



ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fredericton High School
300 Priestman St, Fredericton, E3B 6J8
Parent School Support Committee – Meeting Minutes
Date: April 27, 2026
Location: Fredericton High School
Time: 6:00PM

<p>PSSC Members: Mark Taylor (Acting Chair) Jacqueline Reid (Secretary) Mika Solway Andrea Addison Moira Buyting</p> <p>Guests: Mark Garnett - Vice Principal (Surnames E, Si-Z) Matthew Lynch – SPR Science</p> <p>PSSC Member Regrets: Katie Côté (Chair) Pamela Kitchen (Vice-Chair)</p>	<p>School Representation: Derek Bradford (Teacher Representation)</p> <p>Principal: Peter Batt</p> <p>DEC Representation: Ruth Eden</p> <p>Student Rep: Winter Daniels - absent</p>
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Call to order: We respectfully acknowledge the territory in which we gather is the unceded ancestral homeland of the Wulastukwey people.

Approval of the agenda:

- **Motion to approve:** Moira Buyting
- **Seconded:** Andrea Addison

Approval of past meeting minutes:

- Corrected Sabrina Bradford’s name to Serena Bradford in the March 30 Meeting Minutes.
- **Motion to approve:** Mika Solway
- **Seconded:** Moira Buyting

Principal’s Report: Peter Batt

- Refer to the attached PSSC – Principal’s Report – Apr. 27, 2026
- 3 FHS students will be going to the national “Skills Canada” competition.

Teacher’s Report: Derek Bradford

- The Glee Choir performed at the Playhouse and won their class with a score of 95 in the Fredericton Music Festival.
- The FHS Heritage Fair 2026 was successful with over 50 projects and 7 students will go on to present 6 projects at the Regional Heritage Fair on May 6.
- FHS Resource hosted the 6th annual Transition to Adult Life night on April 8th and it was well attended with lots of positive feedback.
- The Personal Interest course is a course where students get to design their own topic, research and then demonstrate their learning of that topic. For example:
 - Learning in Leadership – our SRC president has combined her duties at FHS with learning to be a better leader. She not only had an hour of class time each day to get some of her SRC work done, but she also took the time to read self-improvement books about leadership and was able to find appropriate technology to streamline the organization of SRC projects. Having the Personal Interest course allowed her to go above and beyond the “grunt” work of SRC and really allowed her to develop as a leader and help develop leadership skills in other students.
 - Movement is Life – a student who was laid up all summer with a major back injury was able to use the class time for physiotherapy and going to the gym. His journey went from being able to tie his own shoes again, to being allowed to lift more than 50 lbs of weight by the end of semester. The mental health benefit of this was also demonstrated in journals and confidence to present his journey to the class.

Student Report: Winter Daniels - absent

DEC Report: Ruth Eden

- DEC nominations are now closed.
- The time for applying to become a student councillor has been extended for 2 more weeks.
- The Lincoln/Doak Road school building has been approved with an expected Sept 2030 opening.
- Half the people completed the Grade 12 Exit Survey with about half the respondents reporting they were bullied but did not report it.
- The next DEC meeting will take place on May 21.

Guest Reports:

- Matthew Lynch - SPR Science
 - Discussed department goals and plans
 - Accomplishments:
 - Egg to Chick program –
 - live feed
 - sparked great conversations
 - students really enjoyed it
 - UNB Engineering tour
 - Nature NB
 - Brilliant Blue documentary coming soon
 - Forestry sector guests
- Mark Garnett, VP (Surnames E, Si-Z letter range)
 - 3rd year as VP at FHS

- Math & Science liaison
- Part of the FHS scheduling team
- Duty scheduler
- SRC liaison
- Prom
- Honours for Grade 12's

Adjournment: 7:05pm

Date of Next Meetings: May 25, 2026 at 6 p.m. – Final Meeting

PSSC – Principal’s Report – April 27, 2026

- The FHS Culture Day was held on April 22nd. It was a huge success. The energy on display, along with the student engagement, was really something to see. This annual event is a true highlight, and one that we look forward to seeing continue in the building in the years to come.
- Conversations continue regarding the development of the broad school goal for the 2026-27 school year, which will focus on Classroom Environment. This will be shared with staff in late May, with departments looking to craft their department specific goals throughout June and into September.
- Conversations are ongoing regarding the Career Life Plan that was recently introduced by EECD.
- Conversations are also ongoing regarding the use of myBlueprint in the building and how it can be leveraged to support students.
- Planning has started regarding staff PL for the 2026-27 school year.
- The school has nominated two deserving candidates for the Kingswood Turnaround Achievement Award, that will be presented on May 5th at the Fredericton Inn.
- A Homeroom Committee has been struck to look at potential changes to how HR fits into the school schedule going forward for September, 2026. Details around any changes will be shared with parents in August.
- The school is once again involved with CIVIX Canada, related to the upcoming municipal elections. Students responded to a survey on April 17th – the details of which will be shared with Federal agencies that look at policy implementation. In addition, Student Vote is set for May 7th with students having their say on the platforms for the candidates in Ward 9, where the school is located.
- The Holocaust Memorial Exhibit will once again be on display in the building, from May 4th-8th. Andrew Champion, one of our Humanities teachers, will lead the discussion on this exhibit with various Humanities classes throughout this 5 day period.
- Various projects remain on the go:
 - Exterior signage for the property was delivered in early March and will be installed in the weeks to come – some installation has already occurred in the student drop off lane!
 - The E100 revamp is nearly complete – final stages will be finished over the summer months.
 - The School Beautification Committee continues to meet to discuss future projects. Recent student data was collected and reviewed to lend a student voice to this process. Future considerations include: a cafeteria refresh; new signage and landscaping adjacent to the Priestman St. entrance; additional rock borders throughout the property; updated student seating throughout common areas in the building; FHS Administration display (framed photos).
 - The school continues to work with stakeholders to discuss improvements to the various fields on property.
- Upcoming Date:
 - May 1st – NBTA Council Day (no school for students)
 - May 11th – NBTA Local Branch Day (no school for students)
 - May 18th – Victoria Day (school closed)
 - May 25th – Final PSSC meeting for the 2025-26 school year
 - May 26th – Grade 8 Orientation Visit (Feeder schools only)

- May 27th – Grade 8 Parent Orientation Visit
- June 5th to 11th – Semester II Assessment Week
- June 15th – Grade 12s return for report cards (tentative date)
- June 16th – Prom & Safe Grad
- June 18th – Graduation
- June 19th – Grade 9-11s return for report cards (tentative date)