

Arnold H. McLeod School PSSC Meeting

Monday, April 28th, 2025 – 6:30 PM

Attendance: Sheila Johnston, Joanna Jefferies, Chantal Lirette, Susie Warren Vautour, Dominick Vautour, Byron Rayne, Tricia Smith, Becky Toogood, Jamee Densmore, Lydia Hawkins, Marisa Jeffrey, Lisa Bryenton

Next Meeting: May 26, 2025, 6:30pm

6:33 - adoption of minutes

- Welcome & Adoption of Minutes
- Old Business
- Proposed Calendar for 2025-2026
 - Questions about updating the minutes with Byron and Heather's input for calendar meeting
 - All PSSC's across ASDE did approve the proposed calendar (Mar 30)
 - Waiting on next steps from Fredericton
- School Improvement Plan Updates from our SPRs
 - Literacy – Joanna Jefferies
 - Literacy SIP goal
 - All teachers will perform and support targeted interventions which will increase our students who are successful on the reading strand on report cards and grade 4 and 5 provincial assessments
 - Focus is on students who are below target
 - Data analysis
 - Grades 3-5, English Prime
 - Compared data on reading skills for students after working with academic support teacher in small group, improvement seen in all areas
 - Kindergarten
 - Kindergarten teachers work with groups of students on specific literacy skills while other students work independently, improvement seen in all areas
 - Grade 1 French immersion
 - Students focusing on sight words, improvement seen by all students
 - Academic support teacher works with English Prime students only, so French immersion lead from district office is working with FI students who are still needing help in literacy skills despite the targeted interventions by FI teachers.

- Mathematics – Chantal Lirette
 - Math SIP goal
 - Teachers will use math approaches like number talks and open-ended questions, to increase % of students successful on the number strand on report cards and grade 4 and 5 provincial assessments
 - There is a new math curriculum being piloted next year
 - We're hoping that we'll be part of the pilot group
 - Data analysis
 - There isn't a data to show for math as the school recently made the switch from Math Flex
 - There is a new district benchmark assessment for Grades 3-5 twice a year and check ups in k-2
 - This data will help to guide SIP goals
 - Plans to compare term 1 to term 3 since removal of math flex
 - High thinking tasks
 - Tasks have multiple answers with lots of different strategies
 - Emphasis on changing up grouping and taking turns in roles (recorder)
 - Resources
 - Teachers have been given a new math textbook and will be doing a book study on it
 - youcube.org videos for students
 - Every student has a math toolkit binder with manipulatives
 - Questions about our PSSC budget
 - Could we buy books for teachers?
 - Joanna mentioned investing in tools to help with SIP goals
- Enrollment/Staffing for 2025-2026
 - Currently sitting at 412 students
 - Possibility of having one more homeroom, up to 21 homeroom classrooms
 - Currently space is an issue
 - This year we added 2 classroom portables and 1 portable bathroom
 - The space that could be utilized as a classroom is being shared by ELA, cultural hub, learning interventions
 - Sheila will talk to community coordinator to get info on population growth
 - Dominick has additional info with population growth grid
- Other School Updates
- From the Floor

7:19pm - meeting adjourned