

Rockway School Council

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Present: Alison Cass, Tammy Warner, Bobbie Chatha, Julianne Amaral, Desiree Hinsperger, Krista Faw

Welcome

Approval of April Minutes by Tammy and seconded by Krista

Principal's Report:

Hot Dog Day (May 13th): The school will be selling the leftover hotdogs from the Marketplace. Alison could still use a few volunteers to help cook the hotdogs. This will be a bit of a trial for a possible regular "hot dog day" next year.

Parent Reaching Out Grant: Tammy and Alison are going to work on applying for this grant for next year. The SCIS committee met today and are looking for ways to reduce conflicts in the yard. This grant, if approved, would be \$1000 and could be used for equipment or "program" for positive playground etc. It needs to be completed by the end of this May for next school year.

Staff Appreciation Update: Instead of a potluck lunch for staff we may hold a beverage appreciation to serve drinks to the staff as a thank you

EQAO –On June 7th (2:20pm) an Ice Cream Celebration will be held for all students participating in the EQAU testing this year. We need volunteers to help serve this day.

June 2nd is the Open House for the new Greening Area.

The Rockway Staying Connected Facebook page is now active. This is a closed group but send a request and you can be added. It is hoped that this will increase communication in our school community.

Jump Rope for Heart went really well. The school is within \$200 of getting Ms. Chatha to kiss a pig!

Windows - We are going forward with getting new windows for the whole school. This means that teachers won't be able to get into the school until the last week, possibly weekend before Back to School.

Teacher's Report:

Volunteers are needed for Hot Dog Day as mentioned.

We really need volunteers for Nutrition For Learning which is now going to 5 days a week starting in September 2016.

In past years Strong Start has been run at Rockway. It is a 10 week session requiring very committed volunteers. Please pass on to anyone who would be interested in volunteering for next year.

There will also be a need for a paid supervisor for nutrition breaks for next year.

The play is Thursday, May 19th at 7pm. The dress rehearsal is at noon on Thursday for the other students to watch. There is no admission fee.

Market Place Fundraiser - Update

It went really well. A bit more change would be helpful for next time. Also having Tammy inside taking pictures where most people were may have been more helpful. Vendors, overall, seemed happy with the turnout but there was one group that was not as happy. Many indicated that they would return again and there have been more inquiries since. The raffle baskets worked out quite well too. Some people complained that the draws were at 7:15 and they could not stay until that time. However this kept people around looking at the vendors' tables. Approximately \$1700 was raised and the money from the sale of hotdogs this coming Friday will be added in. We can definitely consider this for an annual event due to its success.

School Council Annual Report and Principal Profile Report

Reviewed School Council Annual Report and there is a lot to celebrate.

Principal Profile: input given to complete

New Business: None

Agenda Items for Next Meeting: None

Adjourn: Krista motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Tammy.