A close-up of a logo

Description automatically generated **Summerhill Street Elementary School**

**Parent School Support Committee**

**Minutes**

**Date**: April 30, 2024 **Time**: 6:30 P.M.

**Location**: Summerhill Conference Room

**In Attendance:**

Erin Dyker

Thomas Geburt

Kari Hall

Shauna Nowlan

Sarah Purcell

Shelley Gaillard

Emily Noble

Shannon Atherton

Sheila Morgan

**Regrets:**

Melissa Hawthorne

**Call to Order:**

Meeting called to order at 6:33 P.M.

**Welcome:**

Welcome and thank you for coming

**Approval of the Agenda**

**Agenda approved by Sarah Purcell**

**Agenda seconded** **by Shelley Gaillard**

**Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting (Feb. 27, 2024)**

**Minutes approved by Kari Hall**

**Minutes seconded** **by Emily Noble**

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

No business or issues from the Minutes

**New Business:**

1. **Follow up on the PSSC presentation from March 16th**

Erin presented on behalf of the seven PSSC’s and five schools voted for model 3 which would be three K-8 schools and two schools voted for the model with two K-5 schools and one large middle school. Erin’s presentation represented all 7 of the PSSC’s. The day was a success, and the presentation was thorough and well researched. On March 23rd the DEC had further meetings with the 2 middle schools. They were in favor of the 3 K-8 schools. The DEC has visited 7 schools and they have had a meeting to discuss the scenarios.

On May 9th at 7:00 at OHS the DEC will have motions and discussions and forward their final recommendations. This is a DEC public meeting with an agenda and there are no questions until the end of the meeting. The minutes will be available online if PSSC members would like to review.

1. **Follow up on the Action Plan for Implementing the Long-term recommendations for NB’s Anglophone Education System**

At the last meeting we filled out a questionnaire and the action plan has been released. The recommendations are the result of the steering committee that was assembled last June. Ardith Shirley and Tiffany Bastin worked on compiling the recommendations. The action items will occur over time and there are plans and actions for implementing the long-term recommendations. You will find the Action plan on the EECD website under press release section. Short term recommendations came out in July of last year –and the actions for academic support teachers and more behavior intervention mentors have been put in place. The action plan will take time to fully implement up to 4-5 years, some will be completed within a 2-year period. The plan is a basic summary and actions have been prioritized over time (attendance).

1. **Change in school hours**

The changes in school hours have been released and there are different concerns among families about childcare and bussing. Some schools are shifting back an hour and this is creating difficult logistics for families and there are a lot of moving pieces for families. The Superintendent will be meeting with the 9 schools in the Oromocto area (Middle and High schools). Summerhill hours have not been changed drastically for next year we will have a 5-minute earlier start (8:20) and students leave 15 minutes earlier at 3:00.

**Communication:**

* **New PSSC Spending Guidance for ASD – West**

New PSSC spending guidance – the funding formula has changed and there are new guidelines on how we can spend the money.

The rural/small schools will be getting more money ($750 per school) and the money has to be spent by March 31st.

The funding formula has changed and Summerhill as a medium school, our school will get $1000 to spend next year.

* **Email to Chairs regarding Long-Term recommendations.**

The office of the Superintendent sent a thank you email to each PSSC chair thanking members for their contributions with the long-term recommendations.

**School Improvement Update**

Passion projects were a great success and these projects coincide with our School Improvement Plan of promoting calm, safe, happy and sense of belonging. The Passion Projects will continue next year. On Thursday, we will be having Positive Vibe Day to celebrate our success and have an assembly.

Our incidents of behavior have decreased in April and this is part of the focus for the SIP. The whole school is working toward the common goal of self-improvement.

**Closing Comments:**

**Date of Next Meeting and Potential Agenda Items:**

May 28th. 2024

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

**Moved by Kari Hall**

**Next Meeting May 28th, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.**