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| **Fredericton High School Parent School Support Committee****MINUTES****Monday, February, 2021 – Virtual** |
| **Present:**Stephanie Underhill Tomilson, PrincipalPamela Kitchen, Vice-ChairKim Kelly Joey BernardKaren FlinnWendy Wright-GardnerPam Shanks**Regrets:**Tracey Burkhardt, ChairLaura O’Brien – DEC Representative | Karen TamlynHayley MorganAndrew Rutledge - Teacher Representative Amanda Zhang- Student RepresentativeCharlee Versloot – Student RepresentativeGinger NicholsonOla Abuzzayed |

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| 1. **Welcome**

Pamela Kitchen chaired the meeting and welcomed the group. 1. **Approval of agenda**

Motion made by K. Kelly to approve agenda with addition of discussion about Blended Learning and a review of the Welcome to FHS Documents.  1. **Approval of minutes from January 25, 2021**

Motion made by J. Bernard to approve draft minutes for the January 25, 2021 meeting as circulated by email. Seconded by W. Wright-Gardner. 1. **Reports**

**Student representative update** – SRC sold 100 cans of Crush for their recent Valentine’s Day fundraiser. They plan to hold a similar fundraiser for St. Patrick’s Day where students can buy a gold coin and send to a friend. SRC is also organizing a March Madness spirit week. Banners have been ordered and shipped at a cost of $279.82. The Pulse Survey has been delayed to next school year.**DEC update** – Laura O’Brien did not attend meeting.  **Teacher representative update** – A. Rutledge gave an update on some things happening at school:* World Issues 120 class (Shayna Saunders) is recognizing Black History month with research projects in collaboration with UNB and Multi-Cultural Association.
* Grade 10 PDCP class is working with UNB/STU/NBCC?LI to get their info to students to help with course selection.
* Lori Pearson who has Lean Sigma 6 training is working with PAWS to assist Grade 9 students who have fallen behind in two or more classes.
* Science Dept. – NB Science week is being held after March break and one partner is Scient East. There will be virtual interviews including one with Dr. Jennifer Russell.
* English Dept. – professional learning for teachers on their own time.
* Math Dept. – G. Nicholson advised that teachers have found this semester working better with blended learning.

**Principal update -** S. Tomilson provided update on the following:* Terra McNeil, a trades teacher who splits time with FHS and LHHC and is red seal automotive technician and welder will be featured in an article in the Daily Gleaner this week. The story will be about the inclusive mode she is developing.
* Lori Thomas is working helping students work on a digital portfolio that shows the tangible skills they have necessary for the workforce.
* Internet reboot/upgrade – will be completed over March break and should improve spend and quality of connection.
* Staff Appreciation week – staff are appreciative of the thank you kits.
* Grade 9 students next year – there will be a 100 more students.
* Two new social media platforms – one on twitter and one on Instagram. No FaceBook page currently.
* Course selection – March 8 to Mrach 14, 2021 – there will be four homeroom classes to assist with selection. There will also be an online parent night.
* Grade 8 transition to FHS – S. Tomilson has been meeting with feeder schools to figure out virtual ways to introduce Grade 8 students to high school.
* COVID-19 – sports can resume as can band without strings. School is looking at activities for students during lunch.
* Bathrooms are a supervision issue with COIVD-19 restrictions.
* Admin team is reviewing data from first semester (grades broken down by depart and teacher) to figure out a plan for those students who were not successful.
1. **Discussion items**

Budget – K. Kelly made a motion to make an amendment to the previous approved budget to confirm that $711 for Staff Appreciation be changed to Communication Supplies. Seconded by P. Kitchen. All were in favour. 1. **New Business**

**Discussion about Blended Learning -** PSSC members are to provide Pamela Kitchen with their thoughts/concerns/advantages of the new blended learning of 10 minutes on virtual days. P. Kitchen will collate/summarize with a goal of writing to District. **Welcome to FHS document –** PSSC members discussed the current FHS Welcome document and whether there are any edits/changes required. It was agreed that given this needed to be printed by end of fiscal year, members would review and provide any changes or additions via email. K. Flinn has agreed to make edits to the document and share with all members.1. **Adjournment and Next meeting**

Motion to adjourn made by P. Kitchen. Next PSSC meeting planned for March 29, 2021 at 5:30 pm.  |

*Minutes prepared by: Kim Kelly*