

Rockway School Council

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Present: Krista Faw, Alison Cass, Amanda Davis, Bobbie Chatha, Shanna Hartman, Suzanna Duta, Emily Lovelace, Julianne Amaral, Vicki McLellan, Karen McGuire, Debbie Rohan

1. Welcome and Introductions - Motion to pass the minutes from the March meeting. Passed by Vicki and seconded by Suzanna.

2. Principal's Report :

SCIS - Bobbie shared about the Safe Caring and Inclusive School survey as it was sent home with students in the past week. One of the things this committee has organized was the singing of "Oh Canada" outside with parents and the community followed by an assembly raising awareness about bullying. Please take the time to fill out the 5-10 minute survey. There will also be an opportunity at the Marketplace to fill it out and earn 5 extra tickets. Grade 3,4,5 students in the school will also be filling out the survey. The results will help with future planning for the committee.

Principal's Profile - this will be completed at the May School Council meeting. This Profile will go through what we have done as council and what we need to look at the following year.

Incident Report - there was an incident at the school and the police were called. We were all assured that the students were all safe. There are drills in place for incidents such as this.

Staffing - At this point we do have the numbers so that we can potentially keep all of our contract teachers. We do also have the numbers to have 3 kindergarten classrooms. Someone will be hired to cover Betsy Pawson's LTO. It is not yet decided which teachers will teach which grades. Decisions are always made in the best interest of the students.

3. Staff Report - in the last weeks the staff has gotten together and learned how to make Indian food as well as rock-climbing. These have been great team building exercises.

4. Fundraising - Marketplace will be held April 27th - 5:30-7:30. There are 21 confirmed vendors and some parents have volunteered for the baked goods. The raffle prizes for the baskets are starting to trickle in. Flyers were given out for people to post. Please be strategic about when they go out - approximately 1 week before to the day before. Next steps: please spread the word!

5. Tools for Life Workshop: Jamie shared information and resources about the program as well let us know about a "School-Issue Parent Support Group" run by Waterloo Region Family Network. Also, she is available to Rockway students/staff/families on Wednesday mornings.

6. Closing Remarks - Motion to adjourn - Passed by Vicki and seconded by Suzanna.

Next meeting: May 10th, 2017