

**Rockwood Public School**  
School Council Meeting Minutes  
October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Virtual Attendance:** Lisa Seegmiller, Allison McLaughlin, Jody Kitson-Roy, Elizabeth Graham, Melanie Zadow, Marcia Knockleby, Candace Rose-Smith, Carolyn Marshall, Darcy Greer, Vikki Bartlett, Nick Tabbert.

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, we were not able to meet in person at the school. A virtual meeting was set up by Jody Kitson-Roy; principal, through Google Meets for 6pm. The meeting was led by last year's co-chair Candace Rose-Smith. Candace gave a breakdown of what Parent Council entails. Introductions were done by each person in attendance.

**Principal/Vice-Principal Report:**

- Jody summarized staffing for this new school year
- there are new signs posted for social distancing, hand washing, etc
- Jody noted that everyone has been spectacular with following the new rules
- students use cloth masks or masks provided by the School Board
- outdoor (recess) is going well with student cohorts on a rotation in designated areas
- there are approximately 65 students enrolled in Remote Synchronous Learning (online), 3 of Rockwood staff teach virtually (with many virtual classrooms)
- cars and buses line up for pickup and drop off
- new math curriculum implemented by the government with coaches available for the staff
- Vikki Bartlett posed a question about ventilation, Jody said that Rockwood's ventilation system is sufficient and runs 2 hours before and after daily occupancy (the system was inspected and cleaned prior to the school start-up), a portable ventilation system was also added to the isolation room
- Darci Greer asked what Rockwood's outdoor weather policy is, Jody explained that the kids go outside if there is a light rain, but not a downpour, if the temperature is colder than -22° it will be an indoor recess. The key is appropriate dress

**Dates and Events:**

- Terry Fox run was held over 2 days with class cohorts

**Parent Voice:**

- Candace asked everyone present for suggestions for online meetings. It was suggested to try "bring-a-friend". This would maybe encourage a bigger attendance at future meetings.

**Elections:**

**School Council Chair**

- Melanie nominated Candace Rose-Smith for Chair, with Elizabeth seconding. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed with Candace as Chair. **CARRIED**

**School Council Secretary**

- Elizabeth Graham nominated Melanie Zadow for secretary, seconded by Candace Rose-Smith. There were no other nominations. Melanie accepted. **CARRIED**

**Minutes**

Minutes from the January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 meeting were not available. Jody suggested we read the minutes from both tonight and the January meeting at the next meeting.

**Old Business:**

- there was no old business

The next virtual meeting was scheduled for **November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6 pm.**  
Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Melanie Zadow, Secretary