



**Robert Hopkins School Council**

# Record of Discussion

**Thursday, September 21st, 2023**

**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

1) Welcome, introductions and thank you's (Everyone)

- Jamie McCallum, Co-Chair (outgoing)
- Alanna Twohey, Co-Chair
- Kristin Bowden, Secretary (outgoing)
- Nathalie Sharma, Principal
- Jennifer Grimsby, Teacher Representative
- Heather Forsyth
- Alexandra Arraiz
- Matthew McFadden (Treasurer)
- Annalee Rice
- Chayanika Lutes,
- Jen Jones-Miller
- Glenda McGill
- Em Damiani
- Janet Hare
- Nick Fundytus
- Donna Kind (Communications Chair)

- Maria Blahoianu
  - Sarah McGregor
- 2) Land acknowledgement (Alanna)
  - 3) What is School Council? (Alanna)
    - Scope and Purpose
    - Recap of Last Year's Activities
    - Review of Roles and Responsibilities
  - 4) Executive Committee Elections
    - Co-Chairs: Alanna Twohey and Heather Forsyth
    - Treasurer: Matthew McFadden
    - Secretary: Annalee Rice
    - Communications Chair: Nick Fundytus
    - Fundraising Chair: Jamie McCallum
    - Diversity Chair: Em Damiani
    - Voting Members: All but Chayanika
  - 5) Treasurer's Update (Matthew McFadden)

Review of Current budget Balances:

\$12,890 raised via silent auction at Fun Fair

\$16,813 Total Raised last year

\$Budgeted for \$9,880 last year, however we spent only \$5009

Sept 2023 balance \$15,909

Upcoming events: Welcome Back BBQ and Glow Run

Budget items suggested: RHOP Council T-Shirts

6) School Updates:

Admin Report (Nathalie)

- Mission Statement / Motto / Mascot / Mural Process
- School Organization 2023-2024
- RHOP Welcome Assembly 2023 – Kindness, Respect, Acceptance
- Staff Asks:
  - i. \$3000 for Decodables books
  - ii. \$500 for Sports Equipment
  - iii. \$2000 for Blues in the Schools and Luv2Groove
  - iv. \$2000-\$3000 for Mural by Local Artist
- Motion to approve \$3500 for sports equipment and decodables by Maria Blahoianu, Seconded by Donna Kind, all in favour
- Motion to approve \$1000 for Literacy support Materials by Nick Fundytus, Seconded by Jamie McCallum, all in favour

Teacher's Report (Jennifer Grimsby)

7) Event – Welcome Back BBQ (Maria)

- On Meet the Teacher night – October 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 to 7:00pm
- Volunteers and next year's coordinator needed
- To approach Tim Tierney to borrow BBQ
- PRO Grant funds available for translator / interpreter to give school tour in Arabic

- Small translated pamphlets about RHOP Council to be distributed during BBQ
- 8) Event – Glo Run (Alanna & Em)
- Review and call for volunteers
- 9) School Directory
- 10) Roundtable
- New School Photographer – Life Touch
  - T-Shirts for Council Members (to be provided by Nick Fundytus) – Purple t-shirts with yellow writing RHOP School council on front and back, logo on sleeve
  - Gift for Kim and Gary (bus driver): request for cash donations and card, flowers for Gary

Next Meeting: October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @6:30-8:00pm, RHOP

Meeting Adjourned at 8:22pm