# RF Staples School Council Meeting Google Meet – Tuesday Dec 8, 2020 – 7pm

**Executive:** Kerri Wiegand (Chair) Amanda Nelisher (Sec) Shawna Vollema (Treasurer)

Ellen Barrett (Social Media) Jan Hoffart (Community Member)

## A Call to Order / Welcome & Introductions

Call to order at 7:04 p.m.

In attendance Wendy Scinski, Margaret LeBlanc, Kerri Wiegand, Wayne Rufiange, Michelle Rigney, Amanda Nelisher, Kari Byvank, Karen Gabel, Kyle Beattie

Meeting date was originally scheduled for December 1, 2020, but postponed until December 8, 2020

# B Adopting of Agenda / Adopting of Minutes from Oct 7, 2020

RF School Council meeting minutes can be found at <a href="www.rfstaples.ca">www.rfstaples.ca</a> under Student/Parent Info

then under School Council

Minutes from previous meeting adopted by Margaret LeBlanc Agenda approved by Margaret LeBlanc Second by Kari byvank

## C Trustee's Report & Questions

Board meeting minutes can be found at www.phpschools.ca

# D Administrator's Report / Questions for Administration

**D1** – Covid procedures – Any students currently coming to the building?

Life skills students are still attending school, in the building. Some junior high students are coming in for extra support. There have been 11 appointments booked from students to get one-on-one support with teachers. Teachers are trying to make accommodations for students.

RF Staples was inspected after the outbreak (two or more students) of covid-19. It was suggested to take daily temperatures and have health checks recorded, but was decided not to follow that path

#### **D2** – Teacher reduction pool

\$20,000 cost for subs in one week, which is more than half the reserve for one year. It's the most stressful time because of covid-19 and uncertainty about job security. Two current staff are not returning but potentially could return depending on numbers of students in

the next year. Four teachers took a reduction pool package. Eight teachers, of 5 years seniority or less, had to make room for ADLC staff. It was presented to human resources and they made the decision.

#### **D3** – Diploma exams

Diplomas are optional. 25% of diplomas ordered were sent. There are more students wanting to take their diplomas than expected.

English - 1 5 out of 20 students are taking it

English 30-2 approximately 50% of the students are taking the diploma

Social - 1 25% are registered

Social-2 30% are registered

Math 30-1 less than 25% are registered

Math 30 - 2 less than 25%

Biology 30 less than 25%

Chemistry 30 less than 25%.

Teachers are doing their own assessments and final exams for those that are not taking diplomas. Post secondary institutes will be using the school marks to determine admission. It will not be combined with school and diploma which should not affect student applications.

#### **D4** – List of Graduates

List of graduates has been sent out so some students need to understand that extra effort needs to be put in to finish and pass their classes so there are no surprises at time of graduation. Some students are just missing CALM and P.E. and just need to make that up. February is the timeline to update the list.

Students from Vista virtual will still be able to graduate with their class.

#### D5 - TikTok Video

#### #RFThunderbirdsvacation

Students are asked to make a duet of Wayne's video and send in for a draw for an ugly sweater. There are 12 opportunities to win. One student has submitted so far. Approximately 6080 students have commented and have thought it was fun.

#### **E Old Business**

AWARDS-Karen Gabel asked if awards are being planned for high school. The Junior High video has been delayed due to the editing student leaving for at home learning. There will be a PowerPoint with pictures of the students with a presentation of awards. It will be in the newspaper, as well

#### **F** New Business

F1 – Upcoming 2020/21 Meeting dates:

\*\*Scheduled date of next meeting, Wednesday February 3rd, has been moved to Wednesday February 10th of 2021

#### **F2** – Satisfaction Survey

Satisfaction survey has been sent out to parents. The link is being sent out to students this week or next.

# \*F3 – comment by Kyle Beattie re: Masters

Kyle Beattie is taking his master's degree in education and physical education. He feels it is making him a better teacher, from taking courses. Kyle noted Volleyball provincials were awarded to RF but was declined because much of the coaching Staff are not prepared, and because of the current state of the pandemic.

## **G** Adjournment

meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. next meeting is scheduled for February 10th 7 p.m. of 2021