

**ROTHESAY PARK SCHOOL
PARENT SCHOOL SUPPORT COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

MEETING DATE: October 20th, 6:30 pm

Chair: Mary Ann Mackay

Present: Tammy Derrah, Mary Ann Mackay, Julie Matthews, Lisa Tran, Laura Henry, Sherry-Ann Soodan, Robyn McMullen, Tiffany Mackay French, Tim Wetzel

Regrets: Michael Johnston, Lauren Anderson

1. Welcome and introductions – new and returning members. No DEC member assigned yet.
2. Review and approval of the agenda – Approved
3. New Business:
 - A. Role of PSSC – Mary Ann gave a brief overview of the role of the PSSC
 - B. Principal's Report – Tammy
 - enrollment is down (192)
 - Covid-19 updates: class bubbles, outside equipment, Operational Plan is updated monthly, 2 homeroom periods each day (beginning and end of the day), lunch is divided into 15 mins to eat and 15 mins to play outside (in winter they will have various rooms inside to accommodate class bubbles as well as outside play as an option)
 - current School Improvement Plan (SIP) expires in 2021 so staff will look at this in December during professional learning day and will ask for PSSC feedback in January
 - Order of the Maple Leaf is continuing with a virtual celebration in Feb/Mar
 - Parent-Teacher conferences will be virtual/phone call
 - PSSC budget is \$511.20 – to be discussed during December meeting
 - no cafeteria until after Christmas
 - Student leadership will continue this year albeit in a different format
 - recycling will be collected by leadership students and go to the KV Old Boys
 - Julie mentioned how impressed she has been, from a teacher perspective, with how quickly students have adjusted to the new routines and expectations
 - C. Signing of declarations/PSSC paperwork – Tammy
 - to come home with our child, sign and send back to the school
 - D. Minister's Excellence in Education Awards (Anglophone Sector) – Mary Ann reminded everyone of the link and this award program
4. Once around the table
 - A. Tiffany expressed her appreciation regarding the communication coming from the school, especially this year as many things are different and continue to evolve.

B. Sherry-Ann asked about the instructional minutes and Tammy explained that RPS does fulfill the required minutes of instruction. RPS does have a shorter lunch break and the activity period was instituted to provide other time for a variety of activities. Currently not happening due to Covid-19

5. Next meeting: **December 8, 2020 @ 6:30 pm**

6. Adjournment – 7:45 pm, moved by Sherry-Ann, seconded by Lisa.