

Rockway School Council

February 8, 2017

Present: Svitlana Smith, Carlos Costa, Ashley Weare, Christine Lacelle, Vadsana Kalavona, Shanna Halstead, Ashley Gardner, Susanne Akimov, Suzana Duta, Dana Bodnari, Hanna Naumenko, Emily Lovelace, Alison Cass, Bobbie Chatha, Desiree Hinsperger, Julianne Amaral

1. Principal's Report and School Updates:

- New Staff Updates: Heather Ellis has started at maternity leave and Johnny Roberts will covering the leave. Two new DECEs have also been hired. Mrs. Pawson has also started her maternity leave and Mr Dyck will be covering her leave. Mrs. Klassen has now started as well.
 - Math Updates: Ministry Support/Family Math Night - March 2nd
 - please bring your family and enjoy the night! There will be lots of games and prizes.
 - What is a Number String? A 10-15 minute lesson to help children learn their number fluency. Bobbie shared a video of a sample number string lesson
 - Dreambox continues to be used for purposeful practice
 - Report Cards (New Kindergarten Report - Communication of Learning) - reports will be coming home February 17th.
 - Communication of Learning - supports the Play Based Learning curriculum and will hopefully be more helpful for parents
 - Parking Concerns - so far newsletters have reminded families to park in the proper spots. Bylaw officers have been asked to come and help ensure the safety of the students. No one should be parking in the apartments across the street either. Please walk if you can. Spread the word. Parents voiced a concern about the backyard stairs - Bobbie indicated there is a work order in place to have them taken care of.
 - Anxiety Workshop for Parents - 8:45am-9:30am - Wed. Feb. 22. Jamie Kaiser our Resource Worker will be presenting on trauma. For more information please contact Bobbie.
2. Staff Report - Valentine's Day is this month and there is a focus on "Put-Ups". Miss Hoppenroth is doing work in each classroom on this topic. Each student will have the chance to buy Candygrams this week for 25 cents each. The hope is that the students will focus on the spirit of giving.
- Earth Rangers visited Rockway yesterday. A great interactive lesson about protecting the wildlife!
 - today Erick Traplin came for the kindies and Grade 1 students

3. Fundraising by School Council

- Marketplace - Thursday, April 27th

-more vendors are definitely needed! We are looking for sales reps for the many companies. It will cost \$35 per table and a donated raffle item (to be given ahead of time). Watch for an e-mail for volunteer roles.

- Raffle prizes will be awarded at the end of the night - so stay until the end of the night to claim your prize!

4. A motion was made to pass the minutes from the last meeting. Passed by Christine and seconded by Suzanna.

5. A motion was also made to adjourn the meeting. Passed by Christine and then seconded by Suzanna.

Next meeting: March 8, 2017 at 6pm