

Rosedale Home and School Association – General Meeting
Date: Wednesday Dec 6, 2023

Attendees: Dan, Jen, Emily, Jessica, Rose, Phil, Sam, Amanda W, Kayla, Amanda, Jelena, Jodi, Rose, Lynsey, Sue, Kimberly, Tracey, Kristy, Dana, Daniel

1. Welcome

2. Review and Approval of Agenda: Sam, 2nd Amanda W

3. Approval of Minutes from November: Tracey, Kayla

4. Current fundraising Updates:

a. Lynsey - Value village.

Signed up to do fundraiser with VV. Detailed breakdown. Follow-up with Talize—this was the better offer! 2534lbs (\$634!) for first pick up. Will explore next year/adjust some of the specifics with pick up. Still accepting drop offs until Dec 11th. Something called “drop off day” that Talize offers. 1 day to drop off at school—Talize offers hot chocolate etc. Will make tweaks next year. Lynsey would motion to do this again next year. Through Ontario Federation of home and school we can do charitable donations (if this ever comes up with other groups).

used book sale: \$191.35 from used book sale. Did really well. Made more money doing this than donating to Talize (which offer a dime/lb). Done on the same day as the holiday market.

b. Dan - Chocolate: Company is sending purveyor tomorrow to pick up. Will have to pay cost for shipping back, but will not have to pay for boxes. Working with this company was easy! Timing would have been better if we had done it earlier in the year. Estimated profit is around \$5000. Emily handed out prizes—cheering when the pizza party was announced. Pizza party update: Suggested pairing with first pizza day of year. School cash already out for Jan. Dec 22nd is new proposed date. Sue suggested when they're back to school. Sam suggested first Monday back—Amanda suggested Tuesday as parents may need a reminder. Dan motioned for Monday approved. 2nd nutrition break. Don't need to order from original—TBD. We still have some chocolate to sell at other events. Most cases that were returned had at least 50% of case sold. Don't expire until Sept 2024.

5. Gift Shop Update – Dan: Numerous ppl have been going out and buying items. Thank you to all who have responded to assist during day of. We will be sending home a letter to parents (also requesting parents assistance). Sue stated police check is now required. Set up is Wednesday next week—permit is from 3-5 (not 3-7 as previously stated). Volunteers assisting the day of can come in right after drop off on the day of gift shop. Lynsey has made labels to be distributed to all classrooms—labels to be filled out at home. # of items will be limited to 8/pp. No child will be turned away.

Sam: Will we have extra labels for kids who forget their labels the day of.

Parents to contact home and school with any questions. 294 kids. Amanda W will send out reminder pencils the day before.

Kahla: Are we still taking donations? Dan: Sure.

We're seeking folding tables. The more we have the better.

Jodi: Teachers had questions about whether or not they can have first dibs to shop.

Dan: Maybe a fair compromise is to have the teachers as part of the end of the day group (along with siblings). Gift shop is really for the kids.

6. Community Report – Phil: Looking for donations for food bank. Can collect at the church on Wednesday morning 10-12, Thursday night 6-9. Can also come in on Saturday morning for drop off. Need food by the 15th to drop off to food bank on the 16th.

Follow-up question: Just food or all items? Anything for the home. All items; cleaning stuff, toothpaste, personal toiletries. Non-perishables are ideal.

7. Principals Report – S. Neville: See attached

Have capacity limits changed at the school? *question asked in response to parents not being able to attend holiday assembly

Sue: Yes. Numbers have changed since covid.

Looking for sponsors for family @ Christmas. Previous years did Walmart gift cards. How many families are we looking at? Lynsey—can we go to the neighbourhood association with this first? They have asked how they can help. Dan: Can we purchase 4 \$100 gift cards to be given to the families? Maybe we can ask the neighbourhood association for additional gift cards to help out additional families. Motioned by Kristy. 2nd by Dan
This will be Sue's final meeting as she'll be moving to another school. Will be replaced by Laura Bartkiw (from Dundas central)

8. Treasurers Report – Jessica: Difficult to give financial update as money is going in and out this month. Will provide more detailed update after settling up re chocolate and following gift shop. Very rough idea: \$14,500 in the account—BUT we have not paid for chocolate yet (approx \$4000-\$5000). Estimated that we'll be around \$10,000 for Jan.

9. Presidents Report – Dan: District council meeting; engaged with other schools to get ideas what they had success with. Special food days, challenges—what are viable options? Some organizations in the community may help resolve some of these concerns. Last 2 meetings have been virtual, next will be in person.

10. Fundraiser Proposal – Sam: Proposed a spaghetti lunch—can we look into lunchbox (connected with school cash app). Executive committee is still looking into this, but it would be a fundraiser. Will provide updated during subsequent meetings.

11. Families in Need Gift Cards – Dan: Already addressed.

12. Volunteer Appreciation Night – Emily: If you haven't RSVP'd please do so immediately so we can prep food. We appreciate all the assistance of everyone in this group. Food intolerances/allergies? No.

13. Next Meeting Reminder – January 10, 2024: Dan will connect with Sue what meetings with look like moving forward with new principal.

14. Questions/Concerns: Amanda—do we need anything or gift shop? We have lots of tape.

Jodi: We're going to be doing a snowball. Can group donate popcorn as prizes? Moved and 2nd by group. Can we donate items from gift shop? Jessica will donate headbands.

Kahla: At their school they have an art cart. Had items such as: watercolour paints, pastels, pencil crayons and other items each class doesn't necessarily need to purchase. Classes can sign out art cart. Would this school be interested in an art cart? Part of the art piece that goes above and beyond. Will follow up with price point.

Jodi: Do you want requests from teachers re what items you'd like for the cart? Yes.

Jodi: Will pass it on to other staff.

Dan: Looking at extras we can provide to school.

Sue: Paints, electronics cannot be purchased from the dollar store.

Amanda: Is that's above and beyond could be subsidize art club?