

Rocky Lane School
Council Meeting Agenda
December 7, 2016 @ 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Leanne Mercredi (Chair), Pamela Kipling (Vice Chair), Ken Scrimshaw, Kristy Adekat, Natalie Morris, Emily Archibald, Theresa Croy, Lori Aliche, Daryl VanPatten, Hayden Mercredi, Brook Croy

Recorder: Elsie Croy

1.0 Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM

2.0 Additions/Deletions to Agenda: Remove 5.3 Parent Fundraising Report. 7.1 New Business – School Council Chairs Meeting.

3.0 Acceptance of Last Meeting Minutes: Minutes accepted as presented.

4.0 Action Items from November 11, 2016:

5.3 Natalie will discuss with the Student Council the idea of having a computer set-up for students to speak about bullying and what it means to them:

6.1 Natalie will contact Clark McAskile to discuss concerns within the school council and what are next steps will be: Richard Marshal has resigned and the board accepted the resignation, will not replace the schools trustee until October when the regular scheduled election will occur. Action item completed.

6.2 Natalie will book another Grade 6 parent meeting to decide on the final details of their fieldtrip: Grade 6 have developed a plan for the fundraising event, they will be going to Edmonton; if the funds are not raised a month prior they will go camping instead. Action item completed.

5.0 Reports:

5.1 Principals Report: The newsletter has been updated as requested by School Council. The bus app on the web page is strongly encourage for parents to download the app, then filter the app to their designated school/route. Would still like to have a call go out to families if there are any changes in the bus route. Christmas concert December 21 at 7:00 PM students are excited and the grade 12 will be decorating the gym and cover the tables so the kids can be entertained during the event. There will be silent auction items for the Grade 6 field trip. How is the Student Council being operated? Just had the elections for Student

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Represent Council this past Monday, have not approached the student council to attend the school council meetings. What things do the student council do? Each class picked a male and a female class representative. Asked the representatives what type of governing body they will follow. They made nominations and the students could accept or decline the nomination. They organized a pajama day and face painting day and some of those funds are going to go towards a turkey shoot. They also mentioned some service recognitions. How are the committees tied into the student council? Each committee/student council are separate entities. This is a great learning experience for the younger students and will teach them how to represent their classroom/community.

5.2 Trustee Report: No report available.

5.3 Parent Fundraising Report: Removed from agenda.

6.0 Old Business:

6.1 School Council Bylaws: Reviewed the school council operating procedures to ensure everyone present agreed on the new operating procedures instead of operating on Bylaws. Briefly explain how we decided on which method the school council what to be operated by. Would like to draw more parents into the school council meeting and encourage them to participate with fundraising events. Leanne motions to approve the operating procedures with amendments.

6.2 Committee Report: Would like to have a committee update on what is happening within their committee. Met a couple times this year and mapped out the events that we would like to host. Once a month would like to have an author of the month where a student is picked to share their writing with the school. Also choosing an author this month highlighting their work. Read a story over the intercom. Will be planning a literacy gala at the end of the year. Will also have an unveiling of the student's books.

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6.3 Nutrition Funding: Questioned if the school division considered Rocky Lane school to be part of the pilot nutrition funding. This should be address with the superintendent or the assistant superintendent regarding this question.

7.0 New Business:

7.1 School Council Chairs Meeting: Tomorrow night the school board is having a meeting with all the school council chairs at the Mirage; during this meeting they discuss what is happening at the division level and give opportunity for discussion and round table of what is happening at the schools. Would like to discuss that as a school council we are moving forward in a positive direction with the assistance of ASCA presentation at the end of 2015-2016 school year. Would like to acknowledge the 2 fathers are making an effort to attend our monthly meetings. Like to know on how we are improving our children's education. Are also benefiting from a responsive principal/vice principal. Would like to brainstorm with the other chairs on what is working well with their school council and what their struggles are with hosting the School Council Meetings. Having a committee report within the school council meeting is encouraging to staff members that we as parents are interested in what is happening in their children's school. As a community school one of the bigger issue is with transportation for students to attend activities but due to personal circumstances they are not able to attend after school events.

8.0 Date/Time of Next Meeting: January 11, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Child Lake Community Centre.

9.0 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM

