

Rocky Lane School
Council Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2016 @ 7:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: Liane Mercredi (Chair), Pamela Kipling (Vise Chair), Lori Aliche, Ken Scrimshaw, Hayden Mercredi, Kristy Adekat (MCH/ School Liaison Student Engagement Officer), Brook Croy, Theresa Croy

RECORDER: Elsie Croy

1.0 Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:15. Introductions of Kristy Adekat and her role within in the school.

2.0 Additions/Deletions to Agenda: Agenda approved with the following additions 6.1 Trustee; 6.2 Grade 6 Field Trip 6.3 Parent Engagement, 6.4 Committee Reports; 6.5 Nutrition Funding. 5.2 School Zone Reminder.

3.0 Acceptance of Last Meeting Minutes: Accepted minutes with the following information added into the following areas:

6.1.3 School New Website: Showed website and what parents are able to access from the website.

6.1.4 New CALM Course: Changing the CALE course from a 3 credits to 5 credits. It is not required to graduate. Parents throughout the province are concerned about their children are not able to complete simple math.

4.0 Reports:

4.1 Principals Report:

- Meeting length would like to come to a consensus on how long the School Council meeting should be.

MOTION: Ken motions to have the meeting length to be 1 ½ for school council meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

- Jenny Dempster is struggling with parent attendance and if you know of any preschool children to encourage them to attend the preschool programming. MCH will support the literacy; Beaver First Nations provides free transportation for students to community literacy.
- Result reviews – present to the board of trustees and share successes and struggles and share items that were happening within our school.
- Kindness week and addiction and awareness this week a lot of presentations have been booked. Developing a healthy lifestyle; Kindness week did at the start of the week with stars that turn into envelopes given to the students to write something in the stars and

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will be reviewed on Thursday night to ensure that the messaging is positive and kindness, heritage lunch students and parents are encourage to bring something tomorrow at lunch time to show others what make them special.

- Collecting donations for the elders care packs; information sent home with each student these care packs will be delivered on Friday.
- Stacy is doing a dry family dance to celebrate addictions and mental health awareness week.
- Student lead conferences start 4:00 – 7:00 on November 22 & 23, 2016. Students generate a list of questions that they would like to ask their teachers on how to improve in their schooling. The best turnout was when the students were involved.
- Court yard a pergola will be built on the east side by the BLAST team so the space can be utilized and beautified.
- Farm at a place now that all the produce has been utilize and the home grown beef will be brought into the hot lunch program. Have the opportunity for students to watch the process on butchering animals.

4.2 Trustee Report: No trustee report.

4.3 Parent Fundraising Report: Planning the Annual Parent Fundraising Winter Bazaar for December 10, 2016 from 11:00 – 4:00. To date we have 25 tables which is including 2 tables for concession. Fee for tables this year are \$15.00 for 1 table or \$20.00 for 2 tables until November 20, 2016; after the tables will be \$20.00 per table. All vendors have already paid their table fees via e-transfer and Elsie Croy is writing out receipts each time she accepts an e-transfer.

5.0 Old Business:

5.1 School Council Bylaws: Tabled

5.2 School Zone Reminder: Would like to have a reminder that school is in session and want all community members to take extra caution within the school zone. Can also have this included into the school call out.

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5.3 Parent Focus Group Topics: Would like to have skits and presentations on how to handle bullying and the resources that are available. Would like to have a computer set-up for students to speak on bullying and what it means to them. Natalie will discuss with the Student Council. General discussion on bullying; social and emotionally bullying is the main bullying within the school. Suggestion was made to have bullying presentations at the School Council meetings to provide more information the parents on how to support their children if they are being bullied and would like to have information on what bullying is about.

ACTION: Natalie will discuss with the Student Council the idea of having a computer set-up for students to speak about bullying and what it means to them.

Questioned if High Level Policing Society are able to come to the school to assist Sarah with presentations. Currently Sarah has completed "It's Not Your Fault". Would like to have pictures of Elders within the school.

6.0 New Business:

6.1 Trustee: Wanted to invite the trustee to our school council meeting and found out that the trustee has submitted a letter to the board of resignation. If the board approves the resignation the board may wait until the next election instead of doing a bi-election which can take up to 3 months to complete. How can we get a representation for our school at the board level? How can we ensure that we have representation with the board? Can have public present at the school board meeting but will have to leave when the school board go into in-camera session. Would like clarification on where we are at and ensure that we have representation for our school. Natalie will contact Clark McAskile to discuss concerns within the school council and what are next steps will be.

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6.2 Grade 6 Field Trip: Would like to have more parent engagement with fundraising events to ensure that the funding is available for the students to go on field trips. Had a magazine campaign that was designated just for the Grade 6 fieldtrip. Mrs. Patmore keeps a tracking on finances with money coming in and going out. Natalie will book another Graded 6 parent meeting to decide on the final details of trip.

ACTION: Natalie will book another Grade 6 parent meeting to decide on the final details of their fieldtrip.

6.3 Parent Engagement: Would like to have the newsletter format changed; suggestion to have things added into the newsletter from the students. Suggestion made to have the newsletter going out the same time with the band's newsletter.

6.4 Committee Report: Tabled till next meeting.

6.5 Nutrition Funding: Tabled till next meeting.

7.0 Date/Time of Next Meeting: December 6, 2016 at 7:00 PM

8.0 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:40