

## **Rimbey Elementary Parent Council Foundation Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Kelly Leblanc at 5:40pm

**Roll Call:** Kelly Leblanc (Chairperson), Alannah Bancroft (Vice Chairperson), Jenni Whatmore (Secretary), Matilda Kleinsasser (Treasurer), Jodi Braamfield (Principal), Suzanne Bergeron, Mandy Klein, Lyndsey Rumsey, Allison Goodwin, Nicole Fox and Kim Poulsen.

**Agenda:** The agenda for Tuesday, March 11, 2025 as presented by Kelly Leblanc was approved by Jenni Whatmore. Mandy Klein seconds. Carried.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the Foundation meeting held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 was approved by Lindsay Rumsey. Allison Goodwin seconds. Carried.

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**1.0 Treasurer's Report:** Matilda Keinsasser presented the Treasurer's Report and motions for approval. Jenni Whatmore approves the Treasurer's Report. Nicole Fox seconds. Carried.

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### **2.0 Hot Lunches**

**2.1 Status:** Hot Lunches are going well. All that are available for the rest of the school year have been posted in the Parent Portal. A list of the monthly hot lunch items is posted on the facebook page. There was one addition for March, Booster Juice day, which had 207 orders.

**2.2 Sugar Cookies:** Kelly Leblac talked with Suzanne Bergeron about sugar cookie orders: she would like us to continue using AJLs Cookie Chaos for hot lunch but she is happy to work with us on Fundraising kits.

**2.3 Wildrose Bakery:** We had been overcharged (\$62) and over supplied for pretzel day. When Kelly contacted the Bakery they agreed to offer either store credit or cash back if all the extra pretzels were returned. Unfortunately, this was not possible, as all extras are left on the staff room table for others to enjoy. Unfortunately, due to this discrepancy the board is unsure if they will be using Wildrose Bakery in the future.

**2.4 Orders for April:** Cut off for April orders is Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 10am

**2.5 Pie Day:** Friday, March 14, 2025 would have needed two more volunteers, but thankfully two board members have offered to help.

### **3.0 Old Business**

**3.1 Cinnamon Hearts & Conversation Hearts:** Purchased and distributed.

**3.2 Substitute Appreciation:** Thank you to Mandy Klein for handling the purchasing of gift cards and Thank-you cards. So far one card has been handed out, with more to be distributed during the week.

**3.3 Books for Social Worker and School:** 9 new books have been purchased and distributed to Mrs. Robertson, who was very appreciative and already able to use the books. Books purchased were posted on the Facebook page.

3.4 Gym: 4 new gym mats, 1 set of dodgeballs, 7 soccer balls and 10 microplay balls (\$1998.68) were purchased for the gym. They have already been distributed, used and enjoyed!

3.5 Ninja Creami: The council discussed and approved the purchase of a ninja creami (\$168) through email correspondence. The ice cream maker can be used by all staff and students as well as the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. Kelly Leblanc made sure to order supplies to use with the creami when it was purchased and it has already been used and enjoyed.

3.6 Sports 101: Through email correspondence the council agreed to sponsor Sports 101 \$295, to offset the cost for participants (there will still be a fee for the students participating). Mrs. Ree is offering the students a chance to participate in bowling and golfing (Gull Lake Golf Course).

3.7 Artwork: Jason Nixon gifted the school three paintings to display, council had them framed at Michael's for \$71, thank-you Kelly for handling this for the board. The artwork can be seen on display in the library.

3.8 Gaga Ball Pit Signage: Suzanne Bergeron is currently waiting for a quote for a stand alone sign that can be displayed at the Gaga Ball pit with all the rules on display.

3.9 Supplies: Watercolor paper and brushes were purchased and delivered.

#### **4.0 New Business**

4.1 Thank- You Cards: There were 90 entries made towards the Thank-You card contest, by Grade 1-6 students. All contestants' names will go into a draw for a prize. The top 10 students will all receive a small prize for their work. The top 4 Thank-You cards have been chosen by the board. 1st place will receive a cash prize as well as a surprise prize. 2nd, 3rd and 4th will all receive a cash prize. These Thank-You cards will be distributed by the board and staff for events and donations. Allison Goodwin motions to increase the budget for the Thank-You cards by \$20 for a total of \$145 for costs and prizes. Kim Poulsen seconds. Carried.

4.2 Teacher Appreciation Week: Ashley Fowler has some great ideas and would like to spearhead the Teacher Appreciation gift. Suzanne Bergeron motions to approve up to \$200 for Ashley Fowler to use in regards to a one day celebration for Teachers. Kim Poulsen seconds. Carried.

4.3 Town Council Meeting: Kelly Leblanc attended the town council meeting on Monday, March 10, 2025 on behalf of the Foundation and will be continuing to do so a few times a year.

4.4 Options Class: The Options Class has requested funds to purchase 5 board games

- Catan Junior
- Zombie Kids
- Ticket to Ride
- Sleeping Queens Card Games
- Taco Card Game

Thank-you to Nicole Fox for donating the game "Ticket to Ride." Suzanne Bergeron has agreed to look into acquiring these board games either through donation or purchase of new. Suzanne

Bergeron motions to approve the spending of up to \$250 on these specific board games, for the Options Class. Kim Poulsen seconds. Carried.

4.5 Mini Hoops: Volunteer Coach Gifts needed. Suzanne Bergeron motions to approve up to \$200 to be given to the Mini Hoops Coordinators for gifts for the coaches. Kim Poulsen seconds. Carried.

4.6 Sidewalk Chalk: Allison Goodwin motions to spend up to \$150 on sidewalk chalk. Alannah Bancroft seconds. Carried.

4.7 Kitchen Supplies: A set of kid safe chopping tools for the kitchen have been requested. Thank-you Alannah Bancroft for donating some to the school.

4.8 Admin Support Appreciation: Kim Poulsen has agreed to purchase a gift for Bre Button for Wednesday, April 23, 2025. Allison Goodwin motions to approve up to \$75 towards an Admin Support Appreciation gift. Kim Poulsen seconds. Carried.

4.9 Sandbox: With the warm weather approaching the Foundation is looking into maintenance and supplies (such as wasp decoys) needed for the sandbox. Allison Goodwin motions to approve up to \$100 for sandbox maintenance. Alannah Bancroft seconds. Carried.

4.10 Gym: The gym is in need of:

- Weighted cones (3 sets)
- Rubber critters (2 sets)
- Topple Tube Set

Kelly Leblanc looked into purchasing these items through Gopher Sport. After receiving the quote and board discussion the Foundation has declined the purchase of these new gym items. Thank-you to Kelly for looking into a quote.

4.11 Mural: Last section of the mural to be completed around grade 5-6 doors (west doors). Kelly has offered to email the artist previously used for murals and hopefully get her booked to complete the mural in the nicer weather. Nicole Fox motions to spend up to \$2,500 on the mural for the west doors. Allison Goodwin seconds. Carried.

4.12 Wish List Committee: The board has recognized all the work it takes to fulfill the wish list not only by purchasing items but also the research for quotes and presentation to the board for approval. The board has agreed that in September there will be a request for a Wish List Committee to work together to fulfil this large task.

## **5.0 Fundraising**

5.1 50/50 Raffle: The online raffle will run Tuesday, April 1, 2025 until Monday, May 12, 2025. Suzanne Bergeron and Jenni Whatmore will be getting together Thursday, March 13, 2025 to get the raffle set up and will notify through email of the progress.

5.2 Bottle Drive: We are hopeful to complete a bottle drive through the local bottle depot again for Earth Day in April. Currently awaiting confirmation from the bottle depot. Nicole Fox has offered to do a follow up with the bottle depot. Once confirmed Bre Button will send an email to parents with all the information.

5.3 Easter Cinnamon Bun Fundraiser: The board has discussed and declined the idea of a Easter Fundraiser as the Grade 6 class will be holding a seafood fundraiser at that time.

5.4 Autism Awareness Cookie Fundraiser: Cookies can be purchased until Wednesday, March 12, 2025. Cookies have also been advertised throughout town for \$4, if others are interested in supporting the cause. All monies raised from this fundraiser will go towards new sensory items. Thank- you Liz Lowe for your donation of 6 sensory hedgehogs which can be viewed on the Council Facebook page.

5.5 Co-op BBQ: Friday, June 13, 2025 at 10am until 2pm. We will need 4-5 volunteers to help with the BBQ. All funds raised will go towards the Outdoor Classroom

5.6 Chili Cook Off: Still waiting to hear from the Town Council, Kelly Leblanc submitted the application before Christmas.

5.7 Save the Date: Chili Cook Off will take place Saturday, September 18, 2025 at the Paskapoo Park. A deposit cheque will be needed once Town Council confirms.

5.8 Breakfast with Santa: Tentatively the Santa Night will be held Saturday, November 29, 2025 from 10am until 2pm. Unfortunately, after board discussions there is uncertainty that the Santa Night will be happening as there is currently not enough commitment from volunteers. The Santa Night conversation has been tabled until the meeting in May 2025.

5.9 Next of Kin: Mug Night declined.

5.10 Rogers Fundraiser: Ashley Fowler would like to host a fundraiser with Roger's for the library. The board members are in full support of Ashley handing this new fundraiser.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 5pm

**Adjournment:** Kelly Leblanc adjourned meeting at 8:03pm