

Fredericton High School Parent School Support Committee

MINUTES

Monday, March 29, 2021 – Virtual

Present:

Stephanie Underhill Tomilson, Principal

Tracey Burkhardt, Chair

Laura O'Brien – DEC Representative

Kim Kelly

Joey Bernard

Karen Flinn

Pam Shanks

Karen Tamlyn

Hayley Morgan

Andrew Rutledge - Teacher Representative

Amanda Zhang- Student Representative

Charlee Versloot – Student Representative

Regrets:

Wendy Wright-Gardner

Ginger Nicholson

Pamela Kitchen, Vice-Chair

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1. Welcome

Tracey Burkhardt chaired the meeting and welcomed the group.

2. Approval of agenda

Motion to approve agenda made by J. Bernard and seconded by K. Tamlyn.

3. Approval of minutes from February 22, 2021

The approval of the minutes was deferred until the next meeting scheduled for April 26, 2021.

4. Reports

Student representative update – SRC held a fundraiser for St. Patrick’s Day where students bought a gold coin and sent to a friend. SRC has organized a March Madness bracket event that is finishing this week. SRC is also planning a Welcome back event for when all students come back on April 12/21. Another new initiative is “EcoSchools” that is a branch of the SRC that is focused on environmental issues including World Water Day. Plan is to make this a separate club in the next school year.

DEC update – Laura O’Brien provided the following update from the recent DEC meeting.

- Ventilation - there are 24 schools in ASD-W that do not have full ventilation systems. Efforts are underway to make improvements and in the meantime air circulation strategies are being communicated and utilized. FHS is not one of the schools affected by this.
- Last week we received the fourth quarterly report on the budget; it is a balanced budget
- The District Improvement Plan for this upcoming year will be a one year plan again, with one of the priorities being social-emotional health and wellbeing
- There will be working sessions in April and May to finalize and approve a capital projects list for the upcoming year. 140 projects have been identified by District staff - the list is currently under embargo but any items pertaining to FHS will be shared as soon as possible
- May elections are coming up quickly for anyone interested in running for DEC. It is a four year term and nomination forms are due by April 8. I will not be running for Council and am happy to answer any questions about what is involved in being a member of the DEC.

Teacher representative update – A. Rutledge gave an update on some things happening at school:

1. Dwight Dunfield: FHS Musical Production for School year 2021-2022 is underway. Auditions begin in May 2021.
2. Science Department Initiatives:
 - a. Chemistry 111/112 - Students are using tinker cad to create models of molecules, we are in the design process. Once created, we will import these into a BLVR room (virtual reality). This will create a virtual molecule experience for students. We will have more to share in the Month of April once the molecules are in the BLVR room.
 - b. Conceptual Physics 11 - Right now it is astronomy, and we are going outside to view

