

Regency Acres P.S.

School Council Meeting Minutes Virtual Meeting Via Zoom October 4, 2021 7pm – 9:00pm

Participants: Mrs. Grossinger, Judy, Sera, Cara, Megan, Jodie, Claudia, Janine, Brendt, Rodney, Rebecca, Cheryl, Vanessa, Jackie, Mina, Maryam, Kathleen, Janice

Kerry opened the meeting at 7:03 pm by welcoming everyone to the 2021-22 School Council.

Sera began with appreciation, Rodney and Brendt added appreciations as well.

The Land Acknowledgement was read.

Rebecca volunteered to take minutes for the meeting, until a secretary was nominated.

Virtual Meeting Guidelines:

Kerry reviewed the "Virtual Meeting Norms" that participants are expected to adhere to:

- Cameras may be turned on or off (optional)
- Please mute your microphone to minimize noise
- The chat function may be used to post questions to the moderator
- Ideas are to be shared respectfully
- There is value in all voices and different perspectives
- Exercise patience and flexibility

Agenda Review:

Sera welcomed all participants. Kerry shared the agenda.

Action Item: For now, the last School Council meeting minutes are not yet approved.

2021 – 2022 School Council Elections:

Sera extended a warm welcome to all participants, and explained the various positions.

The following positions were confirmed for the 2021-2022, Regency Acres Parent Council:

Chair and Co-Chair: Sera and Brendt

Fundraising Co-Chairs: Claudia & Janine

Secretary: Kathleen

Treasurer: Rodney

Healthy Schools: Rebecca

Regency Teacher Representative: Ms. Sahrawat

Regency Staff Representative: Judy

Members at Large: Mina, Cheryl, Jackie, Sandy, Jodi and Vanessa

Kerry reviewed future School Council meeting dates: All meetings will be on a Thursday at 7pm

December 2, January 20, March 3, May 5, June 16

Financial Report:

2020-2021 Finance Report:

Rodney confirmed that there is approximately a \$4,200 surplus that will be carried forward from last year.

Claudia and Janine have set up two fundraising accounts: 1) Mabel's Labels; 2) Fundscrip both of which is only bringing in approx. \$140 combined

Rodney reviewed past fundraising ideas. Anything related to food is on hold. Kerry to look into what is definitely not allowed versus what may be allowed

The fundraising committee ordered Big Box cards last year. Due to COVID, this promotion is temporarily on pause and will be resumed in the Spring.

The council, after much discussion, voted to try the fundraising letter to raise money for the tarmac revitalization. The letter is under review and will be going out after Thanksgiving.

Kerry to look into picture day and other outdoor possibilities, including skating.

School Update:

Kerry provided a school update on class sizes, staff changes, and health and safety protocols.

The in-person school population is currently at approximately 290 students; approximately 10 students have opted for virtual learning.

Oct 7 will be virtual curriculum night. More information to come.

Discussed PEAC – Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee – information found on YRDSB website and to support school councils, PEAC members have launched a quarterly newsletter called <u>Engagement Matters</u>.

Policy #238 Parent, Family and Community Engagement and Policy #262, School Councils are currently under review until November 1, 2021. Parents and families can read the policies and provide feedback using two separate Google forms on the <u>policy and review webpage</u>

Closing Notes:

The next Regency School Council meeting will take place on December 2, 2021. Sera and Kerry thanked everyone for participating this evening.

Brendt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:57pm; Rebecca seconded the motion.