## RAPS School Council Minutes Meeting # 8

June 15, 2016	Regency Acres Public School 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Attendees	Lisa Leoni, Becky Knowles, Joan Lash, Lynn Pearson, Carol
(council members)	McLeod, Kim Davies, Leah Clark, Diana Moniz, Susan Roy,
	Jillian Snider, Laura Parkin, Sandy Kennedy, Gwen Al-Kas
Regrets	Karyn Sleep-Clegg, Pat Morton
Welcome 7:03	Lynn called the meeting to order.
Motion	A motion was put forward to approve the agenda by Leah and seconded by Gwen.
	A motion was put forward to approve the minutes by Susan and seconded by Gwen.
Principal's Report	Lisa thanked all council members for volunteering their time at meetings and various school events. Joan was thanked for organizing meals for the Zsebik family.
	<b>Staffing Update</b> Nicole Burt has been hired for a primary position next year. Lisa is still hiring for the Kindergarten and Community Class positions.
	School Organization Lisa is working to try to eliminate split classes as much as possible but there will still be split classes next year due to ministry caps. Currently there are 33 grade 8s for September and the ministry cap is 32, which will force a split class. Mr. Lanning will be teaching Intermediate Makerspace next year and the school has ordered a "green screen" and other technology to get this program running. Mr. Fuller will be teaching Junior music next year and \$8000 in Orff instruments have been ordered.
	<b>School Musical</b> Regency will be entering a new partnership with Broadway North Youth Theatre group for next year's musical, Camp Rock The musical will be open to students in grades 4-8 and auditions will take place in September.
	<b>School Pictures</b> Lifetouch will be responsible for school pictures next year.
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	Lisa reported that EQAO went well this year. Students will receive their individual results in the fall. School results will be shared with the school community in the fall once the school has had a chance to review and analyze them.
	<b>Dress Code</b> The dress code was reviewed with all students. Students who are not following dress code will be asked to change or be provided with a gym uniform to wear.
	<b>Curriculum Night</b> Curriculum Night is scheduled for Thursday, October 6. There will be a BBQ for parents to purchase on-site (no pre- orders needed).
	<b>2016/17 Parent Leads</b> A new council position has been created for next year: Chair, Healthy Schools, Food & Fitness There are already parent leads in place for most of the fundraisers, food & fitness activities that will fall under this position, as well as, Chair Fundraising. The parent leads will report to the Chairs. There will be a treat day (Booster Juice or Yogurt) once per month next year. Lynn has passed on a Pita Pit contact to Karyn Clegg.
	Sandy asked what would happen if nobody stepped up to fill the new role. Joan explained that there is an expectation that if you are interested in joining council as a voting member l, you are supportive of stepping in to an executive position if need be.
	Due to the installation of the gym scoreboard, Regency will now be able to host tournaments, and gain additional revenue by doing so. As a result there will be a concession stand set up for tournaments.
Staff Report	Becky thanked everyone on behalf of the staff for providing a lunch after Mrs.Zsebik's passing. It was nice for the staff to be able to come together after a difficult week.
Financial Report	Carol reviewed the most up to date financial report. Some changes were made to the report to accommodate the Makerspace budget. The expected spending for the year totaled \$63 938.00 with the actual spending totaling \$50 794.00. There is still some spending that has not been added to this total as the report is dated May 30. Lisa explained that council is allowed to carry over some

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	fundraising money if there is a specific plan in place for the money (e.g., Makerspace).
	Carol explained that the actual fundraising total this year was \$35 000.00 with the remainder of the spending coming from the merging of several other accounts. This was a one- time thing and council should not expect the same level of spending going forwards.
	This year we received grants totaling \$4800.00 and had charitable donations of over \$2000.00. The opening balance for September is approximately \$4500.00 and next year's fundraising plan is approximately \$45 000.00.
	Lynn thanked Carol for all of her work on the financial report this year and making the report easy to read and understand.
	Lynn would like to send a Thank you card to all of the parents who helped with the creation of the butterfly garden. A lot of work was put into the garden and it looks great.
	Lisa reported that the kindergarten space will be receiving two awnings to provide shade.
Fundraising Report	<b>Cardinal Golf</b> Cardinal Golf offers a free program where they will come to the school to promote golf. This is similar to the cricket program in which the students participated. Cardinal will provide all of the equipment and each class will get an opportunity to participate.
	They also offer a fundraiser where half of the cost of mini golf is donated back to the school as a fundraiser. This fundraising program only takes place in May and September. It was suggested to promote it similar to a ski night as well as advertising in the school newsletter. The plan is to have 'learn to golf program' in April and then run the fundraiser in May.
Other Business	<b>Constitution</b> The constitution was amended to add the new chair position. Motion was approved by Lynn and seconded by Gwen.

	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Joan thanked the members for their dedication, professionalism and hard work this year. She commented on how successful the year had been and the many positive things that council was able to contribute to students and the school. Joan thanked Lisa and the administration for their support of council. Everyone has contributed to benefit our students. Joan & Lisa gave gifts to the "graduating" council members (Sue, Laura, Gwen & Lynn) and retiring teacher rep (Becky).
Meeting Adjourned	8:27
Next Meeting	Wednesday, September 21 @ 7:00 p.m.