

Rimbey Elementary School Council Foundation Minutes

January 23, 2024

Call to Order: 6:03 PM

Role Call/Attendees: Alannah Bancroft, Lyndsey Rumsay, Matilda Kleinsausser, Nicole Fox, Lana May, Jodi Bramfield, Stacy Sargeant, Kelly LeBlanc, Mandy Klien

Approval of Agenda - Adding 2.1 Autism Awareness. Nicole approved the agenda and Alison seconded.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - Nicole approved the agenda and Alison seconded.

1.0 Treasurer Report - Treasure has not received the updated bank statement.

- Cheques ordered
- High Yield Savings Account - has been put into place
- \$4000 is to be kept aside for Field Trips
- Matilda moves that her treasure report can be accepted as presented. Lena seconded. Carried.

2.0 Hot Lunch Updates

- Up to 3 Hot Lunches a month are being offered to students
- Well attended and positive feedback about them
- Local businesses are happy with the business we are providing them through hot lunches

2.1 Autism Awareness

- April 2, 2024 is Autism Awareness Day. Would like to have a Cookie & Milk/Juice Box fundraiser. Money would go towards the school's sensory room and sensory bins. *Lena made a motion to have a cookie day on April 2 with all funds going towards the sensory room and bins. Alison Seconds. Carried.*

3.0 Old Business

- Discussion of priorities from the Wish list for teachers/students - Kelly shared prices for many items.
 - o *Motion from Alison: School Council spend up to \$9000 on: Chromebooks (\$3550), up to \$600 on skate sharpening, skate trainers (\$37.00 at Canadian Tire x 10), 2 good quality hockey nets (\$200 at Canadian Tire), Trickster Story Telling for grades 5 & 6 is \$1500, and up to \$2500 for mural art work.*
- Swing project- update from Lena: Swings are expensive items and it was suggested that this be tabled for the 2024-2025 school year as a larger fundraiser.

- Gaga ball pit update from Suzanne - Absent no report
- Bake sale/karaoke at Pas Ka Poo was a success. Made \$600.00.
- Application for Tim Hortons smile cookie program - was submitted waiting to see if our school is selected.
- Candy Canes for Candy Cane Dance in December: \$120 spent by School Council on candy canes for the noon hour dance.

4.0 New Business

- Family Literacy sponsorship for school library
 - o School Council in favour of offering families the opportunity to give a donation to buy a book for the school library: \$5, 10, 15, or 20 donations. Set up through Parent Portal (on line). Families may remain anonymous or have their family name put in the book.
- Nutrition program - Moved to next meeting
- Budget for rink clearing
 - o Apex cleared the snow off the outdoor rink so that the fire department could flood it. Cost to clear the snow = \$150. The Fire Department flooded the rink for free.
 - While clearing the snow, a few tiles pulled up and need to be replaced. Apex sent an email requesting we let him know how much it will cost to replace them and he will reimburse us.
 - o *Alison motioned: Purchase a \$100 gift card for the fire department to purchase themselves a pizza as a thank you for flooding the rink. Mandy seconded. Carried.*
 - o *Alison motioned that \$1000 is annually allocated to snow clearing maintenance of the rink. Nicole seconded. Carried.*
- Safe at Home Course - Moved to next meeting
- Skate sharpening & skate trainers
 - o Discussed the need for school skates to be sharpened and skate trainers.
 - Approximately 70 pairs of skates to be sharpened (suggested spending up to \$600 on skate sharpening).
 - 10 skate trainers would be ideal ($\$37.00 \times 10 = 370.00$)
 - See passed motion in Old Business.
- Sensory bin - See Autism Day in item 2.1.
- Swimming at a local hotel?
 - o Question was asked if classes could take swimming lessons or swim at the hotel pools. As they have no life guards the school is not able to do

this. However, the school does take the kids to the Rimbey outdoor pool in May/June every year for swimming.

- Donation of Conversation hearts, cinnamon hearts & pink post it notes
 - o *Motion to donate \$150.00 for items for February activities. Mandy seconded. Carried*
- Single flowers for teachers for Valentine's Day - Request removed due to amount of money that had been passed.

5.0 Fundraising

- Mini hoops concession May 10, 2024 (need times). Tabled until next meeting.
- Chili cook off date September 19, 2024 (Kelly) will need volunteers for letters to businesses, requires a deposit of \$150.00, need to book Pas Ka Poo Park.
- **New** Breakfast with Santa (Kelly & Allison): Shared information about their idea to have a Breakfast with Santa next year as a fundraiser. Catered breakfast, sell tickets, have a pictures with Santa, view it as a “fancy” event. Council was interested and thought it would be a good idea. More information to follow.
- **New** Pink t-shirt fundraiser (Kelly & Allison): Shared information about their idea to have a Pink T-Shirt and other t-shirt ideas as a fundraiser. Council was interested and thought it would be a good idea. More information to follow.
- Earth day bottle drive- April 22/24 (drop off at school). Left that if someone had time to inquire at the bottle depot - they would bring this information to the next meeting. Earth mural with kids' handprints - to be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date: **March 19, 2024 at 5:00**

Adjourn Meeting