us tonight through TEAMS. Corinne Kilfoil is acclaimed one of our new PSSC members. Welcome Corinne. Jason will reach out to Mary Maduapera.

New Business:

Mybaragar.com – it is a website with information about schools for school use and public to look at. All CN parents/guardians will have access to look at.

Policy 713, SOGI – Statement was made by the ASDW DEC “The Chairperson remarked that the DEC notes the considerable conversations in the media regarding a review of EECD Policy 713 and wishes to state that the Council unequivocally supports the policy as it is currently written and considers any review of the policy should be focused on making it stronger and not reducing the safeguards within the policy.” Subsequently, we have been requested by the media, if we were going to follow suit with the other school districts in creating our own new Policy 713. We have also been challenged on our position at both the 25 May and 29 June public DEC meetings by members of the public, most of whom seem to support the revised policy. Our Council has decided to await the results of Mr. Lamrock’s review of the ‘new’ policy and then consider our options. Every student needs to feel supported, safe and secure.

Hopeful Transitions (pilot) – To ensure that each learner grades 6-12 is actively engaged in planning for their post-secondary life. Developing student portfolios. Mandate that students in every class continue building their portfolios through Myblueprint. There is a Coach that will work with staff.

School Reports:

- a) Principal’s Report – see attached document
- b) SRC Report – see attached document
- c) Staff Report – see attached document

Other Business:

If you have any topics you would like discussed at future meetings, please send an email to Jason or Tara Orchard.

Guest Speakers – Jason has been getting lots of emails from motivational speakers. He is going to reach out to the other high schools to see if they have booked any.

Police Presence – RCMP have been in the school the last couple weeks. Just to say hello. Have seen more police presence in the area since July 1st.

Date of Next Meeting: October 18, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Library

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm

PSSC Chair

Date

PSSC Secretary

Date



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Date/Time: Sept 27, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Location: CNHS Library

Agenda Items:

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Celebrations
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes - PSSC Minutes May 16, 2023 – Carleton North High School (nbed.ca)
5. Correspondence:
6. Annual Documents:
 - Governance documents and model
 - What role of PSSC and members are
 - Declaration Form
 - Dates for meetings
 - Chair/co-chair
 - Ratification of new members
 - Terms for each member
7. New Business:
 - Mybaragar.com (information for schools and public)
 - Policy 713, SOGI
 - Hopeful Transitions (pilot)
 - Physical Upgrades to the school
8. School Reports
 - Principal's Report - Jason
 - SRC Report – Alanna/Kiersten
 - Staff Report –
9. Other Business
10. Next Meeting:

Adjournment

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1. Facilities Updates-

- a. Completion of electrical upgrade occurred this summer and the transformer is located outside the school with all previous transformers removed. This started 15 months ago and was on hold for parts. Part of our Mid-Life upgrade.
- b. Paving: More than half the school drive is paved with addition of two side-walk areas put in. The remainder should be scheduled for next year. This is part of the mid-life upgrades to the school.
- c. Hard Court: Nearly complete. Paving, order of equipment done and the remainder is installation. We will have tennis, pickleball, basketball and ball hockey with a couple other items painted for fun. Two entrance/exits now installed. Came in on budget thanks to RDC, McCain Foundation as well as donations from District of Carleton North and our own school contributions. Essentially, we have it done for about \$ 110,000.00.
- d. New Garage door for Woodshop: ASD-W facilities Manager Mark Reid believes all need to be replaced and he is looking at seeing if this can occur this year.
- e. Roof Leaks: two that we know of, one in the D-hall where new roof is and one over the staff room. ASD-W is on this too.
- f. Jason has asked district staff what else is in the scope of the mid-life upgrade so we are aware of what is coming this year/next year. We know our Theatre is not within the scope of the project and anything done to this will be up to the community.

2. Staffing Updates-

- a. New Teaching staff: Sarah Davenport (nee Sullivan), Jewel McLatchy (nee Frenette), and Kaylee Cronkhite.
- b. New EA's: Brenda Alward (Nackawic), Tara Guest (nee Richards), Brigit, Rachelle Williams. We have some substitutes in daily as our positions have been advertised in CUPE several times. This creates a rolling cascade of people taking permanent and casual positions. This should settle after October 15th. We had 7 positions advertised this year.

3. Grade 9-12 with High School Renewal:

- a. Students in 9 will operate much like MS in terms of core subject matter. Some new courses have been introduced such as wellness verses Personal and career development.
- b. Grades 10-12 have new courses, new curriculum framework where it is being called a holistic curriculum with social justice, human rights themes and other 21st century themes interwoven. Staff have had an introduction to this framework on their PL days and will continue to do so throughout the year. Students have started accumulating credits for graduation in grade 10 and will take a minimum of 120 credit hours of content across the curriculum areas (mandated and choice categories). They must achieve 100 credit hours of course work to graduate. Those on the older system will still have the same number of required courses but their credit hours have switched over in power school. Essentially, each course is now worth 4 credits hours. The department is working on micro-courses that could be worth 1, 2,3 or 4 credit hours and this will add to student ability to add credits regardless of their situation down the road. This is our first year with the changes and we believe things are looking good so far. As we encounter the

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next year or two of change processes we will have issues to navigate especially with scheduling. Some flexibility is in the required courses for English. In the past, 7 credits were needed across four years (both semesters of English 9-11 with no flexibility). Now other courses can satisfy the literacy components and only one course labeled as English (9-12) is needed. Writing, journalism for example can satisfy literacy outcomes and this allows students greater flexibility as does it us in the scheduling process.

4. Referral Process for School Staff and Student Services Team:
 - a. A new electronic process will be in place through power school. Staff will need to submit their requests to school based ESS (Guidance, Resource & Admin) and this will be tracked with all related data, no more paper copies and should save time in the end.
 - b. ESS members will have to look for referrals intentionally as the system will not notify us (draw back). Anything we do, also tracked electronically and this is supposed to expedite service requests from district ESS team. I suspect we will still have to tell them when we've sent a request for service request so they will know to look.
5. Potato Harvest Enhancement Agreement:
 - a. We are still supporting our students to the best of our ability to participate in Harvest.
 - b. There was a complaint to our MLA's office that we were not supporting this anymore and I was questioned about this.
 - c. When the last agreement was signed, a policy was written for ASD-W called "Ends-Policy" which means that the formal policy, technology supports, and planning around this had an end date. I have inquired as to the status/copies of the policy so that the community is aware and we don't receive complaints.

PSSC Student Council Report

1. We are organizing a Homecoming Dance for the 19th of October. This will be a formal dance, and we are planning on hiring a DJ (Alden Ebbet for \$270).
2. We are still looking for Teacher volunteers to supervise the dance - so far, we have about 3.
3. Our plan for theme days this year is to have a couple every month on Thursdays- the next one might be Tropical Thursday on October 5th. We are also planning on doing a couple of theme weeks before big breaks like Winter break and March break.
4. We have a new idea for a fundraiser this year- an outdoor movie. Entry will be free, and we will sell snacks. The location for the screen to be set up is still undecided. The date for this event is also TBD.
5. We are selling SPC cards for \$10, half of the money goes back to the suppliers, we get to keep the other half.

Sports that have already started:

Baseball- We've had a couple of wins, season is almost over.

Soccer- Girls and boy's teams have been on winning streaks, The girls' team recently went to a tournament last weekend.

Hockey- Try-outs for Girls and Boys hockey have taken place.

Golf- The golf season is coming to an end- the team is heading off to PTA for regionals soon.

Basketball- Open gyms are happening for both teams, try-outs have not commenced yet.

Cheer- practices every Tuesday and Thursday, unsure of any upcoming meets.

Club Badminton- practices on Wednesday.

Swim Team- Run by Mr. Muise, practices on Sunday.

Clubs that have already started:

Yearbook- Supervisor is Ms. Nickerson. This year's editors are Eva Thompson, Maya Rector, and Shamoya Williams. Meetings are every Wednesday.

Band- Run by Mr. Jordan and Ms. Goodine. Practices are every Tuesday and Thursday.

ICU- International citizenship and Understanding- run by Mr. Lawrence, meets every Wednesday.

Art Club- run by Ms. Nickerson after school every Thursday.

Welding and Automotive- Wednesdays after school with Mr. Robbins and Mr. Stokes.

GSA- Meetings every Tuesday at noon with Ms. Sullivan as the supervisor.

ISCF- Inter-scholastic Christian fellowship meeting with Mr. Davis every Thursday at noon.

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Submitted by Derek Tracey

Academics:

Donna White's World Issues 120 class is collecting Hoodies for the Homeless as a part of understanding privilege and quality of life concepts locally.

Jewel McLatchy is running a friendly competition between her PIF 9 and 10 classes, as well as pitting them both against Yvonne Reardon's PIF 10 classes in a matching game called "J'ai Qui a?". Students are becoming quite competitive.

Karen Brooks and Amy McIntosh invited Dustin Day from the Canadian Mental Health Association of NB in to speak with their Goals, Growth, and Grit 120 classes about teen mental health on Monday, Sept. 25.

Co-Op 120 students are now out in their workplaces. Many thanks to the community for hosting them – from Riverbend Auto to Crafty Corner to DunRoamin to Bristol Elementary to BWS.

Carleton North High School will be hosting Elder and Indian Residential School Survivor, Vaughn Nicholas of Neqotkuk on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd.

Extracurricular:

Automotive and Welding Club began after school today, supervised by Ken Robins and Nathan Stokes.

Valerie Carmichael and Yvonne Reardon will be starting an Interact Club with an Environmental Focus that will support a Recycling, Composting, and Growing Plan.

Athletics:

Swim Team: Carleton North's swim team has started back up again for the year with an increase in students participating. We are up to eight students participating for our school. The regional meet will be held in Saint John at the end of November.

Golf Team: Six students will be representing CNHS at golf regionals in Grand Falls on Friday.