



ROTARY Club of Sussex Inc.
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Club #6355 District #7810
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COWBELL - November 21, 2016

Attendance: Bob B., Lisa B., Melissa C., Rob D., Cindy D., Donna, Rhonda, Paul K., Ed K., Robert K., Harold L., Cecile M., Lou M., Tina M., Bruce N., Teresa O., Bob S., Jason T., Bob T., Shelley V., Robert L.,

Regrets: Alaina A., Alex C., Angela C., Don D., Jeff, Erik, Blair H., Don I., Greg K., Alaina L., Mary M., Ian S., Rhoda W.

Guests: Bridget Ryan (Sussex Middle-School – community coordinator)

Grace, Toast to the Queen and Canada

Welcome: Rhonda Haynes, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting

Rotary Minute: Cecile Matheson

Introduction of Speaker: Robert Lockhart introduced Bridget Ryan.

Speaker: Bridget talked about her role at Sussex Middle School.

Breakfast Club is self-funded – community donations; increase in number of students, thus cost has increased – usually \$5,000 a year.

Her role is supporting teachers, has organized presentations with immigrants, financial literacy, career fair, internet safety, photo sharing, empowerment programs, guest speakers, family violence education, Sussex Middle-School is a community school, Marigolds on Maple Avenue, tree nursery, Irving Tree Nursery, Communities in Bloom, Town of Sussex are partners in this project, adopt a fire hydrant – shovel in the winter, stuff the mini-bus (Sobeys food drive), mentoring to elementary children, purchase cereal for sharing club, Terry Fox Foundation (30,000 in last 10 years has been raised), Danny and Jessica Angel Foundation, support Karma, two years ago became a “We School,” look to get students engaged, huge advocates of health and wellness, new 30,000 dollar play structure, realized students are under a lot of stress – expression board and graffiti wall to let anger out, birthday parties/club for all born in a given month, announcement team, yoga and painting for teachers, teachers need help with cuts,

School population has dropped, funding has declined, teacher cuts, always looking for volunteers to help with English and Math, chess club and games rooms at noon, junior achievement (budgeting), big push towards financial literacy, career fair.

Committee Reports:

2nd meeting for Interact this week, 3 students chosen for Youth Exchange (Rory Keith, looking for volunteers for Salvation Army, Trip Draw is underway – tickets passed out to sell, nominated for Community Impact Award with the Chamber of Commerce, Board Member Scheduled for this week, Bob Tremblay in Presque Isle last week – governors meeting, coats for kids this Saturday from 10am to 2pm.

Elementary Schedule for Breakfast Club – Fridays

- Dec. 2 – Rhonda
- Dec. 9 – Bruce
- Dec. 16 – Theresa
- Dec. 23 – Mary
- Jan 13 – Bob Black
- Jan 20 - Teresa

Chase the Joker: Still no winner.

Next Meeting: The next Club meeting will be a business meeting and has been scheduled for Monday, November 28, 2016, at All Seasons Inn and Restaurant starting at 12:15 pm.

Ed Keith, Recording Secretary