

## **RIVER VIEW SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Tuesday April 23, 2024 @ 5:30 pm**

**Present:** Sally Cocco, Keely Martin, Lisa Derosie, Jen Gallacher, Heather Wild, Emily Hammond, Jami Van Levun, Laura Walsh

**Regrets:** Mary Lynne Cashmore, Jennifer Quinn, Charlene Lyndon, Reshma Seecharan

**Welcome & Land Acknowledgement:** Sally

### **Financial reports (Sally)**

- Bingo: \$ 9 707.87
- Fundraising – Little Caesar’s: \$ 6 324.62
- All of the expenses for the Art Night were covered through the Bingo Funds including the Puppet Show. It was around \$6000 dollars.

### **Bingo report:**

- Upcoming Sessions: April 28, May 4, May 23, June 1 (Volunteers have been secured for all sessions).
- No sessions in July or August

### **Old business:**

- Spring Art Show & Family Fun Night: costs, bake sale revenue
- Bake sale was very successful and sold out. Popcorn went over very well.
- Bake Sale made \$700.
- The organization of the rooms and layout was better this year, less congested than previous year
- Book Fair next year as a possibility for the Art Show.
- Possibly having the Family Art Night earlier during the year.

### **New business:**

- Ideas to increase Parent Engagement
  - Trivia nights as a possibility
  - Scientists in School (parents in the school to engage with the families)
  - Dance a thon in the tarmac, inviting the parents to come and watch.
  - Possible picnic lunch at the end of the year with families
  - Winter festival of lights night
  - Bring your parent to school day instead of bringing your kid to school day.
  - Community Helpers Day (touch a truck, interviewing a community helper, garbage truck, fire truck, St. John Ambulance, Police Officers, farmers)

- Fall opportunity to welcome families – a tea, picnic, celebration
- Guest Readers for the Day
- Community art project
- Family board game night
- Recess Engagement: Tarmac painting
  - Creative Playground is coming on Thursday, April 25 to survey and give a quote to have the tarmac repainted. A primary, junior and intermediate teacher will be on the committee.

**Principal's report:**

- Kindness Projects (t-shirts, secret kindness missions, students caught being kind)
- Staffing updates
  - Mr. V is retiring at the end of April.
  - April is the start of staffing season.
- All year-end trips have been booked.
- EQAO: Grade 3 & 6 Spring Assessment (May 21 – June 6)
- Welcome to Kindergarten: May 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Families are invited back from 4-5pm
  - First Rider program
- Choir in the Park (June 6<sup>th</sup>)
- Grade 8 Graduation: June 20<sup>th</sup>, ceremony at the school with after party at Lion's Hall
- Report Cards go home June 25<sup>th</sup>
- Last Day of School June 27<sup>th</sup>

**Open Mic:**

**Next meeting: September 2024**