



**DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL
ANGLOPHONE EAST SCHOOL DISTRICT
1077 ST. GEORGE BOULEVARD, MONCTON, NEW BRUNSWICK
BUSINESS MEETING March 19, 2019**

The meeting of the District Education Council, Anglophone East School District, was held at 1077 St. George Blvd. on Tuesday, March 19, 2019. The following were present:

Present: DOYLE, Harry
BREWER, Roberta
LAWSON, Angela
FOLKINS, Michelle
SHORT, Sarah
MacMULLIN, Roy
HEBBLETHWAITE, IAN
McCONNELL, NORVAL
BOURDREAU, Spencer
INGERSOLL, Gregg
KINGSTON, Denise

Regrets: MAWHINNEY, Brenda

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| The Regular Business meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Doyle. | 1.0 CALL TO ORDER |
| Chair Doyle requested that item 8.0 Superintendent Report become item 9.0 Member updates and item 9.0 Member updates become item 8.0. | 2.0 AGENDA APPROVAL |
| <i>Moved by Sarah Short, seconded by Michelle Folkins to approve the Agenda as amended.</i>
Motion carried. | |
| No conflict of interest was declared. | 3.0 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST |
| <i>Moved by Roberta Brewer seconded by Roy MacMullin to approve the Minutes of February 19, 2019.</i>
Motion carried. | 4.0 APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 19, 2019 MINUTES |

There were no public comments.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Belong, Principal of Moncton High School, introduced Craig Eagles, MHS Teacher, who gave a power point presentation on the Respect in Schools Program which was co-founded by Wayne McNeil and Sheldon Kennedy. Sheldon Kennedy presented the Respect in Schools Program at a NBTA Conference in 2015 and this program was piloted at MHS. The program is a 2.5 online course on bullying, abuse, harassment and neglect prevention for all school-based leaders. It provides the skills that are needed to respond to a person who discloses abuse. Mr. Eagles advised that there are still 1200 unused licenses of this program and recommended that it be passed down through the district for training.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 PRESENTATION:
RESPECT IN SCHOOLS
PROGRAM

Chair Doyle drew the members' attention to the letter received from the Minister of Education which was for the purpose of consulting the DEC's regarding concerns related to subdistrict boundaries or electoral zone configurations that may have arisen since the last DEC election. After discussion, it was agreed by consensus that the DEC respond to the letter by the April 12, 2019 deadline indicating that the subdistrict boundaries should remain as is for our district.

6.2 REVIEW OF SUB
DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

As there was sufficient time before the break, it was unanimously agreed that the meeting would Proceed to item 8.0 member updates:

- Harry Doyle commented that it has been a tough winter for PSSC meetings as many were cancelled due to storms. He pointed out the article in the Times & Transcript regarding positive use of cell phones in the classroom. He noted that a lot of good things were happening in the district.
- Sarah Short advised that she has been out of country and therefore had nothing to report. She thanked member Ian Hebblethwaite on his assistance with an issue at Shediac Cape School.
- Angela Lawson advised that things were underway for the new middle school. The students are enjoying the focus group and she is hearing very good comments on their interactions with Elizabeth Nowlan.
- Michelle Folkins attended four PSSC meetings and will be attending another one next week. She has had heard good comments from parents and teachers who are enjoying connecting with students through Fresh Grade. Marshview Middle School has received funding from the Sackville Hospital for mental health counselling for students and their families. Parents are happy with the Child and Youth Teams and ISD. She advised that Port Elgin is still fundraising for their new library.

8.0 DEC MEMBER
UPDATES AS PER
POLICY 2.8
COMMUNICATIONS

- Roberta Brewer received a letter from the PRHS PSSC with regards to the addition to trades. She requested the Superintendent to write a letter on the status of the addition and advise of what is happening. The JMA Armstrong/Salisbury Middle School PSSC finds it confusing that although there is one Principal and two Vice-Principals its is both a middle school and a high school and this is reflected in the school name. They are wondering it should become one school and change the name to reflect this. They are asking permission to look into this. Superintendent Ingersoll advised that the process would be the same as the naming of a new school. After discussion it was decided by consensus that go ahead with the renaming of the school and a committee should be formed for this purpose.
- Roy MacMullin advised that he had been researching drop out rates in the Province and he observed that the Francophone Districts have a lower drop out rate. He requested the Superintendent to investigate what the Francophone District may be doing differently and perhaps we could learn from this. Also, he requested that we look into where we are losing students from (ie. Are some of them new students from another district?).
- Spencer Boudreau advised that RHS had a very powerful presentation from MADD and noted that the realization of the consequences of drinking and driving hit many students hard. He also noted the preparations for the Dragon Boat races would be starting soon.
- Norval McConnell recognized and thanked the Great Canadian Bagel Company for their contribution to the school breakfast program. They have been giving bagels to school breakfast programs five days a week for the past ten years. Bessborough and Hillcrest Schools will be participating in the “We Water Walk” in support of safe supply of water for youth on May 30th. Edith Cavell School will be hosting a spaghetti night in partnership with the Moncton West and Riverview Rotary Club. Hillcrest and Bessborough School PSSC’s will be writing a letter to government to confirm what “delay” means in relation of the construction of the new school. Harrison Trimble High School is organizing a visit for interested DEC members to view the mid-life upgrades.
- Ian Hebblethwaite advised that he had two PSSC meetings, but both were postponed. There will be a meeting and Queen Elizabeth School next Tuesday regarding questions and concerns with regard to the Valhalla students. Member Hebblethwaite then made the following motions:

Moved by Ian Hebblethwaite, seconded by Norval McConnell that the DEC write to the Minister of Education, Minister of Finance and opposition Education Critic requesting immediate financial assistance for ESS across the Province.

Motion carried.

Criminal background checks were discussed at the in-camera meeting held immediately prior to the regular business meeting.

Moved by Ian Hebblethwaite, seconded by Roy MacMullin that the DEC write to the Minister of Education urging him to start the process to have all education staff that interact with students be required to get regular criminal background checks.

Motion carried

The meeting then adjourned for a break.

BREAK

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Michelle Folkins, seconded by Angela Lawson, to accept and receive Monitoring Report Ends Policy 1.2 Literacy.

7.1 MONITORING REPORT
ENDS POLICY
1.2 LITERACY

Monitoring Report Ends Policy 1.2 Literacy was received and reviewed prior to the meeting. Elizabeth Nowlan, Director of Curriculum and Instruction advised that report data was based on December data as reports cards are only out at the end of this month and suggested that timing of the Monitoring Reports should be adjusted so that the report contains the most up to date information when presented. She introduced the Literacy subject coordinators, Heather Wood (Literacy K-5), Charlene Vienneau (FSL 9-12), Janice Belliveau-Ingersoll (FSL 1-5) and Jason Burns (Middle and High School Literacy) who each gave an overview of work being done in their area. There was discussion regarding monitoring report data.

Chair Doyle then called the question

Motion carried.

Superintendent Ingersoll advised the DEC of the upcoming RHS United First Nations Youth Summit, the STEMEAST Expo at NBCC and the Grade 12 student art on display at Moncton City Hall during the month of March. The Superintendent presented a report on Violent Threat Risk Assessment protocols and the new ESS Connects system which will be part of the Professional Learning day on March 22nd.

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

Correspondence was received by consent Agenda.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Letter from Minister of Education regarding subdistrict boundaries
- 10.2 Letter from Riverview East School PSSC regarding overcrowding
- 10.3 Letter from Petitcodiac Reginal School PSSC regarding Phase 2 of shop upgrade

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

The next Regular Business Meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Original signed by Harry Doyle

District Education Council Chair

Original signed by Denise Kingston

District Education Council
Secretary