***PSSC Meeting*** Feb.24/25

*Attendance:* Christoph, Natalie, Erin, Cindy, Allison, Breanna

*Regrets:* Alysha, Stephan, Melissa

*Appointees:* Erin as chair, Cindy as co-chair

*Dates for meetings*: Oct.21/24, Dec.9/24, Feb.24/25, May 12/25

*Agenda Items*

-Project based learning blocks: need to have ways to assess them and report on their benefits. Provincial department supports the programs.

-Data shared by Natalie on assessments in math and reading/writing (grade K-5):

-14% below average in math

-second set of assessments were improved (not as many below average)

-district has an assessment for grade 3-5 for spelling, but not other subjects

-screener for k-4 was developed by our teachers (PERS)

-older grades are still having residual affects from Covid

-new assessment tool (EGLA) for K-2 starting next year

-need interventions EARLY!

*Social/Emotional items:*

* Staff are getting a book on trauma informed care
* Increase in incidents of disrespect (55%)
* District looking at using a positive reinforcement program/structure called PBIS
* Attendance continues to be an issue (ie. 34 students absent for 17 days)
* Buses remain crowded and bus attendants have been used, wondering what training happens for bus attendants.

*Highlights*

* Getting more bees!
* Money from presidents’ choice grant for a free meal (Feb.26)