Harvey Elementary School 1908 Route 3, Harvey Station, NB E6K 2P4 Parent School Support Committee Minutes

Date: Jan. 27, 2025 Time: 7:00pm

Location: Teams

PSSC Members Present:
Lara Chessie - Chair

School/DEC Representation Present:
Julie Holt - Principal

Amanda Quackenbush - Teacher Rep. Melissa Little – Vice Principal

Parents:

Melissa Hickey Erika Violette

School/DEC Representation Regrets:

Serena Bradford - DEC

PSSC Members Regrets: Shawn Little - Vice Chair

Sarah Kantor

Call to Order:

Approval of the Agenda: Amanda and Erika

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- 1. Subsidized lunch program update #2
 - a. Julie met with Karrie Bedford (Community Schools Operations) and Melanie Gullison (Chartwells) about expanding the subsidized lunch program to 2 days. The details are being worked out (menu, containers, etc.). More details to follow.

New Business:

- 1. PBIS (Positive Behavioural Interventions & Supports) updates
 - a. The funds requested were approved and are now being spent. A new camera and tripod were ordered for the filming of the Behaviour Matrix Expectations videos. Kahli Braes will be looking after the filming and editing, and selected students will be performing in the videos which will be used in classroom. There will also be accompanying lesson plans.
 - b. HES has a new mascot "Honey" the Harvey Hero Bee. The name was chose through a vote at the end of the last school year, and each classroom will be receiving its own classroom mascot (stuffed bee).
 - c. Kahli Braes has been working on classroom t-shirts with the Harvey Heroes logo which will be worn for school assemblies, class trips, school evets, etc. The t-shirts will not go home.

- d. Additional signage with our school-wide expectations will be ordered and placed in the halls and on the playgrounds as a reference for students and staff. (later in the spring)
- 2. School Improvement Plan updates
 - a. Teachers have been looking at Adrienne Gears "3-Step Writing" process as part of our Literacy Writing goal. All students will be working on a writing piece during the week of February 10th. This process will be done again in May so results can be compared so see if students' writing abilities have developed further.
- 3. Family Literacy Week January 27th, 2025
 - a. Mystery Readers were invited into classrooms to read a book of their choice. Parents, grandparents, siblings and former teachers visited classes and were welcomed by the students and staff.
- 4. Winter Wellness Day February 7th/25
 - a. Ian Smith and Marcia Fletcher came to Harvey Elementary as part of Winter Wellness Weekend. Ian led a variety of outdoor games for the students and each session ended with the children snowshoeing. We are always appreciative of our community support.
- 5. Staff Appreciation Week February 10th-14th
 - a. The HES Home & School plans a variety of snacks and fun activities each day for the staff.
- 6. Canada Flag 60th Birthday Celebration Friday, February 14th
 - a. Judy McNally, a member of the Harvey Heritage Association, contacted Julie about having an assembly to celebrate the $60^{\rm th}$ anniversary of the Canadian Flag. There will be a colouring contest, small flags for each student, guest speakers and cupcakes for everyone.
- 7. PSSC Funds need to be spent by end of February
 - a. Julie will get a list from the PE teachers as to what else they could use. She will also check on additional supplies teachers need of there are funds left over.
- 8. French Immersion Registration
 - a. Opened on January 17th. Numbers will not be known until later in the spring.
- 9. Other

Correspondence:

Closing Comments:

Date of Next Meeting: February 24th, 2025 – 7pm

Adjournment: