

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

R.A. Riddell Elementary



Thursday October 17, 2024, 6:30 p.m., Library Learning Commons

Attendees:

- Ms. Sweeting
- Ms. McLaughlin
- Erin Gingras
- Dayna Ford
- Danielle Prouty
- Maria Romain
- Deirdre Springstead
- Jessica White
- Lara Mager
- Sabina Marrone
- Aveen Hussain
- Ashely Boers

1. Call to Order at 6:35pm
2. Land Acknowledgment read by Dayna
3. Principal reports/Teacher Report from Kelly Sweeting
 - EQAO results are in:

Grade 3

	<u>School</u>	<u>Board</u>	<u>Provincial</u>	<u>2022-2023 Results</u>
<u>Math</u>	<u>53%</u>	<u>51%</u>	<u>61%</u>	<u>+11%</u>
<u>Reading</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>67%</u>	<u>71%</u>	<u>+19%</u>
<u>Writing</u>	<u>57%</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>67%</u>	<u>+6%</u>

Grade 6

	<u>School</u>	<u>Board</u>	<u>Provincial</u>	<u>2022-2023 Results</u>
<u>Math</u>	<u>36%</u>	<u>36%</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>+6%</u>
<u>Reading</u>	<u>83%</u>	<u>75%</u>	<u>82%</u>	<u>+19%</u>
<u>Writing</u>	<u>77%</u>	<u>72%</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>+14%</u>

- **Celebration** within Riddell; Feedback from students and teachers – school climate is improving; All feeling calmer post-covid
- **Re-org** impacted a total of 8-10 students
- **Nutrition Program**
Taste Buds funding - \$7,500 first term and will receive likely the same in term 2
PC Grant was denied as we were not deemed high priority.
If parents see new grants to apply for please mention them.
Raffle Baskets raised \$1,200 – proceeds go to nutrition program
- **PRO Grant** – up to \$1,000 – parent engagement – application due November 22
- Bubbleology Show option. Send link to all in attendance
-Other option for family literacy, Erin look into other options
-up to \$1,000
Mad Science – Dayna will seek more information and share.
Cater towards JK-intermediate.
Telling Tales potentially – Jessica White may be able to find more information.
Email Jessica for info.
- **School Announcements**
Teachers can post their announcements to be read in the mornings and then are directly posted onto the website. Can announcements stay online longer? Can we remind parents to look at the announcements? Can we archive announcements? We will let parents know about announcements via Renegade Report; Looking into archiving announcements.
- **October 31 Halloween/Diwali** – honouring all who celebrate
Period 1 and 2 – Halloween parade 9:30am JK-5 Parents can come and watch outside.
Period 3 and 4 – festival of lights/lip sync battle
*Buy glowsticks and acknowledge the festival while students are assembled

Teachers to speak about the Festival of Lights in their classroom

Period 5-6 - Classroom celebrations; For older students: games and movie room if not participating in dance

Food and costumes allowed – NO weapons, masks. Students have to wear all day and/or be able to maneuver themselves.

Teachers can communicate with their class about what types of foods can bring.

- **Ms.Sweeting on behalf of Ms. Smiley re: teacher report**

Intermurals:

Volleyball JR and SR

Swim Team October 29th at Jimmy Thompson

Flag football – play offs this week

Tues/Thurs at 8am Run club

Electives day October 25th Periods 3-6 middle school

Middle school dance on October 31; game room and movies also available

Photo Day November 8th – Creative Imaging

Pizza days/TCBY/popcorn

Terry Fox raised \$3,800 winning class is Ms. Fleet – 1B.

November 21 and 22 are parent interviews.

November 29th before and after school closed.

Next meeting November 14, 2024 at 6:00pm. Moving school council meetings to 6pm moving forward.

4. Adjournment and commencement of Home and School meeting at 7:20pm.