



**FFCA High School Council
Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2020**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Yogesh Patel
Janice Reisdorf
Jignesh Trivedi
Ola Odetola

ADMINISTRATION

Bharati Singh

TEACHER REP

Kim Kjellbotn

GUESTS

Andrei Filonov

STUDENT REP

REGRETS

Hiba K. (Student Rep)

MEMBERS ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Yogesh Patel at 4:49 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was presented and accepted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** to approve the March 3, 2020 meeting minutes as presented was made by Jignesh Trivedi, seconded by Ola Odetola and **CARRIED**.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

- a. There is not much to report since the ASC meeting was cancelled.
- b. The Food Bank drive was very successful.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There are no changes since the March, 2020 statement.



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Statement of Account as at Apr 03, 2020			
Opening Bank Balance Mar 3 2020			1966.81
Deposits			
Fundraiser Draft for Calgary flames			0
Withdrawals:			
Cheques:			0
Cash deposit: (donation from parent)			0
Bank charges			0
Bank Total 3-Mar-20			1966.81 (a)
Available Balance as at Sep 30, 2019 with H/o b/f to oct			2,471.00
Adjustment from H/o per Reta's email			27
Balance as at Oct 31, 2019			2,498.00
Available Balance as at Oct 31, 2019 b/f			2,498.00 (b)
2019 In-Lieu Fundraiser (also with H/o)			
Amounts collected as at Dec 2:			2,150.00
Additional contributions in December 2019			150
Additional contributions in Jan - Feb 2020			1,000.00
Total In-Lieu for the 2019-2020 school year			3,300.00 (c)
Total Funds with H/o			5,798.00 (d=b+c)
EXPENSES:			
Less WELCOME BACK bbq exp:			
	Janice	-412.07	
	Jignesh	-47.36	
	Gst Adjustment	1.91	-457.52
Less ASC Funds Jan 2020			
	ASC Annual Fee	-200	
	Community Funds Fee	-1900	-2100
Less Staff Meals Jan 2020	Support Lunch	-400	-400.00
Total Expenses to date Mar 03, 2020			-2,957.52 (e)
Balance with H/O as at Mar 3, 2020			2,840.48 (f = d-e)
Total Council funds (Bank + H/o+ in lieu = a+f) as at Apr 3, 2020			4,807.29
Committed Funds:	None		

A **MOTION** to approve the financial statement as presented was made by Yogesh Patel, seconded by Jignesh Trivedi and **CARRIED**.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- a. Thank you for the Teacher's Appreciation Lunch that was organized for March 12th. The staff felt very special.



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- b. A lot has changed in the past month, since the school was closed due to the pandemic. We need to shift to a different way of teaching the students, from in class instruction to learning from home. Last week was spent working with the teachers on how to make the switch.
- c. Some students might have challenges with technology to use for learning from home. A survey was completed by students and parents. Mr. Lamb gathered the information for the high school and connected with 8 families who borrowed Chromebooks to continue their learning.
- d. Before spring break, students were given the opportunity to pick up belongings and textbooks. Any who missed that chance were able to come in Monday and Tuesday of this week to do so.
- e. A sad consequence of the current situation was the directive made by Alberta Education to reduce funding for support staff by 14%. At the high school, it was necessary to temporarily lay off all office staff except Lynn Masikewich, the ESL support staff and Marc Halas, the librarian for May and June. Many important tasks in preparation for September happen in May and June and the admin must try to take care of them.
- f. It was decided to continue with the scholarship program. The date for submitting applications was changed to April 21st. There may not be a graduation ceremony, so it will be necessary to communicate to winners that they won.
- g. The building is closed for everyone apart from 1 administrator. Teachers may enter the building if they find it necessary, they just need to follow social distancing.
- h. The diploma and PAT exams have been cancelled.
- i. Communication to parents regarding core courses was sent to parents on Monday.
- j. Electives are continuing unless they cannot be taught at home. If a student is short of credits this year, the principal has been given permission to approve the assessment of between 1 and 15 credits.
- k. The Board is still working on how to handle testing and assessments. This will be discussed at a meeting on Thursday and the decisions will be communicated to parents afterwards. Teachers have been told not to do any testing for the next two weeks to get a routine established.
- l. It was necessary to cancel the graduation ceremony scheduled for June 29th. We would have lost large deposits if we had not done so. The grad committee is exploring other options in possibly fall or early winter. Lynn Masikewich has been asked to tentatively book venues.
- m. The staff have been working very hard and there is hope that all will be okay. Bharati is very proud of the staff and there have been letters of support from parents.
- n. There have been questions regarding fees paid for electives and bussing. Field trips are being cancelled and it will be determined how much this translates for each family. The Board will be deciding what to do with these fees.
- o. Other schools have put council meetings on hold. We need to decide what to do about the AGM and meetings. Yogesh will email ASC about what to do about council meetings and AGM. Jignesh will also contact AGLC about meeting requirement for the Society.

STUDENT UNION REPORT

None



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TEACHER'S REPORT

Everything has been covered in the Principal's Report.

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

- a. We had discussed a grad gift. This will be looked at again in the future when we have been idea of what is going on.

FUNDRAISING

- a. Yogesh has not gotten any information about tickets sold for the Calgary Flames fundraiser. He will try to touch base again.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

NEXT MEETING

May 5, 2020 at 7:00 pm. This meeting might be cancelled or rescheduled due to the current pandemic situation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm.