

## **RkPS School Council Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday November 21<sup>st</sup> 2023**

**Virtual - 6pm**

### **Attendance:**

- **Present:** Tina Tietz, Shannon Boucher, Trevor Tietz, Christie W, Jennifer R, Kimberley Cote, Cecile Embree, Leslie Logan, Laura Hunt, Yasmine Benotm, Justine Joseph, Ashley W.

**Absent:** Jay Woodruff, Sarah C, Nikita C, Lee-Anne Dundon, Matt D, Ashleigh D, Mike W,

**Welcome:** 6:03pm

**Previous Meeting Minutes** October 16<sup>th</sup> - motioned by approved by

### **Treasurer Report:**

After \$2500 spent on gym mats = \$4911.53

+ Movie Night \$1232.45 (still have to negate popcorn)

Balance: \$6143.98

### **Halloween Dance**

Great turnout, Awesome Set up at Highschool. And Amazing Volunteers!

Profit 1232.45 still have to take out popcorn. 600+ food donations.

### **Movie Night November 23<sup>rd</sup> :**

- Over 250 people will be in attendance. Volunteers are all set up Mr. Stewart will help Shannon set up tech. Pizza has been ordered from River Pizza.
- Looking into translation options for our ESL families to make sure they can understand the form.

### **Treasure Sale Dec 11, 12 & 13**

- Huge need of volunteers
- Laura is still waiting for her criminal record check otherwise would love to volunteer.
  - o Since it is in the works Christie said she is able to volunteer
- Ashley Wenzl will be able to volunteer Dec 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Cecile suggested we have the teachers send to their parents to request volunteers
- Kate will make a list of volunteer list of ones we have already.
  - o We can send out an email to those that have them.
- RDHS students who could do an hour and a half at the end of the day.

### **Teacher Update**

- Rockland Facebook Page has been on the ball with updates
- Grade 6s have been doing a lot
  - o Boston Puizza \$841
  - o War Museum
  - o Soles for Souls
    - Gently used shoes
- Dodgeball
- FireSafety this week
- Remembrance Day ceremony Mr. Gallagher guest Speaker
- WITS
- Establishing good connections with the community
- Grade 1 & Grade 6 are going to go and knock on doors within the community to encourage more participation
- Spirit Days
- Carolling Outside 2 days with Cecile Dec 6 & 7
- Choir is going to the Old Age Home for some Christmas Festivities
- Good, Positive Atmosphere
- Leadership throughout the grades, snack helpers etc.

### **Principal Message**

- Teachers are sending in lots of photos and write-ups to share on the Facebook page
- Newsletter going out to make sure open lines of communication
- Learning
  - o Stats September: reading and Math
    - Goal 90% of students will be reading
    - Literacy
      - 35% of our school is Above or Meets
      - 18% Approaching
      - 47% not there yet

- Math
  - 28 % at or above
  - 24% approaching
  - 47% not there yet
- Lots of great data from Student Voice
  - Students are worried about being bullied at school
    - 1 out of 3 kids
- Literacy is focusing on UFly
  - Parent piece will be going home
  - Special Education Teacher to help close the gap
- Math : KnowledgeHook
  - Board paid for licences
- Social/Emotional Development Everyday Speech
- Student Voice group wants to really focus on WITS, meaning and implement throughout the school, to help resolve conflicts
  - Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it Out & Seek Help
- The board is highlighting our school. Some videos will be taken during Treasure Sale with students speaking, Christie and have a quick clip of Tina and Shannon talk about School Council and what we do at RkPS

### **Hot Lunch**

- we had to postpone hot lunch due to logistics.
- we need a coordinator to take the lead, run the program, organize the volunteers, work with online payment
- Cost was an issue with our families and need to have online payments up and running
- Hot Dogs/Pizza maybe in the new year.

### **Pro Grant**

#### ***Applications are due by Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 2023***

Some ideas:

- Multicultural Festival, Literacy Night, Healthy Eating
- we need a small group to get involved to take this on
- Christie to reach out to Nikita about the multicultural event.

### **Requests**

- Ms. Crone is advocating for the kinder yard, would like to have something done to the kinder yard. Cecile will get some details of what they have in mind.

- Food Cycler is the company that provided us with Food Composter for the scraps after snacks.
  - Cecile has reached out to see if we can get more for our school to do indoor food composting. Maybe we can keep this on our radar for initiatives.
  - If anyone is interested for their personal home it is \$300 for the machine.
- Stage Curtain, Christie will look into supplier for that and their cost.
- Maybe get some ideas from the Grade 6s to see what they would like to leave as their legacy for school improvement.

### **Purdy's**

Closes tomorrow Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>

Will post on FB Final reminder

So far at \$1300 in sales about \$350 in profit

### **What's next:**

Valentine's Day Dance in Feb.

West Coast Seeds Jan ends in February

Do we want to do a Pancake Breakfast for families

- After march Break is being planned for a few classes
- maybe we can extend to include the whole school

**Next Meeting** Tuesday Jan 16<sup>th</sup>

**Adjourned** 7:02pm