

McAdam Elementary School 29 Rose Street McAdam, NB Parent School Support Committee Agenda

Date: October 10th, 2023 Time: 4:30pm Location: McAdam Elementary School

Call to Order: 4:30

Approval of the Agenda: Diane

Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting: Janessa

Attendance: Diane, Amy, Janessa, Michelle and Tammy – Tory and Garnett

Absent: Serena, Sarah and Sherry

Business Arising from the Minutes:

New Business:

Playground Equipment – Team from Economy, Nova Scotia came to visit today. Checked out the playground, met with older students and asked them questions and asked for feedback. Scott will send ariel photos to them. Talked with John Kilbride, he supplies them with wood regularly. Lions club is another avenue to look into for funds. If the town can remove them playground, it will save a lot of cost. Jody will get the village to look into wires and anything underground. Irving or Littles Lumber – might donate wood chips. McAdam has a lot of great material to source – boulders, wood, etc.

Try to connect to First Nations community.

Grass berm boarder – playground surface, at the edge there is a grass lump – this is a berm – you just have to maintain by mowing. If you add small rocks/stones, this makes another play space. Most economical/accessible base layer is wood chips. Turf grass can be an option but expensive.

You can also break it into sections and make different base layers.

Accessibility grants

 $School Cash Online-direct\ donations\ from\ anyone$

Graduated play- something kids use to challenge themselves. For example – going across the monkey bars – kids will work up to it.

Traditional Vs Natural – plastic and steel VS logs/timber and rocks

Kid suggestions:

Court - Concrete vs asphalt – concrete is better if you can afford it. Proper space with hoops and fence.

Disk golf, trampoline, sand area, climbing – ninja course, rock wall, talking tubes, skate park, storage building,

Design process that the government likes to see is a phased approach. Break the total cost into different phases. Work on different pieces for each phase that we can than focus on.

If we decide to work with this company, they help us with the phases, the fundraising, pricing, etc. They will provide an overview layout, phasing, pricing per item, expertise,

Only company that has volunteer insurance.

Make a list of what we think that the community can contribute.

Price increases are continuing

Tory can create an email to send with things to look for from community partners.

Easy ways to incorporate small things. Ex. If students went on a field trip and got shrubs then brought them back to school and planted.

Make a list of questions and send them along

Companies they use-Burke – inclusive fun,

Huck – work a lot on custom work.

- Paperwork:
 - Introduction to PSSC
 - o Brochure
- Principal Updates:
 - Staffing & Enrollment Updates we are up 15 students. Our new teacher is here full time
 5 days a week
 - o WITS
 - Breakfast Program Updates
 - o School Clothing Do we want to do this again? Consensus YES
 - Cross Country everyone is doing awesome
 - o Jack's Pizza Nuggets (\$7 for 5 nuggets and fries) YES
 - Shirley Moffit Thank You big card from students, invite to next assembly, gift school clothing
- Bus Driver complaints about him taking the bus home every day. not in our hands, they are in their own union

- Action Item:

Scott - Get numbers on how many are participating in pizza for Tammy

Correspondence:

Closing Comments:

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday November 7, 2023

Adjournment: 5:55

PSSC Chair

Principal