Royal School Parent Connection Actively Supporting Our School Community

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Minutes

ROYAL SCHOOL PARENT CONNECTION MEETING Tuesday, May 21, 2024 6:30 – 7:30pm Online Meeting by Teams

In attendance: Tanis T, Sara G, Natasha G, Monica G, Heather M, Julia O, Jani S, Kara S, Tricia S, Kara

Items for Tonight

- 1. Review / approve minutes from April meeting (2 min) Natasha motions to approve, Monica Seconds.
- 2. Reports and Decisions by Email Update (10 min)
 - A. Treasurer report / RSPC Bank Account Sara Current as of yesterday. Balances are all healthy. See report on google drive for details.

Created a sub account for playground equipment and has \$2,500 in it.

April Fun lunch brought in \$550.30.

For Mr. Bridge for Tabloid day – purchased a Visa gift card for him to use.

Sara and Joe have been in contact with BMO about the account and once paperwork is done, Sara and Joe will be removed from the account. Tricia and Jani will be the new signatories for the account.

There are a few cheques that still need to be written this year for the freezies and reimbursement for field trip funds.

B. Sub Cmte for planning June/Sept events – Natasha Little response from inquiry sent out to committee regarding planning a June event. Natasha/Jani will go check out westridge year end event to see what they plan and get ideas. Sara suggested also checking out Dieppe school as they have a June event.

Would like to plan something for September. It will coordinate with the meet the Royal team night. For any vendors (ie: Boucy Castle, etc) we use, the school requires that the vendor has \$2 million liability. Tanis requests to be kept in the loop throughout the planning stage as there are some hoops divisionally that need to be resolved (ie: permits).

- C. Decisions by Email (Kinder Info Night & Food Pantry)
 - Vote by email all were in favor for pamphlets and majority were in favor for bulletin board. Bulletin Board will be 36.99+ tax (not complete yet). Promo pamphlets were \$47.
 - 2. Vote by email Using fun lunch fund for food pantry. All voted in favor purchased \$128.35 visa gift card
- 3. Voting Interim Executive Positions (5 min) Chair; Treasurer; Communications Coordinator
 - o Kara nominates Jani for interim Communications Coordinator
 - o Tricia Nominates Kara for interim Chair
 - o Monica nominates Tricia for interim treasurer Vote was unanimous in favor for all 3 positions. Congratulations Kara, Tricia and Jani!

 Canada Day Celebration (June 27) - freezies to be purchased by RSPC

All voted in favor to supply these. Jani will purchase them.

5. School Report - Tanis (15 min)

- A. James Maclennan, our grade 5 teacher, has accepted a full time teaching position at HG Izatt School for September we wish him all the best in his new adventure in a different school in Pembina Trails.
- B. Lauren Friesen, our Teacher Librarian, has requested a temporary reduction in her teaching contract for September, which means that we will not have her as part of our teaching crew for 2024-25 – we wish her all the best in her exploration of reduced working time.
- C. Haley Coupland, our grade 4/5 teacher, has extended her maternity leave through December 2024 we will welcome her back to our teaching staff in January 2025.
- D. We are grateful that Deanna Perche, our resource teacher, has agreed to take up the Roots of Empathy program that Lauren Friesen has handled over the past few years.
- E. Elizabeth Logan, our grade 1/2 teacher, has accepted a full time teaching position at Bonnycastle School for September we wish her all the best in her new adventure in a different school in Pembina Trails.
- F. We are still in the process of determining classrooms, and hiring new teachers, for 2024-25. We will solidify this by mid June.
- G. Our spring concert is looking more and more like it will be outside cross your fingers for no rain.
- H. Solid 32 kinders registered 2 full kindergarten classes for next year.
- I. Exploring a new app for determining class make-ups.

6. Constitution Updates - Kara (30 min) See powerpoint presentation for details and voting results.

Special Thank You to Sara, Julia, and Monica for their work on the executive over the last year.

First meeting of the school year to take place September 17, 2024

Have a wonderful summer. Thank you for serving on Parent Connection this year!