# Rockingstone School Advisory Council October 25, 2022

**School Advisory Council (via zoom)**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**In Attendance**: Amy Weedon, Caitlin Brooks, Andrea Doy, Greg White, Joe Quigley, Amanda Marriott, Justine Alchorn, Julie Singer

**Regrets**: Kendall Erickson, Lisa Stone

1. Call to order – Amy
2. Membership Updates
3. Approve June Minutes

* New Membership – Joe Quigley, Amanda Marriott, Kendall Erickson, Justine Alchorn
* Student updates – we do not have student representatives currently
* Teacher updates –

1. **Old business –** No old business (First Meeting of the year).

1. **New business**
   1. School admin highlights – Amy.
   2. SAC balance $‎10‎,‎046‎.‎59‎
   3. SAC funds for this year are to be determined
2. **Next meeting dates –**

-November 22nd at 6:00pm via ZOOM,

-January 24th,

-February 21st

- April 18th

-Last Meeting May/June (TBA)

1. **Adjournment** – Joe and Amanda

**Report from Administration –**

October 25, 2022

* Enrollment and Staffing update: 380 students There are 11 elementary classes and 4 junior high classes. We have an additional teacher this year, (Bethanie Smith) and her role is to support with P-2 literacy. Two Full EAL teachers, One Full Time School Counsellor, SLP, Social Worker, African Nova Scotia Support Worker and a full Schools Plus staff. Currently we do not have an Aboriginal Support Worker or Psychologist.
* PD – Literacy, Math and Content Specific areas, Tienet Review, and the Teaching Standards
* P-2 Literacy, Grade 8 Math Learning Agendas, Grade 4-6 Computational Fluency

Amy- Expectation is to collect School Based Data in these areas to inform Teacher Practice and to move students forward.

* Grade Six Assessments (prep and dates written)- Students have written October 11th, 13th, 24th and 26th. Grade 6 Teachers have done a lot of preparation throughout the month of September so students are prepared. We spoke about the process with members and how we will receive results from the province in a few months.
* Breakfast Program Updates – Donation from the local Catholic Church Stella Maris. Our budget is $20,500 and we are currently spending a few hundred dollars more than past few years. This is due to inflation and the rising cost of groceries. Looking to reach out to other donors to support with our program. Also, we are looking at ways to save money (hot breakfast monthly).
* Math Coaching – Krista Ford (5-6) and Joann Sanford (7-8). Supported our teachers for 5-6 weeks with Math practice.
* Lunch Program Partnership with Family SOS. Has been a huge hit since being implemented last year. It will continue being twice a week (P-4 classes on Tuesday, 5-8 on Thursday).
* GSA (Fridays at lunch) Gender and Sexualities Alliance-Supervised by Ms. Whitney (School Councillor).
* Yoga, various sporting teams have started. We have a lot of interest from students.
* Equity Team Updates:

Amy- has reviewed the history of the RCH Policy and how it derived from the present Equity Team. She explained how the Equity Team falls under the umbrella of CRP, Human Rights and Provincial Code of Conduct. We have a school-based Equity Team here to support with the education to students and staff. More training will be provided to staff and looking to start up a student led team in the near future.

* Assessment Evaluation Day November 21, Report Cards will go home Nov 28-30, Parent Teacher Interviews December 1, December 2 PD Day
* Field Trips – P-2 Noggins, 6 Milk Sport Fair 3-5 Swimming.
* NEXT MEETING: Will discuss our budget. There has been some discussion to use some of the funds for leveled books for our Primary/One class and Math Manipulatives for Grades 4-6 Class. More discussion on these items in our next meeting.

Next Meeting- Tuesday, November 22nd