

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-Up
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.	
Roll Call / Welcome / Opening	<p><b>Present:</b> N. Van Breda, S. Norlock, P.J. Brunton, T. Flynn, K. Tella, D. Armstrong-Ross, L. Burry, T. Berube, S. Smith, P.J. Brunton</p> <p><b>Regrets:</b> P. Williams, C. Shocholotuk, T. Rundle, L. Mayer, S. Aubin</p> <p><b>Guests:</b></p> <p><b>Recorder:</b> J. LaFreniere</p>	
Approval of Agenda Changed order of Agenda	<p>Moved by: S. Smith Seconded by: L. Burry</p> <p>THAT the agenda for the January 16, 2023 Parent Involvement Committee meeting be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED</b></p>	
Declaration of Conflict of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
Confirmation of Minutes	<p>Moved by: S. Smith Seconded by: J. Malone</p> <p>THAT the minutes of the October 24, 2022, Parent Involvement Committee meeting be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED</b></p>	
Business Arising from the Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
Superintendent of Education Update S. Norlock	<p>S. Norlock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcomed our newest Trustee – N. Van Breda</li> <li>• Reviewed programs that have been changed or no longer. i.e. Hockey Program does not exist/now has Technologies</li> <li>• Updated the Numeracy work</li> <li>• Already organizing Summer School</li> </ul>	
Literacy Update P.J. Brunton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responding to HRC Right to Read Report</li> <li>• Shifting from balanced literacy approach to structured literacy approach</li> <li>• Last year - purchased programs for K-3</li> <li>• Summer Literacy Symposium - 2 days in August - Primary teachers</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This school year - moving focus to grades 4-8 (building knowledge in structured literacy content &amp; instructional practices)</li> <li>• Support from reading intervention teachers (school based) &amp; instructional coaches (central)</li> <li>• Implementation of data usage &amp; progress monitoring to drive literacy instruction and tiers of intervention</li> <li>• Training in Empower (tier 3 intervention) program (Sick Kids) - reading intervention teachers and SERTs</li> </ul>	
Review/Approve Pro Grant Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All approved</li> </ul>	
School Sharing Report All Schools	<p>L. Burry OPRS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular meetings being held</li> <li>• Students are bringing updates to each meetings</li> <li>• No fundraising at this time</li> </ul> <p>S. Smith (KPS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Book Donation:</b> We donated \$230 to purchase additional books from the Scholastic Book Fair. This put us over a specific spending threshold that allowed our library to purchase an extra \$750 in free books.</li> <li>• <b>Christmas Basket Raffle:</b> We raised about \$1,000 with a Christmas Basket Raffle again this year, thanks to so many local businesses who donated some awesome Christmas-themed swag for the three baskets.</li> <li>• <b>Christmas Donuts:</b> We purchased Christmas-themed donuts from Safeway for all our students &amp; staff on “Sweet Treat Day”</li> <li>• <b>Family Fun Night:</b> We contributed to the KPS staff’s Christmas Family Fun Night by collecting baked goodies, giving away three “turkey-sized-chickens” in a free turkey shoot, and paying for “Santa” to come and visit for an hour.</li> <li>• <b>Grants &amp; Donations:</b> We’ve been granted \$1,000 from Weyerhauser’s Giving Fund towards Forest School supplies, \$2,500 from the KLWCF for swimming lessons, and \$500 from the District of Kenora Homes for our lunch program.</li> <li>• <b>Luck of the Irish Raffle:</b> Our tickets will go out to families next week. This year we’re running a raffle with 3 grand prizes totalling \$8,000 and have printed 3,600 tickets.</li> <li>• <b>Valentine’s Dance:</b> We’re hosting all Grade 6 KPDSB students for a Valentine’s Dance on February 14.</li> <li>• <b>End-of-year spending:</b> We’re hoping to have \$15/student available for each classroom to put towards year-end activities in June.</li> </ul> <p>J. Malone (BBSS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A trades and tech day was held in Dryden.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Manitoba Theatre for Young People presented a production of Cranked for our Intermediate Students on December 1<sup>st</sup>.</li> <li>• Grade 7&amp;8s enjoyed a Christmas dance.</li> <li>• Grade 8 students are busy with their fundraising efforts to support their Toronto trip later this year.</li> <li>• An assembly was held on December 9<sup>th</sup> recognizing academic achievements. The same day a coffee house was held in the cafeteria.</li> <li>• On December 16<sup>th</sup> the school hosted Cozy Cultures, a multicultural event celebrating different cultures through food, activities, sports and crafts.</li> <li>• Week at a Glance is a document sent out weekly to our BBSS families providing important information about the current week schedule.</li> <li>• The first of two groups of grade 10 students has written the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test which is a graduation requirement. The second group will write this Spring.</li> <li>• The school will be hosting Ignite Your Future on January 17<sup>th</sup>. It is a career fair style activity where students in grades 9-12 can learn more about a wide variety of future occupations.</li> <li>• Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> there will be an all school assembly for students with Jackson Katz who is an internationally well renowned speaker. He will be addressing topics such as harassment, gender violence and prevention as well as the bystander effect.</li> </ul> <p>T. Berube (IGPS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas concert in December was well attended by parents/family</li> <li>• Fundraising for 2024 Toronto Trip has started.</li> <li>• Will host the Grade 4-6 Basketball Tournament in March welcoming students from throughout the Board.</li> <li>• We have participation in Nordic skiing this year which is a first for Ignace School.</li> </ul> <p>D. Armstrong-Ross DHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking forward to utilizing the PRO Grant funds</li> <li>• Reached out to Community partners to assist with the PRO Grant request regarding Mental Health</li> </ul>	
<p>Trustee of the Board Update N. Van. Breda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed the schools that made presentations for the Board – both Crolancia and Open Roads</li> <li>• School Year Calendar survey</li> <li>• National Ribbon Skirt Day – January 4<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	
<p>Northwestern Ontario Health Unit Report C. Socholotuk</p>	<p>Sent via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Routine immunizations in schools:</b> Northwestern Health Unit staff will be in your school to provide immunizations based on the <a href="#">Ontario publicly funded immunization schedule</a> and the <a href="#">Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA)</a>. Due to the COVID-19</li> </ul>	

	<p>pandemic, many students may need to be caught up on vaccines. The plan to get all students caught up and in compliance with the ISPA may look different in each community, but generally public health nurses will visit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary schools for grades 9 – 12 in December 2022 and March 2023</li> <li>• Elementary schools for primary immunizations in January and February 2023</li> <li>• Elementary and secondary school visits for grades 7 &amp; 8, and remaining 9 – 12s in April and May 2023</li> </ul> <p>Letters and consent forms will be sent home by the school for students requiring vaccination. Signed consent forms are collected by the school and provided to NWHU staff. New this year, parents will also have the option to provide consent online through our website.</p> <p>More information here: <a href="https://www.nwhu.on.ca">Vaccines and Immunizations – Northwestern Health Unit (nwhu.on.ca)</a></p> <p>Thank you for your continued assistance in keeping our students and communities healthy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stay home when sick</b> Viral illnesses are widespread in the region. Masking in all indoor public spaces is strongly encouraged. Stay home and keep children home when they feel unwell. Do not visit vulnerable people while unwell, including those in hospital or long-term care homes.</li> </ul> <p>The <a href="#">School and child care screening tool</a> provides instructions on what to do when someone is sick, and when they can return to school. You can also visit this website for more information: <a href="https://www.ontario.ca">Public health measures and advice   ontario.ca</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fall vaccine clinics – Flu and COVID-19 vaccine</b> The NWHU is still offering COVID-19 and Flu vaccinations. You can book your appointment on our website: <a href="https://www.nwhu.on.ca">Booking a COVID-19 or Flu Vaccine Appointment – Northwestern Health Unit (nwhu.on.ca)</a></li> <li>• <b>Northern Fruit and Vegetable Program</b> The Northern Fruit and Vegetable program began last week for K-8 schools. It is a free, school-based program that supplies two servings of fresh produce each week to elementary students, helping them to like, accept and eat fruit and vegetables. Posters featuring a variety of fruits and vegetables will be delivered to schools soon to complement the program. The posters are available in French and English.</li> </ul>	
Correspondence		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
Next Meeting Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• February 13, 2023</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.	

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Chair