**RF Staples School Council Meeting**

**Google Meet – Wednesday June 2, 2021 – 7pm**

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

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

Call to order at **7:06 p.m.**

**A. Welcome~ In Attendance**

Kerri Weigend, Amanda Nelisher, Wayne Rufiange, Wendy Scinski, Perry Kulmatyski, Margaret LeBlanc, Karen Gabel, Kari Byvank.

**B. Adopting of Agenda / Adopting of Minutes from April 13, 2021**

RF School Council meeting minutes can be found at [www.rfstaples.ca](http://www.rfstaples.ca) under Student/Parent Info then under School Council

Adoption of agenda by Margaret LeBlanc

Adoption of minutes by Karen Gable

**C. Trustee’s Report & Questions**

Board meeting minutes can be found at [www.phpschools.ca](http://www.phpschools.ca)

**D. Administrator’s Report / Questions for Administration**

**D1. Covid updates**.

No changes have been made to protocols. The Phys-ed classes are the only ones able to use the weight room right now. Students can go outside if they wish to exercise.

Two students in grade 11 have tested positive for COVID-19, resulting in 90 students isolating. 60 families were contacted Saturday via email by Wayne. 30 additional families were contacted Tuesday by Wayne and other staff. Because there are so many students out, mostly in grade 11, anyone who is not isolating, have chose to stay home, as there are very minimal students in their class. The transmission was outside of school. Wayne is concerned about grade 12 students being affected resulting in a disruption of graduation.

**D2. Graduation 2021 updates.**

Similar to the 2020 drive-by Convocation Ceremony. Students can come in one of three different time slots: 12pm, 12:30pm and 1 p.m. Graduating student will get out of the vehicle, will walk up the sidewalk, across the stage, be recognised, and return to their vehicle. No one else is allowed to get out of the vehicle, only The Graduate. Planning the convocation will be finished around 3 p.m.

Grad list has been finalized on June 2nd.

Email has been sent out via email, as well as messages, and messenger.

There is going to be a work beat, to get signs ready. next week to plan a set up and decorating. Veronica Scallion is working on the pictures and yard signs. She says that the theatre is not great for photos and feels not personal enough

**D3. Staffing update**

A new associate principal is to be announced soon. As Perry Kulmatyski is retiring.

ADLC is shutting down however, students are still able to go to outreach and Vista virtual but there will be changes to the format. Just finalizing what will be offered. CTS and options will still be available. It will no longer be free. it is $150 per credit now. Students cannot choose ADLC if the class is offered at R.F. Staples. Students Can't choose outreach just because they do not like a teacher. Vista virtual will take on some of Outreach programs.

**E. Old business**.

**E1. Scholarships**

Application deadline will be June 11th of 2021. Scholarships are listed in the student handbook, located on the website, however it is difficult to find. Wayne and Shawna will separate the scholarship list from the handbook, to make it easier to find on the website.

Students can apply once within 5 years of graduation

**E2. School Council Chair replacement???**

Still currently looking for a council chair.

Thank you, Kerri Wiegand, for all your years as Council chair! You have made the school better! We deeply appreciate all your hard work and everything you have done.

**F. New business.**

**F1**. Update from Grad Parent Celebration Committee

Grad committee was not able to attend the meeting, however communication has been good with the school.

**F2**. Student timetables – protocol when they need attention?

Next week students can make an appointment for changing any of their timetables. Wayne will make an announcement for times and dates. Grade 10 students should not have any spares, Grade 11 are allowed 1, and Grade 12 are allowed 2, if wanted. All timetables are computer-generated, and Shawna tries to go through everyone's, but some do you get missed. Students have until mid-September to make changes to their timetable.

**G. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.