Parent Council Minutes: January 19th, 2016

- Called meeting to Order at 7:06
- •Welcome and introductions, 11 people in attendance. A few new faces that we were glad to see.
- •Secretary's report of previous meeting minutes given by Larissa Koshel. Adopted as read by Joanne Greer. Seconded by Leslie Dyke.
- •Treasurer's report given by Leslie Dyke. We made 4,846.90 in our DFS fundraiser. A cheque has been sent to cover the cost of the samples that we kept for fundraising.
- •Committee reports:

Fundraising- via email: Shelly unable to attend. DFS successful. Do we want to do the same fundraiser next year? Are there any other ideas for fundraisers? We need to be fundraising for the new playground most of all.

New Business:

• Principal's report:

Mr. Hanke, Mr. Freeman and 2 teachers went to the Board Principle Conference and had positive experiences.

HMK now has 457 students now enrolled.

After meeting with Superintendent, school board etc. decisions about school populations for next year have been made. HMK will remain a K-grade 5 school with 2 additional portables for next year to accommodate students. NACI is also facing increased enrollment and will receive 1 portable for next year to accommodate grade 6-12.

Playground updates: Quotes for a new playground have been received by four different companies. We need to start with fundraising.

Literacy committee will be looking for more books for the literacy library (levelled books) as an idea for fundraising money use. The Literacy committee has been good at waiting for sales and making the donated money stretch to benefit all students in the past.

Positive comments received about the Christmas concert split into two casts by last name.

Noon skating going well. Numbers are a little less than at the beginning.

The school has been able to purchase a data projector.

Reminder of Kindergarten registration happening at the beginning of February.

Spring Fling:

Parent council voted to use a portion of fundraising money to rent the Yellowhead for the event. The Yellowhead board has approved us for a reduced cost.

It will be April 22nd from 7pm until 8:30pm. We will have free admission with donation/silver collection. There will be a raffle with proceeds going to the grade 5/6 camp. Parent council will organize a silent auction/draw raffle with DFS fundraising. Leslie will head this.

• Playground fundraising

The Legion Ladies have kindly offered to help us with the playground fundraiser with Meat draw supper proceeds. This will be for the Feb. 19th supper. Tickets will be \$12 each. We have 125 to sell. We will also need to have volunteers to provide the desserts. We will also need volunteers to help with serving and clean-up.

A beautiful quilt has been donated by the Legion Ladies to raffle off as a fundraiser for the playground. The raffle will take place at the meat draw supper Feb. 19th. Discussion of how to make tickets available to sell. Have one go in each newsletter? Give the option of selling more tickets if possible.

• Teacher appreciation

We will do the short week of Feb. 16th to 19th this year. Unable to find enough volunteers last year. Difficult to cover lunch supervision. We will just bring treats, baking, maybe hot meal. Discussion. Last meeting before Feb.

Tuesday we will do hot lunch, Chilli, buns, veggies.

Wednesday Fruit trays

Thursday cookies/baking

Friday specialty teas/coffees basket. ?Magazines

• Next meeting date: March 22, 2016 at 7pm

• Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm