

FP WALSH SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

December 16th, 2020 - Starts at 7pm

<https://meet.google.com/hxa-xzbf-krh>

Presenter	Topic	Duration
Vice-Chair Niesje Vanden Dool	Introductions and discuss zoom format	5mins
Principal Chad Jensen	Updates including: On line learning/tech/technique; <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Jan. 4 all students including gr. 6 will be online learning for one week● Jan. 11 return to in-person learning is still planned until we hear differently● Dec. 18 is deadline for parents to commit to programing re online vs. in-person for semester II come February● Athletics is once again on hold● Staffing Changes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Sherri Terpstra = Learning Commons & FNMI-addition of 2 new EAs-return of Ashton Ashley from maternity leave	30 mins

-Dan Orr & Celestine Twigg will finish at the end of semester I

- Band program for grades 9-12 during Flex will be re-introduced in semester II
- grad requirements re impact of COVID:
 - online learning carries same expectations as in-person classes
 - class schedules remain the same
 - devices have been loaned to any student who needed
 - academic counselling is on-going for scholarships and applications to post-secondary education

Provincial Exams;

- No PATS & Diplomas are optional
- If students choose to write, Diplomas will be counted for 30% of the final mark of the course

You Tube Channel/how to access virtual talent show.

- Friday – virtual assembly & talent show will be shared with classes through Google Classrooms/Meets

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Friday – grade 6s & staff will “share” a meal thanks to Blair, Marlene, & crew ● Student Leadership is extremely active online (Instagram @fpwalshe) and in the school ● *Slideshow of pics showing tech happening in classrooms for online learning ● *Demo of Kahoot ● QUESTION: Won’t university and such judge the students if they do not take the diplomas? -ANSWER: All universities & colleges (exception of York in Ontario) have said they will use their school-based mark for entry to post-secondary institutions <p>Ask parents to suggest future topics for information and discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	
LRSD Board Chair Lori Hodges	School Division Update	15 mins
Teacher/Secretary Michelle MacMillan	<p>Teacher Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From Learning Support: We invited 9 students at Walshe and 8 at Crossroads 	10 mins

to continue working face to face under the AB Government's exempt status. Our numbers are down significantly at Crossroads and have only 4 at Walshe who took us up on the invite to continue at school until January 8.

- **From Graham MacBean:**

We will have the talent show on Friday, and I will send out a YouTube link. Students can share with their families or you can send it to whomever you wish.

- **From Fran Doyle:**

My students are learning a lot about technology. It seems I have assumed that because they know how to "Twitter face" that they know everything however, they do not. Therefore, they are learning new skills like how to email, and how to add attachments to emails. The skill that they are demonstrating very well is being tech polite. In my classes, their Mics are off until needed, etc.

Moreover, when the tech isn't working, they are mostly finding “work arounds”. And finally, they are patient with me and my tech.

- **From Career Counsellor:**

- *Career Events for Students calendar is located under career services - virtual events ranging from career exploration to post secondary tours

- *Scholarship information is being sent to students as well as listed on the website

- *In planning - Virtual Career sessions, these will be based on student interest. The first one being built is Careers in the Film Industry.

- *Building a Human Library - List of careers and contacts willing to talk to students (Informational interviews) or participate in career presentations/info sessions. Are you willing to share your career, experience, education,

	<p>pros/cons and future? Send me an email bazellc@lrsd.ab.ca or call 403-682-9711.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From Kelly Farrier: Things are going really well in grade 7. Attendance has been really good compared to last year's online experience. Kids seem pretty happy and able to navigate the technology challenges they're facing. We're actually really proud of them for navigating through this Covid world, for asking questions and for completing their work. They're doing really well, all things considered. 	
<p>Walshe School Council Vice-Chair Niesje Vanden Dool</p>	<p>Fundraising update and outdoor space development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Success in community foundation grant approval for \$15, 000!! ● Total funds raised = approx.. \$50, 000 ● High confidence that we will have basketball courts built by spring <p>*Particip-action research study: - Daily Physical Exercise commitment: Has there been a</p>	<p>15 mins</p>

	<p>full sponsorship this program at the school and/or division level? CHAD RESPONSE: Program has been in effect for a while. Our grades 6-9 have 30 mins. of phys. ed. per day. Health & wellness initiative is being explored throughout the school for both staff and students.</p>	
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Next Meeting Dates – Jan 20, Feb 24, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16.
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