

## **Parent Council Minutes: September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

- Called the meeting to order at 7:05.
- We did welcome and introductions. There were 12 people in attendance.
- We didn't have a secretary's report because the last minutes weren't present.
- Twyla had a treasurer's report. We gave back to the school \$5100 from our scoop –a- lot sales. \$2800 went to early literacy, \$700 Mr. Freeman's robots, \$1100 Artist in the school, and \$500 playground fund.
- We had some positive feedback from the Rebecca Gray presentation on Bully Proofing Our Children on Sept 12<sup>th</sup> in the MPR.
- Mr. Hanke gave his principals report. There were 2 new staff members join the HMK team. Corleen McKinnon is our new Vice Principal and Susan Barteaux is our new Grade 3 teacher. There were 3 big projects done at the school over the summer. The interior of the school was painted, there are 2 new portable classrooms Mrs. Pollock and Mr. Freemans Grade 6 kids are in. With the portable classrooms in place now the multi-purpose room is now available for extra activities. BPSD is now running on a fibre optic technology network. They are upgrading from Windows XP to Windows 7. There are 409 students now in HMK with expectations of a few more new students coming. Grade 3-6 students will be having a presenter named Jim Jordan come and speak to them on Bullying. There will also be a presentation for the older students at NACI as well as a parent presentation at NACI at 7:00 on Thursday Sept 20<sup>th</sup>. There are 2 priority areas HMK staff would like to focus on this year and they are EAL strategies to help children learn English as well as Fountas and Pinnell. This will assess the reading levels and track the kids reading progress over time.
- We had our nominations for the parent council board.
  - **President- Cheryl Beaumont** was in by acclamation
  - Twyla Kopytko nominated Jamie Ellis for Vice President, Jamie Ellis let her name stand, and there were no other nominations **Jamie Ellis was voted in as Vice President.**
  - Jamie Ellis nominated Leah Sumner for Secretary, Leah let her name stand no other nominations, **Leah Sumner was voted in as Secretary.**
  - Jamie nominated Twyla Kopytko for treasurer Twyla let her name stand and there were no other nomination, **Twyla Kopytko was voted in as Treasurer.**
  - Fundraising- **Shelly Williams** was nominated for **Fundraising** and **Toni Kuharski** also said she would let her name stand. They will share the position. Shelly and Toni were voted in.
- We discussed who would be babysitting this year and Kelsey Ellis said she would do it again as well as Miranda Hall. Jamie motioned that they be paid \$15 each and if there is only one then they will be paid \$20 Ashlee 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion.
- Toni and Shelly will look into getting Scoop-a-lot up and running.
- There was some discussion as to what topics should be presented at the next parent council meeting. There will be a spot in October's newsletter asking parents what their thoughts are on topics.
- Adjourn meeting at 8:03.