

RF Staples School Council Meeting

Tuesday Sept 24, 2019 – 7pm

Executive: Kerri Wiegand (Chair) Bonnie Jespersen (Sec) Ellen Barrett (Social Media)
Jan Hoffart (Community Member)
Shawna Vollema (President-RF Staples Parent Fundraising Committee)

Reminders:

- get Pembina Hills School Division news! - subscribe at www.phpschools.ca – button on left side
- Operation Education – save (or get a duplicate) of your BP's & McD's receipts!
Turn in to office – proceeds go to RF Staples Parent Fundraising Committee
Well over \$1000 has been received since 2013

A Call to Order / Welcome & Introductions 7:03pm

B Adopting of Agenda / Adopting of Minutes from May 28, 2019

Agenda adopted by Jan Hoffart / May 28, 2019 Minutes adopted by Amie Brett

C Old Business

C1 – 2019/2020 School Council Meeting dates:

Sept 24 Nov 26 Jan 28 Mar 31 May 26

C2 – School sign (south facing) – *plan in works for concrete work in to be done in connection with building option class.*

D New Business

D1 – School Council – platform for conversation not including:

A) Personal/specific experience B) Personnel/staff C) Legal

Purpose of "Building in Roads" and useful for opening conversations with our children

D2 – RF daily announcements on website – www.rfstaples.ca

Parents are encouraged to check daily announcements on website for what's happening at the school

E Administrator's Report / Questions for Administration

E1 – New bell schedule

RF SENIOR HIGH BELL SCHEDULE:

<u>Focus/TAG Days</u>	<u>Regular Days 1 & 2</u>
8:55-10:10	8:55-10:19
10:15-10:45 TAG	10:25-11:48
10:50-12:05	Lunch 11:48-12:33
Lunch 12:05-12:50	12:33-1:56
12:50-2:05	2:02-3:25
2:10-3:25	

TAG (Teacher advisory group) currently once every 2 weeks on Mondays. Focus is currently Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Still open for adjustments

RF JUNIOR HIGH BELL SCHEDULE:

<u>Day 1 & 3</u>	<u>Day 2 & 4</u>
8:55-9:55	8:55-9:50
10:00-11:00	9:55-10:49
11:05-12:05	10:54-11:48
Lunch 12:05-12:50	Lunch 11:48-12:33
12:50-1:50	12:33-1:27
1:55-2:55	1:32-2:26
3:00-3:25 Focus	2:31-3:25

Tag Day 1 and focus Day 3 both held in TAG rooms.

E2 – RF Talks Presentations (jr. high) – DISCONTINUED

Could bring in some speakers/presentations during focus times but not being scheduled on a regular rotation.

E3 – Monthly Assemblies

Held during focus times

*Looking for positive reasons to gather; celebrating “Work hard Be Kind” advocates
Senior and Junior high would be separate assemblies*

E4 – Grad Convocation 2020

Grad Parent meeting Wednesday, October 9

Science 30 diploma proposed for Friday, June 26 (not finalized until November)

Looking at options for Convocation date/timing

E5 – Update on new Cell phone policy

- To be in locker or shut off if in backpacks as some students don't have lockers*
- Process is: 1st offense teachers confiscate, 2nd goes to office and Parent must pick up from there, 3rd parent meeting with possible suspension*
- Have not gotten to a 3rd offense so far this school year*

Noticeably reduced social media drama/behavioral issues and students are engaging with one another during break times

E6 – New Staff at RF

Mr Rufiange gave quick update of new staff members

E7 - Pembina Hills 'start-up' speaker Dr. Jody Carrington re: Connection - *tabled*

F Student Report – Student's Union member – Skye Sekulich

F1- What is the role of the Student's Union executive?

Promote school spirit, plan events, fundraise, clean out and prepare lockers at beginning and end of school year

F2- Has the Executive identified a 'plan' or objectives for the upcoming school year?

- Frosty formal proposed date Dec 12*
- Assist with school activities (ex: Terry Fox Walk)*
- Stop Gap – building ramps and increasing accessibility around town conjunction with Westlock Accessible Coalition*

G Trustee's Report & Questions

PHPS Board meeting minutes and agenda found at:

<https://www.phpschools.ca/school-board/school-board-meetings/>

Highlights:

- *Name change officially - Pembina Hills School Division*
- *Aligning policies and procedures with new Education Act*
- *Publishing in local newspapers highlights of board meeting – would like feedback, is anyone reading and appreciating this? Cost per year of \$9,000 for the three papers.*

I Adjournment *9:06pm*