

JMA Armstrong High School/ Salisbury Middle School

PSSC Minutes

October 18th, 2017

Members Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	William Robinson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Angela Cameron	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Hansen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jason Gallant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Meredith Kidney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Roberta Brewer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Juliet Jones-Vienneau	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mindy Melanson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Haleigh Sears
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Angela Thornton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Craig Pierre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Renée Poitras
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracy Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Theresa Gogan		

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by Jason Gallant.
 - a. Introductions of new and returning members were made.
 - b. Quorum was established.
2. New Business:
 - a. Declarations Forms of new and second term members were signed.
 - b. PSSC Training will be held on October 26th at Riverview Middle School. Different sessions will be offered by district staff.
3. Review of minutes from May 24th meeting
 - a. The minutes were reviewed and accepted. Motion to approve by Meredith Kidney, seconded by Mindy Melanson.
 - b. Due to the success of the Parent Information Night last May, we plan on having another one this school year.
 - c. Engaging parents during meetings: What makes our PSSC work well?
 - i. Presentation of information is always followed by a discussion.
 - ii. Parents feel like their advice is accepted and considered. They feel involved.
 - iii. Important to understand the role of PSSC members and their purpose.

- d. New school discussion for Salisbury – Realignment of grades (K-5): Salisbury Middle school would become a grades 6-8 school.
 - e. Teacher collaborative teams: High school teachers meet in teams which include teachers of different subject matter. This enables teachers to discuss valuable strategies, methods, and learning/teaching styles that are applicable in every course.
 - f. JMA Armstrong High and Salisbury Middle – Research, Pilot and special opportunities:
 - i. Research project Grade 6: Technology based research study. If we give students the tools they need to be more autonomous in their learning, will their sense of discovery and their desire to learn improve?
 - ii. My Device My Learning – Bring your own Device: Wi-fi will soon be available to all students in the school.
 - iii. Essential Skills Achievement Pathways Pilot – Nine essential skills: Focus on developing skills for trades based jobs.
 - g. Overview of Emergency Procedures – Keeping Our Schools Safe document
4. Principal’s Report: Mr. Robinson provided a handout of his report.
 5. DEC report:
 - a. A public meeting will be held on October 23rd to inform parents on the possibility of a new elementary school.
 - b. Thought exchange: a new organized system to collect and analyze data.
 6. Next meeting: December 6th, 2017
 7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm by Jason Gallant. Motion to adjourn by Juliet Jones-Vienneau, seconded by Mindy Melanson.