PSSC Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2015

Present: Zoella Vienneau, Gill Wallace, Kathy Williston, Jonathan Guimond, Christine MacKenzie

Absent: Kelley MacDonald

1. Signing of Declaration
2. PSSC Budget:

$362.65 remaining; spent $137.35 (on school connects)

* Proposal: New iPad Air to be used to record morning announcements and other academic endeavors.
* Motioned by Jonathon Guimond and 2nd by Gill Wallace. All in favor.
1. School Improvement Plan:
* Discussed results of the 2013-2014 School Improvement Plan (areas of growth and areas that will continue to be improved upon). Zoella discussed that the new SIP is currently being worked and will be shared the next meeting.
* Jonathan asked how many of the classes that fell below the desired outcome were combined classes and whether this could be a factor of lower results?
* Discussion about strategies to improve areas of literacy (ELF program is being offered, high interest, low level text targeted towards boys, more use of text to speech devices, etc).
1. School Review:
* Zoella shared that our School is being reviewed from May 19-20th,2015. Not evaluation – collaborative process to promote growth within the school.
* Indicators – we need to review each one. Collaboratively rate with an internal team.
* During the review, external reviewers will hold a Teacher Forum; Student Forum, Parent Forum discussing school operation.
* They will meet with students during day, parents in the evening, and staff after school. A report will be provided to the school with strengths and areas for improvement. They will revisit us the next year to see how we are doing.
* Review is done every three years.
* Zoella provided the PSSC with review information on items that part of the school review process.
1. Other Business:
* Any Library money to reorganize the library so that students can use this facility. Zoella reported that she will once again request to have our Admin. Assistant trained to help out in the library.
* We did discuss geting cards for library books and calling this space a “Book Room” Resource Room as a potential solution to the library problem. Zoella will have to check if this would still be a grievable issue.
* Would love to still work towards a “Learning Commons” – more technology involved…ipods, docking stations, etc., however there are no funds available at this time to complete such a project.
* Zoella and Neil Wallace (parent volunteer) are working to “kick-off” the Star Troopers again.
1. Future Meeting Dates
* March 19th, 2015 @6pm
* April 23rd, 2015 @6pm
* June 4th, 2015 @6pm
1. Meeting adjourned by Jonathan at 7:20pm.