

Nashwaaksis Middle School  
Parent School Support Committee Meeting – Minutes  
March 9, 2026

**Attendees:**

Jamie Foster-Stewart	Matthew Stainforth
Brett Black	Nicole Johnson
Mary Brophy	Stephanie Mead

**Call to Order:** 6:01 pm

Agenda was approved by attendees

**Chair's Report:**

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**Principal's Report:**

- Update on School Improvement Plan
  - Academic Support Teachers half time at school – one for math and other for literacy
    - continuing to rotate every 6 weeks
    - seeing a very positive impact from these resources
  - Math Goal: multiplication of decimals – goal of 70% success rate
    - phase assessments conducted in February – 63% overall success rate
      - grade 6 was 54% (20% improvement)
      - grade 7 was 64% (4% improvement)
      - grade 8 was 72%
    - teachers are focussing on targeted groups (school has bought more small group tables)
  - Literacy Goal: fluency in oral reading – goal of 55% success rate
    - Phase assessment conducted in February – 62.9% success rate
      - grade 6 was 73%
      - grade 7 was 56%
      - grade 8 was 60%
    - teachers are using partner reading and doing mini lessons on fluency
- Attendance Policy
  - PSSC members have not heard any comments or feedback from parents
  - administration has had some positive and negative feedback
  - there are still some students who are missing a significant amount of time

- School Lunch Program for 2026-27 school year
  - lunch will be offered at a reduced rate (~half the current price)
  - mandated to run from first day of school to last day of school
  - offer 2 healthy protein-rich meals (one meat, one non-meat)
  - will be online pre-orders and some same day items
  - low income students will be provided free lunch or a further reduced rate (students identified by the school)
  - school will no longer be able to hold any food related events during the lunch time
    - cannot do fundraisers, pizza parties or potlucks unless at different time during the school day
    - can still offer recess snack cart
  - a letter will be sent to parents from the Province in late spring
  
- IGNITE
  - winter session was very successful and went very smoothly
  - will be doing a spring session over the last 3 Thursdays in April
  - spring session will have some offsite options
  
- Grade 8 End of Year Planning
  - there is an upcoming planning meeting later in March
  - Dates: June 3-6 – Quebec trip
    - June 9 – sports awards banquet
    - June 16 – field trip and high school grads welcomed to return to NMS
    - June 17 – graduation (morning)
    - June 18 – farewell dance
    - June 19 – report cards and last day of classes

Date of next meeting: April 20, 2026 at 6:00 pm