

Rockway School Council

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Present: Bobbie Chatha, Alison Cass, Amanda Davis, Christine Lacelle, Julianne Amaral, Desiree Hinsperger, Carlos Costa, Ashley Gardner, Debbie Rohan, Shanna Hartman, Vadsana Kalawong, Sanela Kasle, Vicki McLellan, Shanna Halstead, Emily Lovelace, Krista Faw

A Motion was made by Bobbie to approve the minutes from February. Passed by Christine and seconded by Carlos.

1. Principal's report

- F&CS - School Protocol - the Professional Advisory in terms of Duty to Report for Teachers, DECEs and Principals was shared with council. Parents should be clear that if teachers hear something in regards to abuse, neglect and/or maltreatment that they **must** report to F&CS. Teachers and school staff cannot do further investigation.

- Boundary Rules and Regulations - The school boundaries in this area are determined by the school board based on present attendance and also future planning. There are often boundary requested and *sometimes* they are granted based on the school numbers, class sizes (and future class sizes). Sometimes there are exceptions made for students in JK/SK. There is a request process and then principals review and make a decision.

- Kindergarten Registration - in order to keep the 3 JK/SK classrooms we need more kindergarten students to register for next year by May. Decisions for how many classes Rockway will have are made at that time. Encourage anyone in the neighbourhood with kids ready for kindergarten to get them registered. An idea of having information available at the upcoming Market Place.

- Bullying - SCIS and Article Share - "Rude vs. Mean vs. Bullying" article was shared. Tools for Life are being used to work against rude and mean behaviour. This year there has been a decrease in "blue sheets" reported to Ms. Chatha.

2. Staff Report

- Family Math Night was a huge success. Over 200 people attended and had a wonderful time. So many great moments were enjoyed! It was funded by a grant written by School Council and Mrs. Cass and Ms. Chatha.

- This month a Cooperation Assembly was put on by the Grade 1s and Mrs. Fedy's class. Parents are welcome to attend these assemblies. Keep an eye on calendars for assemblies and spread the word.

3. Fundraising by School Council (Amanda and Team of Parents)

- Market Place - Thursday, April 27th - there are still a few spots if you would like to sign up. Vendors are still definitely needed. There are many interested but we need more to commit with their \$35. A flyer will be going home after March Break for the evening and also will be asking for individually wrapped baked goods. Send in any extra shoe boxes you have for raffle tickets.

4. Jersey Mikes Subs - this new company (opening on Fairway Road) is giving each child at Rockway 2 coupons for a free sub with a \$1 (or more) donation to Rockway to be used during a 5 day window in April.

5. Closing Remarks – A motion was made by Bobbie to adjourn the meeting. Passed by Vicki and seconded by Carlos.

Future Meeting Date: April 12 at 6 pm