

## October RkPS School Council Meeting Minutes

Monday Oct 16,2023 @ 6:00 pm

### **Attendance**

Present - Laura, Tamara, Amy, Jay, Tina, Trevor, Kimberly, Christie, Justine, Leslie, Ashley W, Jen, Cecile, Lee-Anne

Absent - Shannon B, Ashley D, Matt D, Sarah C, Nikita C

**Welcome** - Tina welcomed everyone to the meeting at 6:01

**Previous meeting minutes** September 25,2023 - Motioned by Tina. Approved by Trevor.

**Council Action items** - Tina gave rundown of current events coming up.

- Christmas Treasure sale - will be held Dec 11-13,2023 Request for community use to be submitted for setup Dec 10. Need donations of items, bags, wrapping for this event. Request Sparky the fire dog come as well as volunteer fire fighters,
- Halloween dance - October 20,2023 - held at RDHS - 6:00-8:00pm Cecile to change commander board in front of school to announce event.
- Rockland Christmas Parade - no interest
- Liability insurance - Lisa Hunt from UCDSB to add our school on
- Pro Grant - will need ideas for project submission, normal deadline is end of January. Brainstorm and bring ideas to next meeting.
- Gym Mats purchase - \$2500 earmarked from last year's funds to purchase mats. Tina to reach out to Ms Helgason to see if mats still needed and to order.
- Purdy chocolate's fundraiser ongoing, Christmas delivery timeline.
- Asked for any new ideas for fundraising, open to suggestions.
- Calendar of events to be shared next meeting, bring forth ideas to add.

**Treasurer Report** - Trevor - \$7104 carried over from last year. Book sale Oct 2-3,2023 - \$307 made. Total at \$7411

**Teacher Update** - Cecile

- Facebook feedback - looks great and keeping followers "in the know"
- Intramurals starting - Dodgeball November
- Cross Country Qualifiers held recently.
- Pumpkin Carving
- Science of reading starting in French - helping with literacy improvements
- American Sign Language starting in kindergarten.

- We Scare Hunger food drive - Rockland Food bank recipient.
- Exploring collaboration with Full Belly's program in Rockland - possibly support by purchasing snack bin items.

**Principal's Report - Christie**

- **Learning Teams** - baseline data collection and SETs providing Tier 2 Interventions  
Recommendation has been sent in for Financial Advisor and ELL instructor  
RkPS Bullying and Prevention and Intervention Plan - require a few volunteers to assist in creating plan, email Christie
- Hot lunch program -currently not equipped to implement, would either need to be run by parent volunteers or third party provider. Jay to check with Rockland Pizza, Leslie to check with "The Lunch Lady" business
- School Rejuvenation, Subcommittee formed Lee-Anne & Jay. painting, murals , stage curtain
- School Profile - 2021-2022 Results

**Grade 3 Student Achievement**

Percentage of students achieving provincial standard	RkPS	Province English students	Province French students
Reading	52%	73%	81%
Writing	45%	65%	67%
Math	33%	59%	67%

**Grade 6 Student Achievement**

Percentage of students achieving provincial standard	RkPS	Province English students	Province French students
Reading	69%	85%	97%
Writing	60%	84%	80%
Math	18%	47%	50%

**Student population same time period - 2021-2022**

Percentage of school aged children who live in lower income households - RkPS 9%

- Province 17.7%

Percentage of students who receive special education services - RkPS 19%

- Province 16.3%

Report shows areas of opportunity in reading, writing and math. Scores have been shared with teaching staff. Teachers are currently completing reading assessments on all students and reporting results back to Christie. Firm commitment given to improve these metrics and staff is on board. Reading assessments to be completed by October 18, 2023.

**Next meeting date** - November 21, 2023, 6:00 pm

**Adjourned** 7:32