

# RF Staples School Council Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2023

Call to order at 6:08 p.m.

## **A In Attendance:**

*Karen Gabel, Amanda Nelisher, Darcy Kirkham - Principal, Stephanie Vela-Lopez - Associate Principal, School Trustee Sherry Allen,*

## **B. Adopting of Agenda / Adopting of Minutes from November 30**

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

*Due to low attendance, no voting was able to occur.*

## **C. Trustee's Report & Questions**

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

The Satisfaction survey is coming up, and will run from January 27-February 12. It will take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

Annually, the board submits a 3 project capital request to Alberta Education. This year, they are only submitting their top priority, which is upgrades to Barhead high school.

ASBA has an indigenous Spirit award. Please contact the school liaison to nominate someone. Deadline for nominations is February 3.

Currently hiring more staff with social work and human services.

Trustee Sherry made a comment that grade 7s, in Fairview school, fundraised to raise money for seniors to bring them meals at Christmas. And she thinks it's a very good idea that our schools do something similar.

Next week the trustees are going to Fort Assiniboine and Swan hills.

## **D. Administrator's Report / Questions for Administration**

Diploma Exams are occurring right now. They result in 20% of the final grade. Next year the percentage of Final Grade will increase to 30%.

Have not received data from the 2021-22 year yet.

The PAT test data results are different in comparison to past years. Will discuss strategies at the Provincial Development Learning on Monday to increase rates. We are currently slightly below for provincial data and other schools are the same. We will look at where kids are and go from there.

Office visits are down. Supervision has helped greatly. Darcy is very grateful to the staff for volunteering to supervise breaks.

Basketball is starting. A tournament with the division 2 senior high team is in Morinville this week.

There are plans for a Spring Theater production.

The Band performance went well. It is the first live performance that we've had in a few years..

A Camp Nakamun trip is in the works.

Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews are March 15th and 16th.

A few Teachers are currently away marking exams.

The junior high ski trip is scheduled for February. They are going to Tawatinaw.

In March, David Bouchard, an Indigenous Canadian author, will be coming to do a 90 minute presentation, then there will be a debriefing in the afternoon. Concrete Theatre will be coming to do a production.

The Junior High skating and swimming program is now complete.

Two of the three Grade 9 classes have completed the PARTY Program.

### **E. Student Leadership Report (Student's Union)**

Riley Plain was our previous representative from the Student's Union, however, we do not have someone current. Darcy has spoken with some students and is coaching them in leadership. He is hoping to have a student come and get involved in the future.

### **F. Old business**

1. Fundraising Committee - Shawna Vollema, currently has signing authority and she will be transferring authority over to Michelle Rgney. No meetings have occurred this year.
2. We are hoping to recruit more parents to get involved with the Parent Council at Parent-Teacher-Student interviews. We are needing new members. Current members will set up a table in the hallway, with information.

### **G. Grad Committee Report**

No one was in attendance to report

### **I. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 19th at 6:00 p.m