Rockton Elementary School Parent Council Meeting Thursday September 28th 2023 7 p.m.

Attendees: Danielle Ciccarelli, Tanya Brower, Kim Albers, Melanie Cassan, John Manzin, Leanne Halford, Ashlie Ferguson, Jen Hay, Robin Tilbury, Alicia Carpenter, Mary-Anne Somerville, Lindsay Plumstead, Niki Gerritsen, Jamie Owens, Lindsay Bouwmeester, Anne- Marie Nyburg, Brooke Luke, Jessica Seaton. Barb Miller- Firman, Laura Collins, Allison Swlthorp, Jen Krebzs, Kathi Lesizk, Katherine Bennett, Nicole Mantel. Amanda Ashford, Jenny Hutcheson,

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u> Nicole Mantel approved the agenda, and Niki Gerritson 2nd the approval.

<u>Approval of May 2022 Minutes:</u> Jen Hay approved the May Minutes, and Leanne Halford 2^{nd} the approval.

<u>Nominations & Elections:</u> Tanya Brouwer & Danielle Ciccarelli were nominated and accepted the positions of Co-Chairs. Melanie Cassan was nominated and accepted the position of Treasurer. Kim Albers was nominated and accepted the position of Secretary.

Co-Chairs: Tanya Brouwer & Danielle Ciccarelli

Secretary: Kim Albers

Treasurer: Melanie Cassan

Treasurers Report

Approx. \$15,503.98 starting balance

Chairs Report

Subway: Will start in November.

<u>Pizza Day:</u> Starts October 18th forms due October 2nd no late order accepted.

<u>School Spirit Wear:</u> Will run after Thanksgiving and will wrap up second week of November and be at the school and ready for distribution before Christmas. What is available: Shorts, Track pants, Hoodies, T shirts, Hats. Recommended to size up with ordering for your child.

Pumpkin Sale: Ends September 28th, 236 large orange pumpkins sold and just over 240 white pumpkins sold.

Pick up will be 330-5pm at Beverly Arena

Turkey Skate: December 14th - Mark your calendars!

Danielle Ciccarelli & Melissa Nimijohn running committee, along with Jen Hay, Jen Blithe, Michelle Roswell & Julie Bragdon.

Will need volunteers. All volunteers will need Vulnerable Sector to attend, recommended to complete ASAP.

Fundraising Committee:

Meets a few times a year, will decide on which fundraisers to run at the school, allocate funds.

Jamie, Jen, Alicia, Kathy, Katherine & Jen K.

<u>Nutrition Program - Nutrition Program</u> started Friday. Run by Tanya & Sandra Hanes as well as Grade 6 students. Will run 2 day a week, Monday and Friday mornings. Great variety of food choices for everyone. If students need additional snack, they can get one from the office.

Copetown Minor Baseball & Copetown Lions are hosting their second annual Halloween Dance on October 28th, they will be donating \$1000 from their event to the school.

Rockton Lions donated \$2500 to the school from our spring open house.

Principals Report:

Welcome Mr. Manzin!

Principal role to share updates, news, operations of the school, challenges that may be happening at school, learning plan, and what it looks like. What teachers are working on.

Update from later year:

School currently at 501 students

21 classes and 40 staff.

2 Shade Structures for kindergarten area have been approved, working to get quotes and get installed.

Soccer Nets: looking at portable nets that can be moved around, need board approval.

Sewer Grate: getting plugged with wood chips, it has been cleaned out and will continue to monitor.

Need access to school yard to clean snow in the winter, need gate and road access.

Communication from office will come from School Messenger and Email.

Teachers Report-Lindsay Plumstead

Cross Country - Grades 3-8, we have 60 members.

Meet is Thursday Oct 12th at Christies Conservation. Forms coming home soon.

Jr Swim Team (grades 3-5) met for try outs on Friday sept 29th.

No date yet for meet but will likely fall Oct 30th - Nov 3rd at either 9am or 1pm. Please watch for updates on that.

Students in grades 1-3 went to Ancaster Fair and everything had a lot of fun checking out the exhibits and shows. Thank you to the Volunteers who helped make the trip possible.

Starting Oct 2nd all students will be cycling through Junglesport that will take place in our gym. Everyone is very excited about it. Thank you to our Parent Council for their supporting it with their generous donations.

Congratulations to all our 3 Pitch Teams.

Recycling Club has started open to grade 4 & 5 students, has had a great response.

Mr. Stewart is running a Dungeons & Dragons club for grades 7 & 8 and will run on Nutrition breaks.

Leadership will be starting in October.

Next Meeting -

Meeting Dates for 2023/2024

November 9th at 7:00 pm

February 15th at 7:00 pm

May 9th at 7:00 pm

If you are interested in attending and wish to be added to the email list, please email the co-chairs directly at rocktonsc@hwdsb.on.ca