

Rockwood Public School
School Council Meeting Minutes
January 20th, 2022

Virtual Attendance: Jody Kitson-Roy, Melanie Zadow, Lisa Seegmiller, Candace Rose-Smith, Elizabeth Graham, Nick Tabbert, Kara Buelow

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic, we were not able to meet in person at the school. This meeting was held virtually through Google Meet. Co-Chair, Elizabeth Graham called the meeting to order at 6:04pm. Approval of the November 30th, 2021 meeting minutes were tabled until the next Council meeting.

Principal/Vice-Principal Report:

- the Covid-19 School and Childcare Screening has been updated and must be completed daily with Kindergarten to grade 3 having to submit paper proof of screening daily
- at present time there is no contact tracing or reporting of Covid positive cases
- the school is to notify the local health unit if the absentee rate of staff and students reaches 30%
- kindergarten students are now required to wear masks, this is a Renfrew County District School Board and Renfrew County Catholic District School Board mandate not Ministry
- there are some masks available for students at the office
- there was 16 hepa units added to some classrooms, but not enough available for every room
- these hepa units were placed in kindergarten rooms and rooms that don't have mechanical ventilation, in rooms that have students with medical exemption from masks and in rooms that have immuno-compromised individuals
- rapid antigen tests (RATS) in a box of 5 were given out to students prior to the Christmas break
- this week another package of 2 tests were sent home with students
- vaccination clinics will be held at schools in the coming weeks
- N95 masks have been made available for staff
- check out the Rockwood School website for Rockwood clothing, this is also posted on the Facebook page

Dates and Events:

- Wednesday, February 2nd is the next PA day
- the next dates for meetings will be Thursday March 24th and May 12th all dates at 6pm
- PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) meeting dates are April 4th, 2022 and June 6th, 2022 at 6pm
- upcoming school events and activities are January 25th grad photos, January 28th beach day, additional days will be posted on the Rockwood face book page

Graduation:

Grade 8 graduation has been held virtually for the last two years due to Covid. It is unknown at this time how grad will be held for this year.

Fundraising:

- field trips are allowed but bussing availability is limited
- pizza and sub days are currently being held
- milk orders are currently running
- several different options of fundraising have been added to the fundraising list
- we need to replace the condemned swing set that was removed in the fall, there was discussion of running the Little Caesar's Pizza fundraiser to help support the purchase of a new swing set

Elizabeth expressed thanks to all staff for all their hard work and making the school safe. Meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm.

Melanie Zadow,
Secretary