

Regency Acres P.S.

School Council Meeting Minutes Virtual Meeting Via Videoconference April 7, 2021 7pm – 8:10pm

Participants: Kerry Grossinger, Judy Sandiford, Sandy Kennedy, Kim Davies, Sera Weiss, Claudia Velocci, Rebecca Haberman, Rodney Mooy, Jodie MacDearmid, Neelu Sahrawat

Regrets: Elena Garcia (Rojano), Brent Wonch, Janine Riley

Meeting Minutes:

Kerry opened the meeting at 7:05pm.

Sera welcomed all participants to express a message of appreciation.

Kim expressed gratitude towards Mr. Fuller and the Regency office staff's management of the Grade 8 transition this year into high school. The process was handled smoothly, which was appreciated by all parents and students.

Kerry expressed appreciation towards Sera and Rebecca for executing an excellent x-Movement event on April 6, 2021.

Sandy moved to approve the April 7, 2021 meeting agenda; Rodney seconded the motion.

Sandy moved to approve the January 21, 2021 meeting minutes; Sera seconded the motion.

New Business:

Finance Update:

Rodney confirmed that there are no expenses currently. Rodney also confirmed that there is a total of \$5,000 in savings that can be carried forward next year.

At a previous meeting, Parent Council approved the purchase of colour coded balls that will be given to each cohort. Kerry has purchased the balls and is waiting for them to be delivered. They have been paid out of the school budget, not the council budget.

Sera shared a system that has been implemented at Wellington P.S. They have set up an Angel fund that may be used on a discretionary basis (to support families in need). The general public is also able to make donations to the Angel fund. This is facilitated through a school cash online donation (parents can elect to donate funds to the Angel fund).

A discussion followed on whether or not to ask parents to donate directly to Regency in lieu of fundraising. Kerry reviewed the draft letter that was developed to support this initiative. Targeted fundraising could be applied to specific projects, such as the repaving of the tarmac (estimated expense is \$4800).

Participants reviewed the draft letter and determined that some revision is required. Rebecca volunteered to edit the letter based on a template she is familiar with. Next, the redrafted version will be shared with the fundraising committee for final approval.

Per previous discussion, \$1,000 has been set aside to support event leading up to grade 8 graduation.

Discussed continuing to pause fundraising efforts for right now. Beginning next school year, the fundraising committee will look to sell the greeting cards that were ordered and purchase this year.

School Update:

PRO Grant funding was secured to offer an X-Movement event to Regency families and surrounding community schools. Unfortunately the event was not well attended; nor was the delivery of the event aligned with the description that had been communicated with event organizers. Kerry will contact X-Movement to relay this message and determine what, if anything, can be done to make up for this disappointment.

Grade 8 Grad Photos: A communication will be shared with parents shortly to outline the plan for grade 8 grad photos. Sufficient supplies of caps and gowns have been secured for each student (they will arrive laundered). Contingency plans will be considered in the event that the schools have transitioned to virtual learning when grad photos are to take place.

Spring Break takes place April 12 – April 16. Students will be instructed to bring all belongings home for the break in the event that virtual learning is implemented after the break. Families may apply for access to tech resources in the event that we are switched to virtual learning following Spring Break.

The next meeting will take place on May 13, 2021

The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm