# Rimbey Elementary School Council Meeting Minutes September 20, 2022

- 1. Call to Order at 5:15 by Kathleen Hull-Beagle
- 2. Agenda
  - 2.1 Additions
  - 2.2 Adoption of Agenda by Michelle Service and seconded by Matilda Kleinsasser.
- 3. <u>Minutes from May 10, 202</u>2:

### **On RES Website - Parents - School Council**

- 3.1 Adoption of minutes by Michelle Service and seconded by Allison Goodwin.
- 4. <u>Treasurer's Report.</u>

#### June 2022:

-\$1,007.22 expenses for hot lunch \$6,784.61 income from hot lunches

### July 2022:

- -\$3,581.39 expenses to cover cost of year end field trip busses (1 bus per grade)
- \$100,000.00 income from Coop grant for outdoor rink project.

Motion by Lena May to transfer \$5000 from School Improvement line to Field Trip line as there was currently -\$1,099.05. This will put the Field Trip line at \$3900.50 to cover the cost of field trip buses for 2022-2023. Seconded by Michelle Service.

Matilda moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented, Michelle Service seconded it.

- 5. Business Arising from Minutes None
- 6. New Business
  - Request from teachers for Playground Equipment for 14 classes. Request up to \$2000.00 from the School Improvement Fund.
    - Currently teachers pay out of pocket to provide skipping ropes, sidewalk chalk, soccer balls, basket balls, bins to store items in and other items for the students at recess. There are 14 classrooms this year.

Motion by Ashley Fowler to provide up to \$2000.00 from the School Improvement fund for the school to buy playground equipment and bins for the 14 classrooms. Seconded by Lena May.

- 6.2 Outdoor Rink Update (Kathleen Hull Beagle & Allison Goodwin)
  - Most recent meeting was last night (Sept. 19, 2022)
  - Boards have been ordered
  - Need to wait until the Spring for the Sport Court flooring.
  - Will be able to flood and use the rink this winter

- County of Ponoka very receptive to supporting the project. Requested the remaining \$44 000.00. Boys (Travis Beagle, Hewitt Felt and Reed Toussaint) will do a presentation to County of Ponoka on Sept. 29.
- Outdoor rink will have: 3 pickleball courts, 4 basketball nets, and 3 four squares.
- Cole Beagle, Beagle Electric will be installing 1 light that will stay on for security purposes and the rest will be on a timer.
- 6.3 Hot Lunch discussion of continuing & forming a committee that reports to council
  - Michelle Service will spearhead this with Allison Goodwin assisting her. They will let us know dates and what the hot lunches will be. They will request parent volunteers on the day of the hot lunch.

## 7. Reports

7.1 Principal's Report

## RE School Council: Principal Report: September 20, 2022

Great start to the school year. Open house to drop off school supplies was well received. Received some feedback about the school supply list being a bit confusing to understand, so Jen has revised how it will be posted for next school year.

# **School Demographics**

- 2022 2023 School Enrollment = 360 (PreK 6)
- Classes vary in size from 18 31
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  - $\circ$  3 = 20 & 21
  - $\circ$  4s in the AM = 20, 20 & 21
  - $\circ$  4s in the PM = 30 & 31
  - $\circ$  5s = 26 & 27
  - $\circ$  6s in the AM = 20, 21, 18
  - $\circ$  6s in the PM = 28 & 31
  - 2021 2022 School Enrollment = 363 (PreK 6)
  - 2020-2021 School Enrollment = 345 (PreK 6)
  - 2019 2020 School Enrollment = 392 (PreK 6)

## **Upcoming Events:**

- Sept 23 Terry Fox Run
- Sept. 29: Orange Shirt Day
- Sept 30: No School National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- October 11: Thanksgiving
- October 26 & 27: Parent Teacher Interviews from 3:15 7:00.

### **School Council Meetings**

September 14, November 8, January 10, March 7, & May 9

### 7.2 School Trustee's Report: September 2022 Parent Council

Our first regularly scheduled Board Meeting was held on September 15 and our agenda items included Non-Resident Tuition fees, reviewing the Board year plan, the Board/Parent Council Annual meeting - November 2 at 5:00 at the Lacombe Composite High School, approving two international field trips the Board Annual Self Evaluation and the request for additional FTE teachers.

The division held a "Welcome Back" event for all staff and I helped with the preparation of the gifts that were handed out. The morning of the event we all listened to a very good motivational keynote speaker - Jody Urquhart who was serious and funny during her presentation about living for now and not dwelling on the past or future as you don't really have control over them.

I also was invited to and attended the Crestomere back to school pancake breakfast and the Rimbey Jr./Sr. High First Annual Community barbeque. As I am on the collective agreement bargaining committee, I met with the rest of the committee for the first time.

As with most of the folks in the division we are gearing up for a great year and making plans for future events - hopefully in person! I wish everyone a great year and look forward to our meetings.

Also - things to note - the 800 teachers that can/will be hired throughout the Province will be paid for out of School Divisions' reserve dollars. Some divisions have millions of dollars, Wolf Creek does not. When the government says that there are 60+ million dollars in reserves throughout the Province, that may be true. WCPS uses their funding to support needs in the present and can't stockpile dollars.

We are short of bus drivers and spare drivers so if you know of anyone who would like to take this on, please contact the Transportation Department.

I am looking forward to attending the Rimbey Jr./Sr. High School Graduation on the 24th.

- 8. Adjournment at 5:55 PM
- 9. Next meeting will be held November 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.