

Minutes of the sixth (6th) meeting of the 2020-2021 ROSEMERE HIGH School Governing Board held on Thursday, March 25, 2021 via ZOOM at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Angie Ladas, Julie Durand, Kristin Crowdis, Marie-Soleil Lecompte, Vicki Fraser, Sophie Lanthier, Jossie Tortorici, Parents; Melissa Chang, Suzanne Charbonneau, Kelly Daly, Jennifer Leduc, Andrea Venditti, Teachers; Sara Mattiget, Non-Teaching Professional Representative; Madison Hungerbuhler, Student Representative; Anne McMullon, Community Representative

Alternate parents:

Also present were: Karen Lorenz, Emily Robinson, Shannon Rudolph, Administration; Olivia Landry, Commissioner; Natasha Varano, Lisa Daraiche, parent guests, Angie Lumia, student teacher,

Regrets: Julie Courtemanche, Sean Evans, Brenda Price, Winston Varela-Paquette

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

1. Agenda – Additions and approval

GB20210325-01 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the agenda be approved.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of the Minutes of February 25, 2021

GB20210325-02 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the minutes of February 25, 2021 be approved.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

3. Question Period

Julie Durand questioned what the reasoning behind the RHS Gym dress code is. Suzanne Charbonneau, the Physical Education teacher explained.

- Prevents clothing comparisons between students if they are all dressed the same.
- Easy to spot RHS students when outside.
- Gives a sense of responsibility for students as they have to be sure they have their RHS gym stuff.
- Makes students look good.

This subject will come up at a future meeting if the parent would like to discuss it.

4. Business Arising

5. New Business

5.1 Establishing the principles for school fees

Suggested Principles for School Fees Charged to Parents:

- The amount of fees charged should be the same for all classes of the same level;
- The pricing reflects the consumer price index and actual costs;
- Costs will be kept as low as possible;
- The fee for noon supervision will be calculated based on the current salary scale and allowing for 1 noon hour supervisor per 100 students.
- salary X = # of supervisors **times** 170 school days **divided** by # of students registered/enrolled

GB20210325-03 Kristin Crowdis MOVED THAT the principles for school fees be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 Air Quality test results

The PowerPoint presentation was emailed to members and presented by the principal.

- MR will be doing tests on the other classrooms with no windows. The classroom that was in the red had corrective measures done immediately. It was determined that it was red because the classroom was not connected to the ventilation.
- Once all the schools in the board have been tested all of the corrective measures will be done.
- Sara Mattiget questioned the intentions of the study. They only tested classrooms, not offices with no windows. What does MR plan to do with the rest of the school building? She suggested that the GB could respond to MR and ask for

testing on more classrooms, shared spaces and offices. The principal will ask the question about the staff room and different offices.

- Vicki Fraser commented that at the beginning of the year she had asked about the classroom C02 and was told that they were safe. She is upset that it took the ministry for us to get the real results. What can be done to help the students and staff members in rooms that have not be tested.
- Melissa Chang suggested that windowless classrooms should be tested right away. The principal said that this has already been requested.
- Vicki Fraser enquired what the difference was between the testing done at the beginning of the school year versus this test. The tests at the beginning of the year was on air circulation. This test was for C02. This principal will get the answer on this.
- Angie Ladas enquired if the gym could be tested
- The directive from the ministry was specifically for classrooms. The principal will ask if there are plans to do the other shared spaces and offices in the building.

6. Reports

6.1 Students

Madison thanked the PPO for the very much appreciated display in the Secondary 5 hallway.

6.2 PPO

- Discussed the graduation. More to come to try to make it as special as possible for the grads.
- Library – the plan of what they are hoping to do was shared at the PPO meeting. A library survey was prepared for students to see what they want. They will be meeting with a company to have plans and quotes and will be share with the members once known. There is still a lot of work to do to raise more funds and the PPO is looking into other ways.
- Easter candy sale is in the works.
- Anne McMullon mentioned that Economax and the Brick donated furniture to a CEGEP and it might be worth it to look into that option.

6.3 Principal

Upcoming Events and Activities

- March 29 – Pedagogical Day
- April 1 – 2nd Parent Teacher Interviews (by Zoom or telephone)
- April 2 and 5 – Holidays
- April 23 – Floating Pedagogical Day

COVID Update

- As of today, RHS has 0 active COVID cases.
- The Secondary 3, 4 and 5 classes continue to be in a hybrid model while we are in the red zone.
- Some teachers are planning Extra-curricular activities (within a class bubble).
- March 31 the seniors will be returning to school full time.

Tutoring – Ministry Measure

- The Ministry has allocated additional funds to provide tutoring for at-risk students. We are providing tutoring services to approximately 130 students in Secondary 2, 3, 4 and 5 for a total of 122 hours per week. The tutors are a combination of RHS employees, university students, and retired teachers.

Graduate Recognition

- Thank you to the PPO for organizing the posters and special messages for the graduates. It was very much appreciated.

RHS 2021-2022

- We are experiencing a significant growth in enrolment next year. As of today, our enrolment is 1307 – an increase of 74 students!
- Mrs. Rudolph has completed articulations with all of our feeder schools, with the Virtual Campus and with the out-of-zone schools that have students coming to RHS next year. Articulation helps us get a snapshot of the incoming students and any special placement requirements.
- In response to a question from Jossie, the growth is not due to out of zone, these are really our feeder school students.

Student Agendas

- We surveyed the parent community and approximately 55% of respondents (600) would still like to purchase a student agenda. As a result, we are sending out order forms for everyone enrolled for next year to indicate their intentions to buy an agenda at the start of the year. Orders have to be made by mid-April to ensure August delivery. The charge for the agenda will be added to the school fees of every student who orders one.

6.4 Non-Teaching Professional

No report this month.

6.5 Teachers

Nothing to report this month.

6.6 Support Staff

Nothing to report.

6.7 Parents Committee

Emailed to members.

7. Varia

Vicki Fraser mentioned that the assembly for Black History month that was held was reported to be the best assembly ever. Kristin Crowdis asked if Commissioner Olivia Landry could bring the C02 concerns back to council to ask the questions.

8. Adjournment

GB20210325-04 Kristin Crowdis MOVED THAT the meeting be closed at 8:07 pm.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes approved _____, 2021

Principal _____ Chairperson _____