

Rockway School Council

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Present: Bobbie Chatha, Christine Lacelle, Desiree Hinsperger, Julianne Amaral, Amanda Davis, Alison Cass, Ashely Gardner, Shanna Halstead, Emily Lovelac, Monica Miranda, Sanela Novakovic

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Principal Report and School Updates

- New Staff Members and more hiring.

Beth Klassen has been hired for the Grade 3/4 class. This is her first contract and she is very keen.

Ms. Smilkovich will be leaving Rockway and a new DECE will be hired.

- Math Updates: Family Math Night - Thursday, March 2nd - this will offer fun opportunities for parents to find out how they can support learning at home. A variety of math games will be highlighted that evening.

At every staff meeting and many PD Days there is a discussion about math. Today staff discussed student evidence and staff evidence that what they are doing is making a difference in student learning.

3. Staff Report

- The week before the break an assembly was held. Mr. Butson's class and the junior Leadership Committee addressed leadership skills and highlighted how to stay safe over the holidays. It was very cool that the assembly was translated by one student into Arabic. There was also a PJ Day held as a reward from the fundraising. And finally, there was a day that everyone came into the gym and sang holiday songs.
- There will be more Arabic children joining our school shortly and Rockway students have been so welcoming and supportive.
- There is now a rule that each child must have snow pants and boots to play on the hills and in the snow. This is to ensure comfort of the children. Extra socks/clothes are not a bad idea in the backpack. If you know of anyone who could use some help to get winter outerwear please contact the school as there have been many donations. Also, donations of clothing will also be welcome.

4. Fundraising by School Council

- Marketplace - Thursday, April 27th - 5:30-7:30pm

-Krista is the parent committee lead for the Marketplace fundraiser. Flyers will be created and also a volunteer/baking donation request. The vendor tables will be rented for \$35 and we may request raffle

donations (to be turned in in advance). If you know of any vendors that might be interested please let them know about the event. An ad on Kijiji will also be created.

There will also be raffles, baking table, face painting and tattoos.

Amanda asked for volunteers for set-up and clean-up as well as for advertising and promotion. A sign-up sheet will also be handed around at the next school council meeting. A Vendor Request Form will be coming out soon.

If you know of a family that has a child born in 2013 please let them know that it is time to register for JK. Online registration will begin on February 1st.

Bobbie made a motion to approve the minutes. Passed by Christine. Seconded by Ashely.

Bobbie made a motion to end the meeting for tonight. Passed by Christine. Seconded by Ashely.

Next meeting: February 8th, 2017 - 6pm