

## **Ryerson Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

**January 24th, 2022 @ 6pm**

### **1. Welcome**

### **2. Reports:**

- a. Principal: Referendum is Feb 15. Brown tours happened for the community- still questions in the community. Being positive for the opportunities that will present itself. Parent teacher conferences coming up- these are early dismissals today. Superintendent invited the March PTO mtg to go over the budget.
- b. Treasurer: Held the holiday teacher luncheon and the kindness bingo event. Working on getting the quilt made as well. Put money into the hot chocolate bags, snowflake activity, and holiday light show. Will be putting in money from box tops and some other payments going in. Working on family fun days also. Currently at 6,088.22= this is in line with our normal budget- fundraisers coming up as well.

### **3. Administrative:**

- a. Winter Workshops (Erica)
  - i. 1st session begins this Thursday, 1/28
  - ii. Craft a cohesive response to parents requesting make-up dates. Will depend on the facilitator availability. Look at all or nothing options to limit payment and refund issues. Include school nurse on the communication as well as Mrs. Spooner to check with paraprofessional availability also.
  - iii. Refund policy for individual weeks - school vs parent cancellation There are not makeup date refund available as previously advertised at sign up.
- b. SquareOne Art Fundraiser (Hilary)
  - i. Kicks off Monday, 1/24 Being rolled out in art classes and students working on it during quiet time as well.
  - ii. Flyer went home today - can we also share on social media?
  - iii. Catalog with artwork selections to be sent home mid-March will be all online ordering and payment directly to the company and delivery directly to the family.
- c. Valentine Kindness Project

- i. Coordinated by 1st Grade Room Parent - Julia Minshall
  - ii. School wide project for students to create Valentine/Kindness cards to be distributed to the residents of Madison House and possibly the Hearth.
  - iii. Julia will collect cards on 2/10
- d. Snow Tubing
  - i. Sunday Feb 26 at 1pm @ Powder Ridge
  - ii. 50 tix reserved, \$33 each/ for the whole family so students and their families can purchase tix
  - iii. Email to go out to parents this week via room parents
  - iv. Paper flyer also to go home in backpacks this week
  - v. Open Sign Up Genius on Saturday 1/29 at 9am, close on 2/15
  - vi. Wait list also on SUG - add tickets if interest exceeds availability and PR has spots- clarify that a waitlist does not mean that you will get a ticket
  - vii. Parents should be on site with students at all times

**4. Upcoming Event Updates:**

- a. Family Fun Events (ongoing) - Krista Parents are signed up to organize movie night, family hike, family picnic, and possible tethered balloon experience!
- b. Spring Spirit Wear (February?) - Hilary spoke with Barry today. He is working on building a website for us. Looking at the more popular items and at the same price point- will add other items as well: stadium blanket, duffle bag, adult vest snow hats. More information to come.
- c. School Restaurant Night Fundraiser (March) - Hilary
  - i. Amato's cannot (staffing issues) but offered jarred sauce fundraiser. Not feasible at this time/ will ask about a later or future date to see if a restaurant night becomes an option.
  - ii. Mikey from Grand is happy to host! Looking at March dates - more to come.
- d. Coke Rewards (March) - Jen
  - i. Coke does not allow for their program to be advertised to families through students. i.e. - no flyers in backpacks

- ii. Has been shared via email and social media with parents. Will also share at tonight's PTO meeting. First code collection will be in March. Kids will bring it in to school for PTO collection. Will check in March to see how productive this is.

**5. New Business:**

- a. Spring Field Experience budget
  - i. Potential for collaboration with Hand? Mentoring, performances, field day helpers, community give back day, pep rally, reading buddies etc... PTO could allot buses if there was time for Hand students to be part of activities at Ryerson.
- b. Third Grade Spring Social with Jeffrey
  - i. Brown Playground: in Spring weather- playground social, ice cream truck/ try to coordinate around the Brown tours to help students get to know each other.  
[possible mid May]
- c. Third Grade Celebration
  - i. Signs vs *and* T-shirts: combine sign purchase for student yards with Jeffrey/ joint t-shirt with Jeffrey as well- will help with bulk purchases and bring the community together. PTO could offset the cost depending on the outcome of what costs will be. More information to come on costs and ideas.
  - ii. Collaborate w/ Jeffrey, create common tradition between two schools
  - iii. Traditional Ryerson Celebrations for Grade 3 Focus on celebratory rather than a stepping up ceremony.
  - iv. Third graders purchase the yearbook. Help is given on a needed basis.