

FAIRVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PSSC MINUTES

**DATE:**

11/27/2025

TIME:

7:00PM

LOCATION:

School Conference Room

IN ATTENDANCE

Jessica Carson, Katie Coyle, Stephanie Curtis, Brad Dyer, Ryan LeBlanc, Janis Rodger, Allison Savoy, Amber Smith, Anita Theriault, Jon Barry, Kate-Lynn Holmes

REGRETS

Vanessa MacMullin Ferris

DEC (DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL) UPDATES

- Updates from Jon, our DEC member.
- Not a lot of news from the DEC. The consensus from the DEC is that the feedback is positive.
- He posed a question about feedback from the Pilot PL. Bonnie shared that the pilot is going well but it does involve a lot of work on her end. The consensus from staff is that it is the best targeted PL that they have received. Collaboration between professionals and paraprofessionals is one of the highlights.
- Jon showed that assessment results from around the province are low, as a province we need to do better. The New Education Plan has rolled out.
- One parent who is also a teacher in ASD-S shared that teacher practices are improving but the state of inclusion is the elephant in the room and the lack of support for teachers.
- One member shared the disruption to their family "flow" with the four-day weeks. He also shared that they have taken personal days to watch their children. He worries that the concerned parent is not being heard. He shared that the roll out was calculated and parents did not enjoy receiving the message on the last day of school at 2:30pm.
- Another parent shared concerns that the calendar pilot days disrupt his children's sense of routine and structure. Their family no longer appreciates the weekend, and their routines have been affected. He shared his support of our school and the intentionality of the administration. He is unsure of how the province will measure growth in student achievement.

- Another parent shared her support for the pilot and is looking forward to the results in student achievement for our students.
- Jon will bring the parent concern to the DEC.
- A parent shared that their children no longer like school on Fridays and it's a bit of an argument.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- Quick Recap of our SIP Day and updates to our plan
- Ends Policy #3: Strengthening PBIS (Positive Behaviour Intervention Supports)
- We used to have 4 goals, and we spent a PL day discussing our goals. As a staff we determined that our goal-on-goal setting has been incorporated into our other goals.
- We have expanded on our evidence-based practices and have extended it to reading, writing, and numeracy. The goal is now around curriculum.
- We formalized a PBIS goal and made goals around making decisions using school data, involving families in our PBIS, and improving consistency.
- Bonnie includes PBIS information in her weekly communication, information on PBIS will be included in the parent handbook, monthly assemblies take place to celebrate students who are best in the nest, kudos tickets are filled out for students who show that they are following matrix behaviour, a monthly draw will be done for teachers who submit kudos and they will receive a \$50 scholastic gift card.
- We are onboarding new staff by creating a document that informs them of step-by-step instructions on how to teach the expectations to their class. Also, information on PBIS is in the Teacher Handbook.
- Consistency is key with PBIS, we are working to ensure that all staff are informed and onboard with our expectations.

CALENDAR PILOT UPDATE

Share plan for Dec. 12th- PBIS Year 2: Deepening Practice & Engagement

- We are introducing a few new tools to ensure consistency.
- A Microsoft forms app is being developed to collect data on students who are repeatedly showing that they need to be taught the skills that will allow them to be successful on the playground.

DATA REVIEW

- Student Wellness & Education Survey (2024-2025)-Gr. 4-5 students
- Student Attendance
- We only have 2 students who have missed more than 10 days of school. This is not a child's issue in elementary school. We never question a student on their attendance.
- We have 26 students with 5 days missed or more. Most of those students have missed just 5 days.
- In terms of tardiness, we have 18 students who have been tardy. Students are not marked tardy until 8:10.
- Overall attendance is not a concern like it has been at other schools.
- At 5 days a communication is made by the classroom teacher. At 10 days a letter from the office is sent home, at 15 days a meeting with Admin. is set up to discuss ways we can support the family.

- Student Wellness Survey's have been completed. We had 1 student who's parents asked that they be omitted from the survey.
- Our school consistently scores higher than schools in our district and in the anglophone district.
- Results from the survey were shared and, on all questions, we scored higher than the province and district.
- Physical attacks and verbal attacks were higher than the district and province.
- 39% of students felt they had mean comments made toward them about their race, religion, or physical features.
- 86.5% of students said they were bullied out at lunch break. We have 3 teachers, 21 EA's, 3 student teachers, and a BIM our during this time.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

- Quick Update
- Our numbers are rising weekly.
- More students eat toast than cereal.
- On cold days more students come in.
- It is open to everyone and there is no limit to what our school can order each order.
- Next year, the federal government is going to implement a free lunch program.
- The DEC had variable feedback on the breakfast programs. There was no consensus.

PSSC BUDGET

- Plan for using funds
- Communication is the topic.
- FES Monthly Family Calander/Parent Handbook Combo- Katie Coyle will head this initiative.

DECEMBER DATES

- Share upcoming events
- Parent Teacher- Dec. 4th-5th
- KV Food Basket- Dec 5th
- Holiday Workshop- Dec 9-11th
- Holiday Concert- Dec. 14th-15th
- Holiday Dinner- Dec 17th
- Holiday Lip Sync- Dec. 19th

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

- For 2026-2027 and transition plans
- Our enrollment for this year is higher this year than it was last year.
- Our Current classes all have 19 students in them.

ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

Next meeting-Jan. 15th @ 7pm virtually