

Rimbey Elementary School Parent Council Annual General Meeting
September 14, 2021

Present: Ashley Fowler, Michelle Service, Kathleen Hull-Beagle, Matilda Kleinsasser, Aimee Heilemann, Jodi Bramfield, Kathleen Macaulay, Trudy Bratland

A Quorum was not established.

1. Call to Order - 5:21 p.m.

The Meeting was Called to Order by Chairperson, Kathleen Hull-Beagle who had volunteered to be the Chairperson during the previous Foundation meeting and was confirmed by a motion that the Executive of the Parent Council would serve as the Executive of the RES Foundation. For the purpose of the minutes of this meeting, Kathleen declared that she is a parent of a child in the school as well as a teacher at RES and stated that she would declare a conflict when necessary. Kathleen also indicated that she does have an interest in the completion of the outdoor ice rink. There were no objections by the membership.

2. Agenda

2.1 Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda and it was the consensus of the membership to adopt the Agenda as presented.

3. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.

MOTION: By Matilda Kleinsasser That the minutes of the 2020 AGM be adopted. Seconded by Ashley Fowler. CARRIED.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

It was noted that a Year Book was not produced last year.

5. New Business

Production of a year book was discussed.

Kelly Fairley joined the meeting.

5.1 Election of Executive for the 2021-2022 year

MOTION: By Michelle Service that the Executive of the RES Foundation also serve as the Executive of the Parent Council:

Chairperson - Kathleen Hull-Beagle

Vice Chairperson - Michelle Service

Secretary - to be recruited at a later date

Treasurer - Matilda Kleinsasser

Seconded by Kathleen Hull-Beagle.

CARRIED.

MOTION: By: Ashley That the Signing Authorities for the RES Parent Council Bank accounts be two of Matilda Kleinsasser, Michelle Service and Kathleen Hull-Beagle. Seconded by Matilda Kleinsasser. CARRIED.

6. Treasurer's Report - attached

The Treasurer's report was presented by Matilda Kleinsasser.

MOTION: By Matilda Kleinsasser That the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.
Seconded by Michelle Service. CARRIED.

7. Reports

7.1 Principal

Jodi Bramfield discussed the Principal's Report that is attached to the Minutes. Alberta Education has announced a grant of \$500.00 to School Councils and asked that members think about how to use the money and report to the October meeting. The Chili Cook-Off was also brought up and it was suggested that May might be the time to hold it.

School Demographics

- 2021 - 2022 School Enrollment = 363 (PreK - 6)
- 2020-2021 School Enrollment = 345 (PreK - 6)
- 2019 - 2020 School Enrollment = 392 (PreK - 6)
- Classes vary in size from 18 - 27
- Proud of how well students quickly settled into the new school year

Upcoming Events:

- Sept 17 - Professional Development Day: focusing on student profiles and identifying stretches & strengths.
- Sept. 28: Orange Shirt Day
- Sept 30: No School - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- October 6 & 7: Parent Teacher Interviews from 3:15 - 7:00. Sign up online & conducted via Google Meet or Phone Call.
- October 11: Thanksgiving

School Council Meetings

September 14, October 12, November 9, January 11, March 8, & May 10.

Respiratory Illness Outbreak Information

- Absences steadily increasing since Sept. 7
 - Absentee Rates**
 - Sept. 10: 17% students absent/11% Reporting Symptoms (9 active cases)
 - Sept. 13: 28% students absent/ 17% Reporting Symptoms
 - Sept. 14: 25% students absent/18% Reporting Symptoms
- School has had 11 positive cases to date
- Required to contact AHS upon absentee rate of 10% or greater OR clusters of common symptoms
- Investigation was completed by Center for Disease Control (CDC): they contacted some families to determine if it is a respiratory illness within the school.
- CDC Declaring RE an Outbreak School (Bluffton also Outbreak and RJSH is experiencing a high number of absences).

Next Steps:

- AHS & Health Inspector investigated our current measures and assist in dealing with Outbreak Best Practices - to limiting the spread:
 - Strongly recommend masking
 - Frequent cleaning of high touch surfaces

- Sanitizing & Handwashing
- Cohorting/Limiting Movement: multiple students in hallways at same time/Limit mixing of Cohorts
- Staggering entrances & exits
- Daily Health Checks: symptom free or stay home

Maria Tisdale joined the meeting.

7.2 Outdoor Rink

Kathleen Hull-Beagle reported on the progress of the outdoor rink at the school.

- \$22,000.00 has been raised to date
- a cement base will add to the cost
- Hawktail Breweries has raised \$5- \$6,000
- The Co-Op has donated \$1500.0
- There was a discussion regarding the Legacy Tree Project and the money that has been raised/donated to date.

MOTION: By Kelly Fowler (LeBlanc) that the funds raised for the Outdoor rink be kept in the Foundation account and accounting for it be kept separate and reported that way. Seconded by Michelle Service. CARRIED.

7.3 School Trustee's Report

- No formal Board meetings have been held but two Special meetings have been. The first was to discuss the Calendar with respect to September 30th being Orange Shirt day in conjunction with the Truth and Reconciliation Federal Holiday. Wolf Creek will observe that day. The second meeting was to determine whether or not masks will be worn in the schools and the decision was not to mandate masks. The new boundaries for the upcoming election are in place. We are holding most of our meetings via Zoom and are meeting more frequently now that school has started.

8. Next Meeting

The next AGM for the RES Parent Council will be held on September 13, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was declared adjourned at 6:30.

*** School Council meeting dates have been set for September 14, October 12, November 9, January 11, March 8 and May 10.