



**Maplehurst Middle School
PSSC Meeting
Minutes of a meeting held November 30, 2022**

Present:

Carmen Fabiani, Peggy Flett, Mandi Lawson, Andrea Boudreau, Christa Osmond, Susan Dunfield, Katherine Drover, Jocelyn Keech, Kezia Williamson, Mandi Lawson, Stacey LeBreton, Jamie Teed, Christina Robichaud (departed meeting early at 7 pm)

Principal – Elizabeth Nowlan,
VP – Bryan Ouellette
VP – Sandra Savard
Sarah Johnson – teacher representative
Mark Owen – District Education Council (DEC) representative

Absent:

Michelle Lord, ??

- Approval of minutes from last month – they were never sent out, so we will approve them at the next meeting

Principal's summary:

- Drop off and pick up: still very unsafe, cars are not following the rules (especially the speed limit). Police have been coming and are very prepared to give out a ticket. Not sure of a solution. It seems to be that the most dangerous part is the driveway, driving too fast, asking students to cross in a place that isn't safe. The drop off loop is working well
- Social media: there have been some cases of inappropriate texting "sexting". A grade 8 parent brought the issue to the school. There is a police officer who will be coming to talk to each grade level. Presentation will be December 14th. The school will send a note home to families to make everyone aware.
- Internet safety message that was sent home to all families in Anglophone east. There was a supply teacher in the building and they are no longer on the supply list because of inappropriate incidents

Staffing:

- One more teacher hired and 0.4 needs to be back filled. More guidance time was given as well
- 6.4 resource: English, math, and French are getting support in small groups every day
- Unfilled positions are increasing: 8 on Monday, 7 Tuesday, 1 Wednesday

- Student absenteeism: must report to public health when more than 10% are out. This has been reported 3 times this week
- Impact has started: goes for 5 weeks and then the groups are rotated
- Advisory: their homeroom teacher is their advisor. Last lesson was on microaggressions. Some students go to guidance, some start the morning together having breakfast for a reset
- The school has purchased 6 TVs: all activities, announcements, etc. are on a loop there
- Noon hour routine: newcomers aren't eager to be outside, but there are options every lunch. One grade always has inside and outside options on any given day

December events:

- Volleyball season is underway – the huskies are doing great!
- Report cards December 1
- No school December 2 and 9
- Holiday food drive
- Parent teacher interviews on December 8 and 9
- RCMP presentation: December 14
- Semi formal dance: December 15 – might be grade 7 and 8 only due to the volume of students
- Holiday concert: December 16 in the evening
- Francophone music concert: December 19 during school hours
- December 20: missed that one!
- December 21: Magician
- December 23: assembly (half day)

Home and School

- AED bought
- They have booked Mark Black for January
- Dr. Sophie Gautreau – psychologist: evening session for parents

School Improvement Planning

- Collective goals as a district instead of each school having their own
- Handouts given – report card data
- Students are doing perception surveys right now
- Staff will do their surveys on December 2
- This data allowed the admin to come up with action items to support. Things like the WIN block for grade 6 and the extra FTE to support French, English and Math
- Attendance data from last year may be skewed because of covid

LLO update (now called Evolving French Language Learning Initiative)

- French classes are split into 3 groups based on data. 2 times per week these small groups are happening

- Grade 8 students wrote letters to adults in French
- Guests from the province arrived to visit last week. Spoke to staff and students (Ernst and Young). Great conversations were had
- NBTA visited – Connie Keating visited classes. Joined in on coaching call (that happens every week)
- Administrators consultation session for admin