

Parent Council Minutes: November 17, 2015

- Called meeting to order at 7:01pm.
- Welcome and introductions, 6 people in attendance.
- Secretary's report of previous meeting minutes given by Larissa Koshel. Adopted as read by Shelly Williams and seconded by Joanne Greer.
- Treasurer's report given by Leslie Dyke. Adopted as read, seconded by Larissa Koshel.
New cheques have been received. Awaiting DFS's invoice for remaining amounts owed not including original 25%. These amounts depend on percentages for volume and certain items.
- No relevant correspondence at this time.

New Business:

- Principal's report:
 - Currently 448 students enrolled, 63 of those are new enrollments since start of school year.
 - Planning on two casts for the Christmas concert to accommodate this amount of students. The two casts will be divided up by last name to help parents have to go on one day only. Kindergartens will be divided up by their school day. Teachers will pair together as well and rehearsals will occur in this manner as well to help students with the process.
 - Mr. Hanke and Mr. Freeman are meeting with NACI principles and the superintendant about space challenges with enrollment numbers and looking to the future.
 - Noon skating to start this week. There is a need for more skates to lend out, especially for shoe sizes 1,2, and 3. Hoping Neepawa Natives will be able to help tie skates. Two bus trips may be needed to get all skaters to the rink. A reminder to go out in the newsletter about helping tie skates if available and to send kids quick, easy lunches on skating days to help get them out on the ice faster.
 - HMK is looking into a data projector, a short screen type, as well as additional risers for the gym for concerts/assemblies.
 - Playground fundraising needs to be in the foreground. Ideas discussed, additional fundraising ideas are needed.
- Remembrance Day service well attended. Positive feedback from parents and community. Thanks to Mr. Freeman for organizing.
- Spring Fling: Talk about locating at Yellowhead because of space issues. Ideas for dates April 15th or 22nd. Larissa Koshel will get a letter to the Yellowhead board in care of Anne Kuharski about a reduced rate. Parent council will look after arranging venue, possibly snacks and decorations. HMK staff to look after playlist. Will coordinate with venue sound capabilities. Raffle for a prize to benefit grade five camp.
- Teacher's Appreciation: Coming up in February. Thoughts on how we want to celebrate.

Old Business:

- Awaiting fundraising totals from DFS as per Treasurer's report.
- New board members have settled into their roles.

Next meeting date: January 19, 2016 at 7pm, HMK staff room.

Meeting adjourned 7:45pm