

#### AGENDA

ASD-E DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL
February 21, 2023 - 6:30 PM
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#### 6:30 PM

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Land Acknowledgement

ANGLOPHONE EAST SCHOOL DISTRICT WOULD LIKE TO RESPECTFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE UNCEDED, TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE MI'KMAQ PEOPLE. IN THE SPIRIT OF PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP, WE EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR THE HISTORY, CULTURE, RIGHTS AND TRADITIONS OF MI'KMAQ PEOPLE AND COMMIT TO RECONCILIATION THROUGH EDUCATION AND HONOURING THOSE THAT WERE HERE BEFORE US.

#### PRESENT:

DOYLE, HARRY, CHAIR
HEBBLETHWAITE, IAN, VICE-CHAIR
FOLKINS, MICHELLE
MACDONALD, DUANE
KNOCKWOOD, JOLYNE
VAUTOUR, DOMINIC
OWEN, MARK
CAVOUKIAN, KRISTIN
RASUL, AREEB
MACLEAN, RANDOLPH J., SUPERINTENDENT/CEO
CHIASSON, JANIQUE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT/CEO
AND DEC SECRETARY

REGRETS: PLETZ, RACHEL MORTON, ALEX

**3.** Agenda Approval

Chair, Harry Doyle, called for approval of the February 21, 2023 Agenda.

Moved by, Michelle Folkins, seconded by DEC Member, Kristin Cavoukian, to approve the agenda.

Motion Carried.

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflict of interest was declared.

**5.** Approval January 17, 2023

The Chair called for the approval of the Minutes of January 17, 2023

Moved by DEC member, Dominic Vautour, seconded by DEC Member, Duane MacDonald, to approve the minutes of January 17, 2022

#### Motion carried.

5.1 Salisbury Regional School Parking Lot

Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, confirms that funding has come through and looking forward to the reconfiguration of the parking lot. Many thanks to the student for their passion, ingenuity, humor and for their work. Also, thank you to the PSSC, administration and all involved in the work and advocacy for the school. Congratulation for everyone's work.

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- 6. Superintendent/CEO Report Randolph J. MacLEAN
  - **6.1** Boundary and grade configuration recommendations

Talked about all the needs and stresses that the growth is creating on the system and in classrooms and the work that is being done to collect date and moving forward to have a meeting in March with the principals and PSSC to walk them through what the changes could look like, in addition to having consultations in April.

We had 2 000 extra students this year, and next year and the following years, we expect more students.

District staff has been great at accommodating in terms of spaces and transportation. But the impact is real, and we will be heading into a consultative process to look at the possibilities and opportunities.



## 6.2 French Language Framework

#### 6.2.1 Letter to Minister – PSSC

Superintendent / CEO thanks the DEC members for allowing the parents to have a voice and, to DEC members who shared their thoughts and voiced their opinions.

# **6.2.2** Message from EECD

Spoke briefly about the message from EECD.

**6.2.3** Message to the families of Anglophone East School District

Spoke briefly about the message sent to ASD-E families and gave thanks to the principals for their support in the matter.

# **6.3** Shediac Cape location discussion

Thanks Dominic Vautour, DEC member, for his leadership and the DEC members for their dedications and working with the community and the school.

Dominic Vautour, DEC member, spoke about the possibilities of potential sites and will keep working until the solution can be provided to the department.

# 6.4 Enrolment update

As of today, 18 378 students are enrolled in our district. These are the enrollment numbers and split between English prime, Early French Immersion and FI.

**6.5** Staffing - new coordinators & administrative postings

Part of growth is about welcoming new Canadians. We now have a new coordinator of English as an additional language, and this creates a new opening at Hillcrest school.

## **6.6** Professional development

**6.6.1** uLead (7 participants) – Conference for principals

Spoke briefly about the opportunities the conference will provide.



6.6.2 CAP / Canadian Association of Principal's Annual Conference (20 participants)

Good opportunities are coming, and we will be sending our leaders to support principals.

### **6.7** Early Learning

Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, explained what Early Learning is, and that with the signing of the New Brunswick / Canada agreement and the federal government commitment to providing low-cost childcare and providing opportunities for childcare in licensed spaces, the department of education. Identification in our area, Moncton, Dieppe and surrounding for childcare space. Two parts of the equation - Non profit and profit space and the department are going to RRFP. Our director of schools elementary early learning will be working with Clare to provide help. We have over 170 child providers services or centers, on our territory, and continuing to grow. And it has become a collaborative effort.

## 7. Health break

### **8.** Information items

### **8.1** High School renewal letter

Grade 8 parents and high school parents have been invited to a session to help them show what the new system will look like.

### **8.2** Teacher & Staff appreciation

Thanked the DEC for their support for inviting them to show appreciation.

#### **8.3** Coldest night of the year

A brief description of the event and the shown interest by some of the district's schools was mentioned. It's an opportunity to give back and make the world a better place for our communities. It's a legacy peace, but also an important recognition.



### 9. Director of Human Resources – Jacqui Eadle

# **9.1** Recruiting – Oral update

Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, on behalf of Jacqui Eadle, gave a brief overview of the changes happening with unfilled absences, which is in declined since Christmas, on a daily basis and thanks the substitute teachers, our staff and casual staff.

# **9.2** ERP/Oracle Fusion – Oral update

Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, on behalf of Jacqui Eadle, gave a brief overview of the coming changes and the new program and mentioned that we are part of the test case, and we are experiencing some delays. As of today, we are looking at implementation in September. Looking forward to reducing and moving away from the paper system and the redundancy.

## **10.** Director of Finance and Administration – Aubrey Kirkpatrick

#### **10.1** For update - Cold weather issues

Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, on behalf of Aubrey Kirkpatrick, talked about the reasons why we had to close schools, due to frozen and broken pipes. We also experience issues with power outages. But the schools were quickly open again and thanks the facilities team for their great work, in addition to the custodians.

After a brief conversation about water alert system, brought forth by Dominic Vautour, Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, mentioned that he will be looking at the possibilities.

Following the chair's question about the district's financial state, Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, confirms that we are very healthy financially.

At the end of the brief portion of the finance report, Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, talked about the book, Answering the Calls: Children's Book on the 94 Calls to action. He mentioned that they been purchased for every school library, every office, the Professional Library, the Senior Admin Team and the DEC. Illustrated by kids. It is part of our District's commitment to Reconciliation. Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, also thanked Janique Chiasson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent / CEO for researching and finding the book and mentioned that he presented the book to the Chief of Fort Folly.

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### **11.** Member Updates

Jolyne Knockwood – No update to share.

Ian Hebblethwaite – Spoke about a PSSC meeting at Queen Elizabeth and earlier today and of his participation to the Council for DEC chairs, meeting with the minister. Heard great things around student mental health.

# First motion of the evening

Vice-Chair, Ian Hebblethwaite, moves that Anglophone East School District begin the process to consolidate district office services in one location that allows for the relocation of supplementary non-teaching support services from areas that could be returned to classroom learning spaces for students. DEC member, Dominic Vautour, seconds the motion.

#### **Motion carried**

No discussion or questions followed. All in favor.

# Second motion of the evening

Vice-Chair, Ian Hebblethwaite, moves that Anglophone East School District retains control of Bessborough School and Hillcrest School, with grade configurations, as determined by the school district upon the opening of the new school located on the Bernice MacNaughton High School campus. DEC member, Duane MacDonald, seconds the motion.

**Motion carried** 

No discussion or questions followed. All in favor.



Michelle Folkins – No update for PSSCs. Mentioned the motion put forth with the previous DEC about Meeting with the MLA - Would like to bring this possibility back to practice. On her behalf, Superintendent / CEO, Randolph J. MacLEAN, confirms that we will be looking into the possibility, and for all the MLA of the area and of both parties.

Duane MacDonald – Consultations with PSSC, West Riverview, could not meet with them as their meeting is the same night as the DEC. Claude Taylor and Frank I bowser. Disc golf course is the most used or popular east of Montreal and s in the grater Moncton and Dieppe. Riverview Middle and Riverview Middle, meetings coming up.

Frank L. Bowser – They have a 3D printer making items and using as an educational tool tasking student to design different thing at different levels. By the fall, all staff at Frank L. Bowser, will be fully trained in non-violent training NBCF.

Dominic Vautour – Spoke about Shediac Cape, the PSSC meeting and about the new school. Received suggestion and exclusion from the committee, where they want it and where they do not want it. Also talked with the principal and a consultation with her staff's and brought back their recommendation. Also talked with the mayor and some staff of Shediac. And finally had a great visit with the Superintendent / CEO at Mountainview School.

*Kristin Cavoukian* – Expressed her gratitude and pride towards the PSSCs for all their efforts and work demonstrated towards the French Immersion consultation processes and their feedback, research, and writing.

At Edith Cavell, the DEC member expressed that she is very pleased that all teaching positions are filled. And finally. she talked about lots of new development happening and concerning literacy lead and a new behavior lead. Also, doing a lot of social emotional learning type interventions and programs, and gave a few examples of the different programs involved.

Mentioned the free tickets that the Wild Cats gave and were at the assembly to take picture with the students.

Areeb Rasul – Spoke about the new school schedule, the later start time, and the benefits of the new schedule. He also mentioned that the teachers are also appreciating. This change provides extra help time in the morning for collaborative time for teachers.

Brought to the attention of all the My Blueprint and that digital options are coming. This tool will be making sure everyone knows what they will need for post-secondary education.

February is a great month for celebration of diversity – Mathew Martin gave a good presentation about systemic racism. Spoke about the different schools and their different initiatives.

Events at BMHS – Vocal ensemble delivered signing telegrams for valentine day.

Harry Doyle – Wants to thank Dominic Vautour and Mark Owen for filling in when he couldn't. And mentioned that he is very happy with the meeting that was held with the Minister. A special mention about the French Immersion issue being buried, happy it is behind us. Talked about a situation in one of our schools and the outcome was very positive.

It was mentioned during this part of the meeting that Harry received an award for his years in politics. He received the Queens Jubilee metal and mentioned he enjoyed the meeting he attended today with the department of education.

He expressed his thoughts about the little problems with the PSSCs. He would like to see people participating.

Harry also informed that group that the DEC is 2 members less. Before moving forwards, Harry wants to see where the DECs are going. But we need to have representation and asked the DEC members if they would not mind waiting a little before recruiting. They were all in agreement to share the schools amongst them until the next the new year.

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#### **12.** End of Meeting

8:06 pm, Ian Hebbletwait - Motion to adjourn made by Ian Hebblethwaite, and seconded by Duane MacDonald.

Original signed by Harry Doyle

Harry Doyle, Chair

Original signed by Janique Chiasson

Janique Chiasson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent / CEO