

Fogo Island Central Academy

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School Council Minutes

June 18th, 2020 - Google Meet (4:00 - 5:00)

1. Welcome/Call to Order: 4:08, Debbie seconded
Pauline, Ashley, Debbie, Trevor, Jen, Tyler, Tracey, Susan, Maxine
2. Adoption of Agenda: 4:09, Pauline seconded
3. Adoption of Minutes (February 2020): Trevor motioned to adopt, Debbie seconded
Business arising from minutes:
 - Constable Bever was going to come into the grade six classroom this Spring to speak to the class on drug and alcohol awareness. This can take place in the new school year.
 - Maxine would like to have a notice put up in the Depot for donations; she will reach out to Catherine Hoven for a social media post
 - High School Gymnasium - company came out to work on repairs on the gymnasium ceiling. The work is done and the drywall will be replaced. The ceiling is structurally sound.
 - Parking - work is expected to happen over the summer but it may not be a priority due to the restrictions that we are under
 - Lions Club telethon - tabled to a later date.
 - Gender neutral washroom - tabled to a later date with more pressing issues currently at play
 - Use of skidoos - RCMP did presentations with the students (7-12). It was well received and good discussions occurred. Also resulted in less complaints being received at the school level and the RCMP upped their patrols.
 - Mental health and wellness day - was supposed to occur this Spring. A program was arranged that would teach the students and they would be the

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facilitators. Kathryn Penton was the point of contact for this program.

(Community Addictions Prevention Mental Health Promotion Fund)

- Teacher appreciation was well received and very much appreciated.
- School payment options - for the amount coming in and in alignment with the finance policy it really wasn't effective for our school. Became problematic for balancing accounts and making sure the proper monies were in the correct accounts. This can be further looked into moving forward during COVID times.

4. Old Business

- Gender Neutral Washroom: motion to table to a later date; seconded by Debbie
- Parking - motion to table to a later date; seconded by Ashely
- Recycling - Maxine would like to have a notice put up in the Depot for donations; she will reach out to Catherine Hoven for a social media post

5. New Business

- HS Gymnasium

We do have the old ceiling removed and is ready to be repaired. During the most recent inspection, it was noted that the basketball net is fastened to the ceiling (not properly attached). We have two options: Remove it permanently or replace it properly; get an engineer come out to make arrangements to fix. Funding would have to be secured and the timeline on this will be 1-2 years. Discussion revolved around options to potentially use the gym with a freestanding basketball net; the high school gymnasium has a viewing area if we are hoping to host any tournaments; school council felt strongly that we will proceed with having the engineer come out and having the net fixed correctly as this is a valuable asset for our school to have.

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- No Midterm Pilot

This is the third year for this pilot. We are slated to begin this pilot in the fall. Teachers have expressed their interest and the benefit of this. With greater time to focus on learning and no loss of instructional time. The pilot program has been well received throughout the province. FICA will be proceeding ahead with this for September 2020.

- Scholarships

Graduating students can be considered to be awarded a scholarship at the end of the year. The unique thing about this year is that we have two sets of marks. Some scholarships are based on grades, administration is looking for guidance on which set of marks we should be using to make these informed decisions (March marks or June marks). Discussion revolved around advantages/disadvantages students had. Consensus was that we will use March as our baseline.

6. Business Arising

- Open Discussion

What will September look like?? Tony Stack outlined the following:
Firm medical advice, equipping teachers/students, with tech, curriculum expectations. With low levels of COVID19 the ideal situation would be to return to the classroom in some shape or form....could be a blended model of learning with some level of face to face; will vary from school to school; and region to region. Second wave will entail virtual learning; we will be shifting from learning at home to online learning. Safety of staff and students, social emotional needs of staff and students, technology, reaching the vulnerable; outside groups coming in?? **Trevor will check into this with the director**

7. Date of Next Meeting

- August 6th, 2020 @ 4:00pm

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8. Adjournment @5:29; Ashley seconded

