

**Rockton Elementary School  
School Council Meeting  
Thursday November 14th  
6:30pm**

**Attendees:** Danielle Ciccarelli, Tanya Brouwer, Kim Albers, Melanie Cassan, Jessica Seaton, Tasha Maier, Robin Tilbury, Leanne Halford, Mar-Anne Somerville, Jen Hay, Jen Krebsz, Jenny Hutcheson, Jaime Owens, Leanne Tovey, Ashlie Ferguson, Alicia Carpenter, Lindsay Bouwmeester, Melissa Nimijohn, Cassi Brunsveld, Bre Paszkat,

**Approval of Agenda:** Robin approved the agenda, and Jaime 2<sup>nd</sup> the approval.

**Approval of September Minutes:** Jen approved the September Minutes, and Tasha 2<sup>nd</sup> the approval.

**Treasurers Report**

25,000 profit so far, pizza money and sub money will still need to come out of that total.

Pumpkin fundraiser \$425

Pizza Day \$13,950 this total will go down each week as we move further into this first round.

Sub Day \$8238 this total will go down each week as we move further into this first round.

**Chairs Report**

**Movie Night-** we will have our first movie night November 28<sup>th</sup>  
2 movies showing Despicable Me 4 and The Grinch (2018)

**Open House** – A spring carnival has been proposed to happen during the Spring Open house, more information to come on this as the committee continues to gather ideas. Would include a fundraiser element as well as “just for fun” element.

**Poinsettias-** Available to purchase! SCO closes December 5<sup>th</sup> and Delivery date will be December 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Turkey Skate** – 48<sup>th</sup> year!! Wednesday December 4<sup>th</sup>. Planning in full force, Volunteers are still needed!

Schedule for the day will be available soon. We are really looking forward to this yearly tradition and appreciate everyone's help! Thank you to Danielle and Melissa for all their hard work!

**Pizza** – First week went smoothly, there were no issues to report.

It is very important that after you pay on SCO that you fill out the pizza form and hand in. Forms are needed to match to SCO to ensure everyone gets their pizza.

**Subway** – First sub day went smoothly as well.

Again it is particularly important that you fill out all the form for each week you paid for and submit to the school. Forms are needed so we can send them to subway. This round we had a lot of missing forms.

**Nutrition Program** – We have used up most of our Snack Program money for 2024 that gets donated to us from the Hamilton Tastebuds.

We will get more funding in January 2025. If you would like to donate directly to our Snack Program - please go to School Cash Online. We will be having two more full school snack days - Monday, November 18th and Monday, November 25th. There will also still be snacks available at the office for those students who run out of their lunch.

### **Teachers Report- Lindsay Plumstead**

Thanks so much for the new outdoor tables, after a few reminders about safe usage students have been enjoying them!

All of our volleyball teams have moved on to playoffs, we can't wait to see how they do in their upcoming games.

### **Student Council:**

- Successfully running the popcorn sales

- Food Drive, dates TBD

- Festive Spirit Week in December

Our Winter Book Fair is scheduled for:

Delivery: Monday, Dec 9th

Open: Tuesday, Dec. 10th - Friday, Dec. 13th  
(during nutrition breaks).

Will be looking for parent volunteers to help sell

### **Principal's Report:**

Continuing to focus on getting to know students and parents. Trying to have open and proactive communication (e.g., Friday Updates, Monthly Assembly PPTs, phone calls home for communication, etc.).

Continuing to focus on Positive School Culture and Well-Being. Weekly Rave Winners, Monthly Assemblies – celebrating student character traits, athletics, clubs, etc.

- Student Council is going extremely well. Looking at having a Tuck Shop on Thursday Nov 21<sup>st</sup> – open to whole school – FDK order forms will be sent home on Monday – Grade 1-8 will get a NB time to come down and purchase.

Thursday is to celebrate Progress Reports and all their hard work (all items are between \$0.50 and \$2.00). All this money will go back into Classroom and Student Enhancements (e.g., technology, books, supplies, trips, etc.).

- Working on students being kind, making good choices, keeping their hands to themselves – still a work in progress.

- Buses now have full-time drivers and our bus runs have been doing much better. Still having significant concerns with behaviour on the bus (e.g., standing up, walking/running up and down the aisle while the bus is in motion, eating/drinking, throwing items, hands-on).

- Have received an additional Educational Assistant – now have 4 full-time Rockton EAs and 1 System EA that is supporting us right now. I am working on continuing to get further supports from the board to support student behaviour (e.g., Child Youth Care Practitioner - AIM program (5 days a week), System CYCP (3 days a week right now), System BCBA (Board Certified Behaviour Analyst) (1 day a week right now), System EA (afternoons 5 days a week right now), Autism Specialist (drop-in support), Itinerant Special Education Teacher (1 day a week), Social Worker (1/2 a day a week). Bringing in ULS (Universal Life Skills Pilot Program) – FDK classes – several weeks starting soon. Continuing to work with as many staff as possible to support our students.

- School Improvement Plan – we are focusing on Positive Culture and Well-Being as a whole school. Academically, staff are choosing one subject area right now (Math/Language), target students that need additional support in that area, and focusing on how small group instruction (Tier 1) can support those students in the classroom. Continuing to observe, gather data, reflect and review.

### **Next Meeting –**

February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

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](mailto:rocktonsc@hwdsb.on.ca)

