

ROTHESAY PARK SCHOOL PARENT SCHOOL SUPPORT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MEETING DATE: February 5, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Chair: Mary Ann Mackay

Present: Tammy Doherty, Julie Matthews, Laura Henry, Lisa Tran, Mary Ann Mackay, Linda Sherbo, Lauren Anderson, Robin LeRoy, Julie Cyr

Regrets: Twila Williams, Sherry-Ann Soodan, Robyn McMullen

1. Welcome
2. Review and approval of the agenda - **APPROVED**
3. Review and approval of November 27th meeting minutes - **APPROVED**
4. Business arising from the minutes:
 - Follow-up from Item #4 (CAR parent presentation)
Action: Harry Miller Middle School is organizing an evening on resiliency, legalization of marijuana, etc. Parents of RPS will be invited to attend on February 21st. Tammy will send out more info.
5. New Business:
 - A. Principal's Report:
 1. Global competencies – Julie Cyr
 - 6 competencies in which students will become proficient throughout their schooling – cross-curricular
 - Staff and students have had presentations on this
 - UNESCO Global Goals – 2030
 2. Tell Them From Me – Nov 8 – Dec. 7, students completed the online survey
 - 67.1% felt they were working at their own pace – above both district and province
 - Many other questions were also ranked highly
 - 83.8% feel they are able to use their strengths at school
 - Staff will look at the data to inform the school improvement plan
 3. School improvement plan – Goal 1
 - District Math benchmark coming up in March (showing some work first before they get the multiple choice questions)

- Science assessment in May – much more skills based
 - ACTION: another goal will be sent out.
4. Math results are not complete so will be presented at another time. This is benchmark information that is for teachers' use to help drive instruction.
 5. RNS is going to team with RPS to offer a debating team.
 6. Julie Lizotte, Science Lead, introducing Lego robotics – will team up with RNS.
 7. STEP program – is working in all of the classes. Effective proactive programming: yellow folder travels with the class and each class has the same goals which are predictable and specific. STEP is the more formal program.
 8. \$1700 from Peter Smith - \$500 into GSA group (designing a banner), advisory classes, MindUp resources, \$500 for Social Emotional Learning (staff book study + guest speaker)
- B. Cafeteria menu – Mary Ann. The menu stays the same throughout the school year.
6. Once around the table:
 - Linda – District Improvement Plan and links for the ends policies, DEC vacancy in sub-district 4 (lower west /west Saint John) if you know anyone who might be interested, the new school slated for the south end of Saint John will not be going forward, Auditor General's audit on Education will lead to a task force
 - Mary Ann – Healthy Learners Nurses newsletter coming out
 7. Next meeting: **April 30, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**
 8. Adjournment – 8:35 pm