



**DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL
ANGLOPHONE EAST SCHOOL DISTRICT
1077 ST. GEORGE BOULEVARD, MONCTON, NEW BRUNSWICK
BUSINESS MEETING JANUARY 16, 2018**

The meeting of the District Education Council, Anglophone East School District, was held at 1077 St. George Blvd. on Tuesday, January 17, 2018. The following members were present:

Present:

DOYLE, Harry
FOLKINS, Michelle
LAWSON, Angela
HEBBLETHWAITE, Ian
BREWER, Roberta
MACMULLIN, Roy
MAWHINNEY, Brenda
McCONNELL, Norval
SEARS, HALEIGH
KINGSTON, Denise, Council Secretary
INGERSOLL, Gregg, Superintendent

Regrets: Sarah Short

Welcome

Chair Harry Doyle welcomed guests which included members of the public, media and district staff.

The Regular Business meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chair Doyle.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Norval McConnell, seconded by Michelle Folkins 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 Brenda Mawhinney to approve the Minutes of December 19, 2017.

Motion carried.

4.0 APPROVAL OF
DECEMBER 19, 2017
MINUTES

Brian Neilson of Sackville introduced himself and advised that he was a volunteer in many organizations in Sackville such as the Salem Elementary Home and School and the Tantramar Family Resource Centre. He enquired when the results of the Thought Exchange Survey conducted in the fall would be released as this information would be beneficial in developing working plans for his various committees. Angela Lawson advised that the DEC would be discussing the results of the survey in future PSSC meetings and Superintendent Ingersoll advised that there will be a link to the results posted on the district website later this week.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Superintendent Ingersoll introduced Pamela Wilson, Director of Schools for the Riverview Education Centre and Diane Gillis, Director of Schools for the Sackville Education Centre. The Directors of Schools delivered a power point presentation giving an overview of their role. The Directors of Schools are the first point of contact for administrators for guidance, advice and support. They are also a point of contact for parents. Their duties include ensuring policies are adhered to, visiting schools on start-up and throughout the year, school safety and crisis response, staffing, and leadership development. The Directors also work on implementing the District Education Plan such as monitoring teaching practices and inclusive practices, and working with Principals to improve community linkages. The Directors are also involved in Provincial Committees and initiatives.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS
PRESENTATION

Moved by Angela Lawson, seconded by Roberta Brewer to receive and accept Monitoring Report Limitations Policy 4.2 Budget/Financial Condition.

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

7.1 MONITORING REPORT
LIMITATIONS POLICY 4.2
BUDGET/FINANCIAL
PLANNING

Monitoring Report 4.2 Budge/Financial Condition was reviewed by the DEC members prior to the meeting. Superintendent Ingersoll introduced Aubrey Kirkpatrick, Director of Finance and Administration who reviewed the Monitoring Report and pointed out the change in how the scholarship information was reported. Chair Doyle called the question.

Motion carried

The meeting then proceeded to a discussion on the allocation of funds to districts. After discussion the following motion was passed:

Moved by Ian Hebblethwaite, seconded by Norval McConnell that the DEC write letters to the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Education requesting that funding move closer towards a per student formula for each school district in the Province.

Motion carried

Discussion turned to determining how the surplus DEC funds should be used. It was decided by consensus that funds should go towards the "DEC Big Crunch", the purchase of DEC brochures if the DEC Manager does not have surplus ones to provide and the purchase of a video camera for PSSC training purposes.

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Roberta Brewer reported on the results of the Policy 2.1 Council Process Survey. She noted that the areas of concern seem to be: 1. meeting agendas – time allotted and topics, 2. professional development opportunities and 3. communication with stakeholders. Member Brewer pointed out that items 1 and 3 were also areas discussed during the strategic planning session. They will be further developed at the January Working Meeting. The DEC Secretary was directed to research professional development opportunities with the various school board associations. The policy committee will look at the survey with a view to improving it.

7.2 POLICY 2.1 COUNCIL
PROCESS SURVEY

Moved by Roberta Brewer, seconded by Brenda Mawhinney that an improved survey will be administered on Policies 2.1 and 2.4 next January.

Motion carried

Superintendent Ingersoll gave a presentation on personalization of education linking the Education Act, Provincial Policy and the Ten Year Education Plan. Personalized learning tailors students learning based on their individual needs, strengths and interests and enables them to take ownership of their learning and involves the student, the school community, staff and the leadership.

8.0 SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

Norval McConnell advised that the STEM Expo will take place of March 23rd, 2018 at NBCC Moncton.

9.0 DEC MEMBER
UPDATES AS PER POLICY
2.8 COMMUNICATIONS

Angela Lawson advised that the speed limit signs are up at Magnetic Hill School.

Harry Doyle attended a PSSC meeting, teacher evaluations and assessments were discussed. He commented that the DEC needs to find ways to get the good news out to the media and should look into various mediums to achieve this.

Chair Doyle adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

The next Regular Business Meeting is scheduled for February 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Original signed by Harry Doyle

District Education Council Chair

Original signed by Denise Kingston

District Education Council Secretary

