

## Rossville School SCC Meeting Minutes March 16,2021

### Present:

Kristina Gutenburg, Lisa Rechenmacher, Crystal Klassen, Julia Watton, Andy Hubenig, Melinda Ells, Nova Ferguson, Cassandra Kirby

Lisa Rechenmacher opened the meeting at 5:46pm

### Guests:

Michele Whitfield

**Review minutes of last meeting:** Nova Ferguson.

Nova makes a motion to move the adoption of her minutes, Melinda seconds, all in favor, carried.

**Additions to the Agenda:** N/A

**Correspondence:** N/A

**Treasurer's Report** – Grant Account: \$ 2,180.27  
Fundraising Acct: \$ 3,751.33

Outstanding Bills to pay: Hot lunch Bill to be paid to Lisa R.

Melinda E makes a motion to pay all outstanding bills, Nova Ferguson seconds, all in favor, carried.

Kristina G moves the adoption of her report, Andy H seconds, all in favor, carried.

### Principal's Report for SCC Meeting March 16, 2021

We are enjoying the nice weather although that means we are getting more water and mud in the school playground. I would suggest that parents send an extra pair of socks with students in case they get wet. We have had several wet socks in the morning especially if there is water around as students walk to school.

Classes are progressing well. The kindergarten to grade 2 students have planted seeds and they are growing nicely. In Grade 4 students have been learning about light and will soon be developing their own spy device using what they have learned about light. Grade 5 students are studying about simple machines. This is always an exciting unit as they get to create their own simple machines using the items in the makerspace. Grade 6 students are studying electricity and the grade 7 students are learning about solutions and mixtures which will end with them having to solve a mystery using the knowledge they have learned.

Our writing goal has really taken off in the last few months. All of the students have been posting their writing on Seesaw and sharing it with the other schools. In February we all shared a writing piece about how to do something. It was great to see the different ideas everyone came up with. We continue to spend time learning how to add more details into our writing by using adjectives and adverbs which help to make the writing more exciting. In the next few weeks all the students will be sharing poems that

they and by the end of the year we will be writing a few 5 paragraph essays in the older grades and some short stories in all the classes. We spend a lot of time on learning the different stages of writing and have been encouraging the students to use the graphic organizers to help focus their writing and ideas.

We are starting to discuss awards night, grade 7 farewell and kindergarten graduation. We are currently being told that we can plan to have the events outside at this time. Still with no food or drinks. We are thinking that to divide the events in two nights. We have picked June 9th for the kindergarten graduation and the 16th for awards and Grade 7 farewell. Any ideas or suggestions regarding this would be welcomed.

Easter activities are being planned. We are hoping to do an Easter Egg Hunt for kindergarten to grade 3 outside. If the SCC would like to help in planning the activity and putting out the eggs for the kids that would be awesome. The Grade 4 to 7 students will do a scavenger hunt around the town. Joleen is planning this. We are planning the activities for April 1st. If the weather is not cooperating, we will move the events inside.

#### **Old Business:**

Bike stands will be purchased by the SCC, pending communication with Jody's Welding. Lisa will call and get a price towards two bike stands.

Chair meeting on Feb.10 which our Chair Lisa R attended. Bringing back some more knowledge on resources for stress during the last year of the pandemic, the importance of making space for families to communicate those stresses and changes. Reminder on how powerfully useful the resource bank is, and we should hold an other step by step approach on teaching parents how to use it.

Teacher Appreciation Week, Gifts were received with great affirmation.

#### **New Business:**

March and April Hot Lunch will be further discussed on our Facebook messenger chat group. Date set for March 26<sup>th</sup> to include the Kindergartens. Principle informed us that no hands on with food prep at this time.

April AGM has yet to be determined.

Email sent out on Practising Meaningful Engagement for SCC to look over, take notes and discuss later.

Cassandra had information about a possible Sports Day in the month of June. SCC will not be able to provide meals, but hopefully hands on parent engagement.

**Next Meeting:** April 20<sup>th</sup> 5:40pm Via Zoom call

Lisa Rechenmacher closes the meeting at: 6:10pm

