



**DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL
BUSINESS MEETING JANUARY 19, 2021, 6:30 P.M.**

The meeting of the District Education Council, Anglophone East School District, was held at virtually due to Moncton being in the Orange COVID-19 19 Restriction Zone.

Present:

DOYLE, Harry
FOLKINS, Michelle
HEBBLETHWAITE, Ian
BREWER, Roberta
MACMULLIN, Roy
MAWHINNEY, Brenda
McCONNELL, Norval
SHORT, Sarah
KINGSTON, Denise, Council Secretary
INGERSOLL, Gregg, Superintendent

Regrets: LAWSON, Angela
LEGER, EMMA

The Regular Business meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chair Harry Doyle.

Chair Doyle welcomed ASD-E presenters participating virtually and the public and media viewing the meeting online. 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Roy MacMullin, seconded by Ian Hebblethwaite to approve the Agenda.

Motion carried.

No conflict of interest was declared.

3.0 DECLARATION OF
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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Moved by Roberta Brewer, seconded by Ian Hebblethwaite to approve the Minutes of November 17, 2020.

Motion carried.

4.0 APPROVAL OF
NOVEMBER 17, 2020
MINUTES

Moved by Michelle Folkins, seconded by Brenda Mawhinney to receive and accept the ASD-E report Card.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS
5.1 ASD-E REPORT
CARD

The ASD-E Report Card was received and reviewed by the DEC members prior to the meeting. Superintendent Ingersoll advised that this was the first presentation of the new ASD-E Report card which reports on and provides data for Policies 1.1 Numeracy, 1.2 Literacy, 1.3 Positive Learning and Working Environment and Mental Health and Policy 1.7 Science.

The Superintendent introduced Nancy Matthews, Director of Curriculum and Instruction and Krista Allen, Director of Education Support Services who in turn introduced their subject coordinators. The Directors and subject coordinators presented a power point which outlined the DEC and District Goals and covered topics such as personalization of learning, student indicators of learning, system priorities, Covid 19 Operational Plans, Distance Learning, responsive Positive Learning and Working Environment Plans, District Improvement Plan and the Annual Planning Cycle.

Chair Doyle then called the question.

Motion carried.

Moved by Ian Hebblethwaite, seconded by Sarah Short to receive and accept Monitoring Report 4.2 Budget/Financial Condition.

6.0 OLD BUSINESSNESS
6.1 MONITORING REPORT
4.2 BUDGET/FINANCIAL
CONDITION

Monitoring Report 4.2 Budget/Financial Condition was received and reviewed by the DEC members prior to the meeting.

Superintendent Ingersoll introduced Aubrey Kirkpatrick, Director of Finance and Administration. Mr. Kirkpatrick advised that Guy Richard, the Manager of Budget and Accounting would be retiring at the end of February and noted that Mr. Richard had been a stellar budget manager in his years with the District and would be missed.

Mr. Kirkpatrick gave a budget update as at December 31, 2020. He advised that the EECD supported the District's needs in providing resources to schools to keep them safe during COVID-19. To date \$957,786 had been spent on these COVID-19 resources. Mr. Kirkpatrick projected that the District would have a balanced budget as at March 31, 2021 after reimbursement of the Covid-19 expenses by EECD.

Chair Doyle called the question.

Motion carried.

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7.0 DEC MEMBER
UPDATES AS PER POLICY
2.8 COMMUNICATIONS

- Ian Hebblethwaite participated in a couple of PSSC meeting. The members are doing well meeting virtually. Member Hebblethwaite commented that in January 2020 the DEC had discussed moving District Office to the former Moncton High School and made a motion at that time to have staff investigate this possibility. He noted that since that time Covid-19 hit and the District's priorities have been implementing the ever-changing operational plans and protocols. Member Hebblethwaite then made the following motion:

Moved by Ian Hebblethwaite, seconded by Roy MacMullin that the district and province continue to pursue the option of moving the District office(s) to the former MHS building on Church street and if this cannot be accomplished before the lease(s) expire on St. George St and/or Mapleton that they be renewed, if possible, for just one year to allow the move to be pursued.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Roberta Brewer advised that there had been no PSSC meetings since the last DEC meeting. She has heard many concerns from parents of High School students that they did not believe that enough work was being sent home. She expressed the hope that High School Students would return to full time study soon but realized that under the Red Covid-19 recovery level it was not possible at this time. She feels many students are struggling and would benefit by being back in school every day.
- Michelle Folkins advised that she had reviewed the projects in the quadruple bottom line list and was concerned that the Sackville family of schools was so far down on the list, and in particular the rationalization of the Marshview/Salem schools despite a 409 study having been conducted in the spring of 2018. It was decided by consensus that a letter be sent to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding this.
- Roy MacMullin advised that he shared Roberta Brewer's concerns regarding High School students and noted that these were difficult times that hopefully would soon be over.
- Brenda Mawhinney attended three PSSC meetings online. Parents are coping well with this meeting format. Member Mawhinney expressed her appreciation for Principals, Administrators and staff on all their hard work during these times.
- Sarah Short has had some calls with BMHS PSSC members regarding their concerns that students are not in school full time and their challenges in communicating their concerns to EECD. They are very concerned with what implications will be for students post Covid.

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- Norval McConnell attended 3 PSSC meetings. School interactions with public health have been positive and productive; good decisions are made in a positive, timely and collaborative manner. Member McConnell recognized Moncton City Council for their motion to be asked to be involved in future school site selections; he noted that future DEC's will appreciate this too. He advised that the Superintendent has instituted a group to enhance safety protocols and policies to protect students from future incidents such as the two recent Riverview incidents. He praised staff who put so much time into schools and students and noted that we all need to work to make communities safer. Member McConnell also feels that High School students should be in class full time and hopefully this can be done some time in second semester.
- Harry Doyle welcomed Superintendent Ingersoll back and also congratulated Pamela Wilson on a job well done as Acting Superintendent in his absence. Chair Doyle noted that the Principal of Riverside Albert, Barry Snider, would be working with the Teachers' Federation and that Jeff Keirstead had been selected as Acting Principal in his absence. He noted that Mr. Keirstead is from that community and was a good choice. Chair Doyle also expressed that the DEC members are a good group to work with in tough times and work together well.

Superintendent Ingersoll thanked Pamela Wilson for taking on the role of Acting Superintendent in his absence. Regarding High School students being able to attend school full time, Superintendent Ingersoll advised that this possibility was discussed late in the fall but that it was dependent on what was happening in the Covid-19 Recovery Level after Christmas break. He noted that next week is Evidence of Learning Week in the High Schools (formerly Exam Week). Ongoing work is being done on blended learning to make sure students are connecting more on their days home. The Superintendent presented a power point on Covid-19 updates, Attendance, Capital Improvement Projects and updates to the District Website.

8.0 SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

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Correspondence was received by consent Agenda.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- 9.1 Reply to correspondence from HTHS PSSC
- 9.2 Reply to correspondence from Maplehurst Middle PSSC
- 9.3 Reply to correspondence from BMHS PSSC
- 9.4 Letter from Minister of Education in reply to BMHS PSSC concerns

Chair Doyle adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

The next Regular Business Meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Original signed by Harry Doyle

District Education Council Chair

Original signed by Denise Kingston

District Education Council Secretary