# Fredericton High School Parent School Support Committee MINUTES

## Monday, February 22, 2021 – Virtual

### Present:

Stephanie Underhill Tomilson, Principal Pamela Kitchen, Vice-Chair Kim Kelly Joey Bernard Karen Flinn Wendy Wright-Gardner Pam Shanks Karen Tamlyn Hayley Morgan Andrew Rutledge - Teacher Representative Amanda Zhang- Student Representative Charlee Versloot – Student Representative Ginger Nicholson Ola Abuzzayed

#### **Regrets:**

Tracey Burkhardt, Chair Laura O'Brien – DEC Representative

## 1. Welcome

Pamela Kitchen chaired the meeting and welcomed the group.

# 2. 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.

# 3. 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.

# 4. 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 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 Science 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 March 14, 2021 there will be four homeroom classes to