

**DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL
ANGLOPHONE NORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**MINUTES
May 16, 2016
Tide Head School**

Present: Micheal Mortlock, Chair
Ron Ecker
Andy Flanagan
Raymond Murphy
Joe Petersen
Sheila Rogers
Beth Stymiest, Superintendent
Brenda Dunnett, Executive Assistant

Regrets: Mike Coster
Nancy McBain

AGENDA ITEMS	
A.	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p> <p>Mr. Mortlock called the meeting of the District Education Council to order at 5:45 p.m. at Tide Head School.</p>
B.	<p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY Raymond Murphy and seconded by Sheila Rogers that the Agenda be approved. MOTION CARRIED.</p>
C.	<p>PRESENTATION: Jocelyn St.Onge, Acting Principal, Tide Head School</p> <p>Ms. St.Onge welcomed the members of the District Education Council to Tide Head School. She stated that this school has 46 students and four classrooms: K-1, Grade 2, Grade 3 and Grade 4-5. She outlined the communities that Tide Head School serves, noting that some students are on the school bus as early as 6:55 each morning. Because of these early mornings, students do not attend classes on Wednesday afternoons. This time allows teachers to do extra planning and for students to take part in extra-curricular activities.</p> <p>Ms. St.Onge reviewed the wonderful support that Tide Head School receives from the community. The Tide Head Fire Department generously supports the breakfast program and is always willing to help the school when needed. This is the first year that the school has been able to offer a hot lunch program. It has been successful because of the financial support that the school receives</p>

	<p>from the community, and also because of Pam Dickson, who volunteers and dedicates her time each morning to serving breakfast to the students. Ms. Dickson was a recent recipient of the Anglophone North School District “Celebrate the Spirit Award”.</p> <p>The sports programs receive extra support as well. Canadian Tire donated Rugby equipment, and members of the Campbellton Tigers hockey team volunteered their time to run organized sports on Wednesday afternoons. This year, students played basketball.</p> <p>The school also gives back to the community. The Christmas Concert is a major event each year, and proceeds from the concert are donated to the Restigouche County Volunteer Action Association. This year, as a means of helping less fortunate children, the students at Tide Head School also sponsored 46 children through Operation Christmas Child. Ms. St.Onge noted that this activity became a huge learning experience for the students.</p> <p>Ms. St.Onge explained other successful programs at the school, including the Community Garden, Cleaning With Meaning, and the Campbellton Rotary’s Love of Reading program. As she concluded her presentation, Ms. St.Onge stated her belief that it takes a community to raise a child at Tide Head School.</p> <p>As a token of appreciation for hosting the meeting, Mr. Mortlock presented Ms. St.Onge with a book for her school library.</p>
D.	<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY Andy Flanagan and seconded by Joe Petersen that the minutes of the April 18, 2016 meeting be approved. MOTION CARRIED.</p>
E.	<p>BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</p> <p>There was no business arising from the minutes.</p>
F.	<p>CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS</p> <p>(a) Policy Monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) GP 1,2,3,4,5,7 – Meeting Review Form (ii) C/SR 4 – Meeting Review Form (iii) EL 1,7 – Meeting Review Form (iv) E-2, GP-9, GP-9A, EL-6, EL-15 – In Compliance – See Attached Briefing Notes <p>(b) New Educational Hirings</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY Sheila Rogers and seconded by Ron Ecker that the Consent Agenda Items be approved. MOTION CARRIED.</p>

G.	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>All correspondence items were forwarded to the District Education Council members for their review prior to the meeting.</p>
H.	<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <p>(a) Swearing-In Ceremony</p> <p>Mrs. Brenda Dunnett, Commissioner of Oaths, officiated over the swearing in of Micheal Mortlock, who was re-elected as the District Education Council member for Subdistrict 1, as well as Joseph Petersen, Sheila Rogers, Andy Flanagan, Ron Ecker and Raymond Murphy who were elected by acclamation as District Education Council members for their respective subdistricts.</p> <p>Mr. Mortlock informed members that an ad has been placed in the local newspaper seeking nominations for a District Education Council member for Subdistrict 4. It is hoped that this representative, as well as the First Nations' representative, will be appointed by July 1, 2016, the date that the new council officially starts its four-year term.</p> <p>(b) Major Capital Projects</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY Andy Flanagan and seconded by Joe Petersen that the following Major Capital Projects be approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Midlife upgrade at James M. Hill Memorial High School, including a feasibility study on the possibility of moving the Office of the Superintendent and the Miramichi Education Center from its current location to James M. Hill after the midlife upgrade is completed. James M. Hill Memorial High School has approximately \$2.4 million worth of projects on the capital improvement list. 2. Midlife upgrade at Bonar Law Memorial School. Bonar Law has over \$500,000 worth of projects on the capital improvement list. 3. Midlife upgrade at Miramichi Valley High School. This school has approximately \$420,000 on the capital improvement list. <p>MOTION CARRIED.</p> <p>(c) Capital Improvement List</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY Raymond Murphy and seconded by Sheila Rogers that the capital improvement projects list be approved as submitted, but that the district staff be given the latitude to change the list if a situation warrants a change in priority levels. MOTION CARRIED.</p>

	<p>(d) Turf Field at New Miramichi East School</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY Ron Ecker and seconded by Joe Petersen that Anglophone North School District explore the possibility of entering into an agreement with the City of Miramichi concerning an artificial soccer field at the new Miramichi East School. MOTION CARRIED.</p>
<p>I.</p>	<p>CHAIR'S COMMENTS</p> <p>Mr. Mortlock congratulated the District Education Council members who were elected by acclamation during the recent municipal elections.</p> <p>Mr. Mortlock stated that due to another engagement, he was unable to attend the Minister's Forum in Fredericton on May 14, 2016. He noted that Mrs. Stymiest attended the Forum, and that he will forward any pertinent information to Council members.</p> <p>All current and newly elected District Education Council members will be required to attend meetings on June 10, 2016 in Fredericton. Only acclaimed and newly elected District Education Council members will be required to attend the meetings on June 11, 2016.</p>
<p>J.</p>	<p>SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS</p> <p>Mrs. Stymiest reported on meetings and discussions that are being held with regard to the new 10-Year Education Plan, and the new "Deliverology" process that will be followed. Superintendents will continue to be involved in these discussions with the Deputy Minister and the Curriculum Branch.</p> <p>Mrs. Stymiest recently received the FTE allotment for Anglophone North School District. She and district staff have been meeting to finalize FTE allocations for each of the schools.</p> <p>Mrs. Stymiest received the following nominations for "Outstanding Volunteers" - Reverend Sandy Sutherland and Reverend Christopher Ketch from Harcourt School, Melanie Lowery from Harkins Elementary School, and Sara Mott Russell from James M. Hill Memorial High School. IT WAS MOVED BY Raymond Murphy and seconded by Andy Flanagan that Certificates of Appreciation be prepared and forwarded to each of these volunteers. MOTION CARRIED.</p> <p>Starfish Awards were presented to the Primary Team at Croft Elementary School, including Ann Cameron, Erica Hambrook, Andrea Hare, Moira Dedam and Amy Anderson-McKay. A Starfish Award was also presented to Janice Hache, Acting Subject Coordinator for Education Support Services, at the Dalhousie Education Center.</p>

K.	<p>DEC MEMBERS' COMMENTS</p> <p>Mr. Petersen attended the Restigouche Turnaround Achievement Awards held on May 10, 2016. He noted the amazing work that is being done by the students.</p> <p>Mr. Murphy expressed his appreciation that District Education Council members have the opportunity to schedule their meetings at schools throughout the district in order to have a better viewpoint of activities and programs in the schools. However, he also suggested the possibility of inviting district staff to DEC meetings to inform members about new curriculum programs that are underway in the district.</p> <p>Mr. Murphy reported that \$1,600 was raised for the Breakfast Program at Harcourt School. This was a tremendous effort by the community, considering the small population at this school.</p> <p>Mr. Ecker recently attended Parent School Support Committee meetings with teachers and parents to discuss upcoming graduation activities.</p> <p>Mrs. Rogers will be attending a District Health Advisory Committee (DHAC) meeting on May 19, 2016 and a Provincial Curriculum Advisory Committee (PCAC) meeting on May 24, 2016. In July, the PCAC and the Ministerial Committee on Testing and Evaluation (MCTE) will merge. She also reported on school activities in her subdistrict:</p> <p><u>Superior Middle School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four students won awards at the provincial French oratory competition. • Four students who participated in the English oratory competition all won prizes. • The girls' varsity volleyball team won a silver medal in their final zone tournament for the North. • 150 Heritage Fair projects were prepared by students, 76 of which went to the school-wide Heritage Fair. Eleven of these projects will be going to the district competition. Eleven students went to the Provincial Science Fair and six of them received medals. • Terry Fox's brother, Fred Fox, visited the students recently. <p><u>Bathurst High School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The students presented the play, "The Little Mermaid", in April. The students will be presenting two plays at the provincial drama festival in May. • A May breakfast was coordinated between Ecole secondaire Nepisiquit and Bathurst High School. This is always a great opportunity to build spirit between these two schools.
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	<p>Mr. Mortlock attended the Restigouche Turnaround Achievement Awards. He enjoyed the testimonials, and he acknowledged the tremendous collaboration involved in funding this program. He also enjoyed the projects that were presented at the recent Heritage Fair at Campbellton Middle School.</p>
L.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next regular meeting of the District Education Council will be held on June 20, 2016 at the Office of the Superintendent.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. on a motion by Raymond Murphy.</p>

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by Brenda Dunnett

Brenda Dunnett
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/DEC