# **Richmond Out of School Care Society**

# **Operating as: Strawberry Vale Out of School Care**

## WHO is Richmond/Strawberry Vale OSC (Out of School Care Society)?

We are a NON-PROFIT Society. We offer care for school-aged children when school is not in session. We will soon offer Preschool.

### WHO is a MEMBER of Strawberry Vale OSC?

Every family that has a child or children attending any of our Programs is a member of Strawberry Vale OSC. Membership is automatic once you've paid the Program registration fee and your space in a Program has been confirmed.

#### WHO OWNS Strawberry Vale OSC?

No one owns SVOSC. It is a non-profit organization not a privately owned business. CRA (Canada Revenue Agency) defines a non-profit as:

A non-profit organization (NPO) is a club, society, or association that's organized and operated solely for:

- social welfare
- civic improvement
- pleasure or recreation
- any other purpose except profit.

### WHO GOVERNS Strawberry Vale OSC?

The Parent Board, made up of our members, governs SVOSC ... that means YOU!! All families are welcome and encouraged to attend the monthly meetings. There are also 5 elected positions to the Parent Board Executive —President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Parent-at-Large — whose responsibilities are outlined below.

#### WHAT is the RESPONSIBILITY of a Parent Board Executive member?

Meet 3-4 times per school year – dates and times are determined by the members of the Parent Board Executive based on their availability. Meetings can run anywhere from 1 to 2 hours in general. (No meetings in July and August).

- Parent Board Executive members operate at arm's length from SVOSC management; they are not responsible for making day to day operating decisions for the Society.
- Review and approve financials.
- Discuss policies and/or issues that the OSC Manager brings to the Parent Board Executive's attention.
- Bring ideas, concerns and positive thinking!!!