

Kars on the Rideau School Council Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Minutes were taken by Kara Hayne.

Present: Rick Haggar, Shereene de Rosayro, Kara Hayne, Kim Cable, Lauren Carwardino, Bonnie Fiarchuk, Diane Dey, Rowena Pearl, Jennifer Maheral, Carrie Desormeaux, Kirsten Mooney, Vicki Arkinstall

1. Welcome and Introductions

Kim welcomed everyone and informed the group that the main agenda items for this meeting was to establish remaining Council positions and to discuss upcoming fundraiser events including identifying coordinators and volunteers.

2. Fundraiser at Indigo Barrhaven (explanation of program)

Estelle, an Indigo representative, explained the fundraiser program for consideration. The School Council would be responsible for promoting this event, inviting students, family and friends to Indigo (Barrhaven) for one evening (Tuesday, 6pm-9:30pm) to shop all in-store products. The School Council would earn a portion of total merchandise sold (15% if redeemed as cash, 20% if redeemed as gift card for Indigo). Strangers must not be solicited. A registration table could be set up at the store entrance, and Estelle offered incentive ideas including snacks/refreshments and prizes for the student/class with the most number of family/friends pre-registered.

3. Council Elections for Remaining Executive Positions for 2017-2018

• Kim announced that since our last Council meeting last month, one self-nomination was received for each the Chair and Treasurer. The Teacher Rep is not yet identified.

MOTION to accept <u>Diane Dey</u>'s self-nomination as Chair: Motion made by Kim Cable All in favour. Motion **PASSED**

MOTION to accept <u>Carrie Desormeaux</u>'s nomination as Treasurer: Motion made by Kim Cable All in favour. Motion **PASSED**

4. Summary Finance Report for 2016-17

Kim provided a final 2016-2017 financial balance report which will be provided to OCDSB along with a written report. The total variance with the bank statement (\$72.12) was within the level of tolerance that the OCDSB accepts. Closing balance was \$5,162.29.

5. Treasurer's Report – October

Kim also presented the October 2017 financial balance sheet showing actuals and forecasts. To date revenue/expenses only for the hot lunch program and a couple grants are available this early in the school year.

6. Principal's Report

Rick mentioned that the Terry Fox Run was very successful, and the planning for students attending an Ottawa 67s hockey game is well underway.

Rick introduced a new race day initiative to promote physical fitness and strive for healthy living, excellence and longevity. Information was passed to students at a school assembly. Students would create their own individual plan and keep track of their laps. During each phys-ed class, students would run 1-2 laps that count towards their personal goal.

7. Current Business

a. Approval of September Minutes

MOTION to accept <u>Carrie Desormeaux</u>'s nomination as Treasurer: Motion made by Kim Cable 1st Rowena, 2nd Shereene Motion **PASSED**

- b. Review of Planned Council Events
 - Cake Walk:
 - o Last year we had 75-100 jars
 - o Rick has completed the schedule of class times to browse.
 - Festive Hot Lunch:
 - To make this happen, we very much need parent volunteer commitment by mid-November.
 - o Must book the hall very soon.
 - **ACTION:** Bonnie to call Meagan (previous organizer) for her notes.
 - Other ideas:
 - Clara Clark bedsheets (Carrie)
 - o Indigo
 - Fundscript (Kara) (Council feedback: small profit, can't order online)
 - Market (charge businesses a rental fee per table)
 - Book sale scale back (e.g. only children's books and fiction, no cookbooks, etc) or cancel this year due to no volunteer leadership.

- c. EQAO Results
 - Results have been published on the OCDSB website
 - Overall, math results are lower province-wide
 - o 11 teachers have joined the KOTR Math Committee
 - Council members voiced concern that math program could use a boost from Council, such as:
 - 1. Is there a math version of "Razz kids"?
 - 2. "Nuts" program (obstacle course of physical and mental challenges)
 - 3. "Jump Math" program
 - Rick supports Council boosting KOTR math program and (ACTION) will bring this item forward to VP and 6 math committee members.
 - Council has a standing motion of \$3K for reading program

8. Coordinator Updates

- o Lunch & Milk Program
 - Kim reports that the lunch program is running smoothly. The council reaffirmed that parents cannot change their order now until next term. Hot lunch enrollment is down by about 25 children this term. Last year's Council decided to reduce profit margin to offset the cost of PayPal (\$0.90 instead of \$1).

9. Additional Agenda Items

None

10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

The next meeting will take place on November 14, 2017.