

# Rockford School Council

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## Minutes for Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Time: 6:30-8pm

Attendees: Thane J., Monica O., Delia J., Anna K., Ivana L-M., and multiple parents and teachers via Zoom – attendance not taken, total of 29 individuals.

### 1. Welcome

### 2. Approval of Minutes from March 4, 2020 meeting

Motion – Anna Kornits, Seconded – Reena Kumar – Approved. Minutes will be posted on Rockford website.

### 3. Principal's/Vice-Principal's Report

#### 3a) School Council Appreciation

- grateful for the partnership to support the children
- financial support for fun learning activities - athletics, buses, School Technology, Performances, Rain Day puzzles
- the students really look forward to the pizza lunch / very enjoyable fund raiser

#### 3b) Guiding Principles for Remote Learning

1. Prioritize the health and well-being of everyone.
2. Focus on the continuation of learning in a variety of ways.
3. Maintain relationships and connection to one another.
4. Engage all students, especially those who have historically been underserved and those who may not be able to participate effectively in remote learning for a variety of reasons. In other words, we want to remain in contact with students and their families, even if they are not able to submit work or participate in learning sessions.
5. Build staff capacity to be effective in this remote space.

#### 3c) Access to School

Communication in the form of a:

- letter to outline the goal

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- a protocol to follow and
- an access request form to complete to support controlling distancing

### 3d) Report Cards

- as shared in the Board's last assessment newsletter
- the Kindergarten Communication of Learning and Report Cards for all families for which we have emails will be distributed centrally through School Messenger by SIS
- Ministry Statement on Report Cards- The Ministry mandated report card comment: "This report card is for a reporting period that included provincially-mandated school closure from March 13, 2020 – June 30, 2020." will be added to all Report Cards
- if there is insufficient data or student work due to the closure an "I" will be the reported grade with a statement indicating the closure
- distribution of the Report Cards will occur between June 22 to 26

### 3f) IEPs

- for those students with IEPs, a two-page IEP Summary will be sent and that they may request the full IEP by contacting their school administrator
- considering our current context, the two page IEP Summary will be sent home in June for all students with and IEP
- The two page IEP Summary includes:
  - Demographic Information
  - Reason for the Development of the IEP
  - Subjects, Courses, or Alternative Programming to Which the IEP Applies
  - Profile of Strengths and Needs
  - Accommodations (Instructional, Environmental and Assessment)
  - TDSB Human Resources
  - June 2020 Review
- Upon parental requests, administrators have local autonomy to make decisions around printing and mailing or encrypting and emailing IEP to families
- Administrators may print and mail the hard copy IEP
- Distribution will occur by June 19

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## 3g) Classroom Organization

- very full FI classes
- grade 4 / 5 FI -> 35 students
- the model was approved by the Superintendent
- this will be the Organization Model pending on enrollment in September

FDK A
FDK B
FDK C
FDK D
FDK E
1A
1B
1 2A
1 2B
2A
2B
3A
3B
3C
3 4
4
4 5
5A
5 6
6A HSP
6B
FDK FI A
FDK FIB
1 FIA
1 FIB
2 FIA
2 3 FIB
3 4 FI
4 5 FI

## 3h) Graduation

- Activities organized by teachers
- School graduation will be organized in the Fall

## 3i) Staffing Updates

Welcome back to Ms. Dhingra & Ms. Hand from their respective leaves of absence. Both are now back to work full-time.

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Thanks and appreciation to departing staff:

Ms. Fetterly

Ms. Ong

Ms. Irina Witkowska

Mme Goldstein )

Ms. T. Thompson (LTO)

Ms. Bankole (LTO)

Ms. Mann (LTO)

Ms. Derevyanko (LTO)

## 3j) Photos

- Connect with the Photographer to have the pictures mailed home / at an extra cost
- Or please wait for school delivery in the Fall
- "If parents would like it shipped home at a reduced cost of \$4.99, they will need to contact our customer service to make this request and to make payment arrangements. Parents will need to include the school name and city, along with the child's name and student number." Phone number: 1-888-416-3343

## 3k) Year Review

- We are grateful for School Council and community for supporting the school and the children
- Grateful to the staff for supporting the learning through this exceptional and unprecedented times
- We know this is not the way we expected to end the school year
- We want to wish all of our students and families health and wellness
- Please continue to communicate with your classroom teachers
- We all want our students to be engaged
- We trust and hope that in the fall when we can be together again in hopefully a more familiar way
  
- From all of the Rockford Staff, have a safe and healthy summer

## **4. School Council Report**

- a. Pizza update- information was shared with the parents who had kids order pizza online
  - i. Full refund was provided in error and parents are asked to repay

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## *b. Ward Meetings*

- i. We don't know what September will look like
  - ii. Lot of committees and subcommittees that are planning social distancing and everything and then you are introducing children and it becomes a challenge to keep them at a social distance
  - iii. May result at staggered entries
  - iv. How do we manage portables? Calling back long-term occasional teachers and bringing them back to school
  - v. Survey will be going out next week Board wide asking parents what their feelings are and what would make them comfortable, how they feel about sending children back to school
  - vi. How will other classes change- music, gym classes and also transportation
  - vii. Fundraising- is pizza lunch still on the table? No answer, but need to consider the fundraising next year
- c. Is there a plan to compensate for the lack of education due to COVID-19?
- i. Teachers are to do diagnostic assessment and then work on the plan to move them forward
  - ii. Will there be any adjustments to what was lost?
    1. Will need to cover in first couple of months next year with catching up to what was lost.
  - iii. What are the plans for the Summer school?
    1. 9h-12h for Grades 1-3
    2. This will most likely be done virtually
  - iv. Parental feedback
    1. Set up a survey on parental feedback- what worked, what has not worked with the COVID19 teaching
    2. How did this experience work for your family?
    3. Can be filled out anonymously
    4. Over the course over few months' direction from the board has been changing so please consider that when filling the survey (guidance is 5 hours of learning / week for primary students)
  - v. School staff are enjoying Google Classroom and have been taking professional development
  - vi. 122 paper packages that went out
  - vii. Thane to speak with the board security and see about chaining the school parking lot at the end of last shift

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- d. Next meeting- plan the meeting in September depending in which format the school will start
- e. First day of school is September 8<sup>th</sup>, so we are looking to do it the Sept 16<sup>th</sup>. We can consider moving it a week later depending if adjustments are needed once school starts.

## 5. School Day

- day will be shifting next school year- start at 9:10am and 3:40pm  
Lunch hour 11:55am - 12:55pm (11:55am - 12:10pm to eat and go outside at 12:10pm)  
Narie Ju-Hong will try to inform the Antibes Community Care

**Meeting adjourned: 8:10pm**

