

SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR-END REPORT

Please make a submission by 31 October. Your submission will be shared with the School Principal, school office staff, the Policy Analyst, and the Family Community Engagement Coordinator.

For additional guidance, please refer to School Councils Policy P.014.SCO

And School Council Elections, Constitution and By-Laws Procedure PR.509.SCO

School Name: *

Roch Carrier Elementary School

School Council Chair: *

Katherine Robertson-Parrott

School Year

2021-2022

The School Council Mission and Vision: *

The Roch Carrier School Council is dedicated to enriching the lives of Roch Carrier students through special events, hot lunches, and funding for school sports and extracurricular programs. We also have a formal role in making parent opinions and recommendations known to the school administration. In the 2021-2022 school year, the School Council focused a lot on bringing back more 'normal' post-pandemic activities as public health restrictions were lifted.

Members of the School Council: *

Katherine Robertson-Parrott - Chair Ashley Barnard - Treasurer Donna Owen - Secretary

Note from the School Council Chair: *

The 2021-2022 school year was another fantastic year for our students, faculty, and the Roch Carrier School Council (RCSC). Returning members welcomed several new faces to Parent Council, and the collective energy, ideas, and (precious) time, along with loosening of some of the pandemic public health guidelines and restrictions made possible a return to some of the pre-COVID school activities through the year.

With limited fundraising opportunities available, the expenditures were also limited, but a return to a limited Hot Lunch program, as well as year-end treats for the students, and appreciation opportunities for the educators and all staff at the school were a welcome return.

A summary of the School Council activities this school year, including fundraising activities, if applicable: *

The school council, supported by incredible parent volunteers, held a limited number of fundraising activities, including the extremely popular lunch program, and restaurant partnerships for evenings where a portion of the proceeds go back to the School Council. A new partnership with RainBarrels.ca was also successful, and a holiday online vendor event not only brought in funds for the school, but generated a positive buzz from the community at large.

Fundraising activities generated an increase in the end of year free balance of approximately 700\$, and the Council looks forward to finding ways to return that back to the school community in a variety of ways next year. Council also received \$1,000 in grant contributions to supplement our fundraising activities.

If fundraising activities are applicable, please indicate the spending plans approved by your School Council: *

The School Council intended to not only fundraise to finance projects in-year, including field trips and school yard improvements, but also to build a fund to eventually replace the playground equipment that will be coming to its end-of-life in the medium term. This year, the funds raised were less than in previous years due to the pandemic restrictions, and many of the expenditures were low and/or not possible as expected due to pandemic-related supply chain challenges or pandemic restrictions. The hope will be that the continued decline in the number of pandemic-related restrictions will allow for a return to many of the favorite fundraisers and a return to being able to fund projects including field trips and other opportunities.

Comments for the successor School Council: *

The school council should continue to expand its network of communication efforts to engage parents, provide notice of upcoming events, and solicit volunteer support to council activities. Council's ongoing commitment to provide an enriched and exciting school experience for Roch Students can only succeed with everyone's support!

The school council should also continue to look to ways to increase fundraising in order to increase in-year school improvements, but also to look towards funds that can be carried over for the upcoming significant need to replace the main school yard play structure, which are nearing their end of life/limit.

Names of School Council members contributing to this report: *

Katherine Robertson-Parrott

Name of the School Council member submitting this report: *

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