

## **Parent Council Minutes: January 23, 2018**

- Called meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
- There were 9 people in attendance.
- Secretary's report from November 2017 meeting reviewed. Seconded by Erin Warwaruk.
- No correspondence.
- Treasurer's report given by Darcy Wood. Account balance is \$5856.60. Net profit from the Keep It Local raffle was \$5525.

- **Principal/Vice-Principal's Report:**

- Mr. Freeman gave the Principal's report in Mr. Hanke's absence.
- Staff changes: Karla Hall took Ms. Jarvis's maternity leave, Gwen McCaskill took Mrs. Ponscak's maternity leave and Doug Miller will fill Mrs. Boyle's maternity leave next week. Lynn Cleaver retired. Vanessa White is now a full-time EA. Keilah Bergen was hired as half-time EA.
- Mr. Hanke, Mr. Freeman, Mrs. Douglas and Ms. Keller attended a 2 day workshop also attended by the Beautiful Plains School Division board. First day theme was "School Connectiveness." Second day was "School Advisory," where students shared their ideas on what they would like at school.
- Hot dog sales have started. All proceeds will go to the Grade 5 camp trip, June 14-15, 2018. Because we are doing back to back years, the school is requesting a donation from Parent Council.
- Upcoming Events:  
February – I Love to Read month  
Feb 13 – Manitoba Theatre for Young People presents "The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe"  
Feb 13-15 – Oak Hammock Marsh  
Feb 23 – Prairie Theatre Exchange presents "All About Munsch"

- **Old Business:**

- a) Keep it Local Fundraiser recap – successful fundraiser. Town of Neepawa donated the Recreation dollars and Farmery donated the fridge.
- b) Re-usable snack bags – an ongoing secondary fundraiser. Bags will be available at the office & Spring Fling. Cost is \$8/bag & we make \$4/bag. 200 bags have been ordered and more can be made as needed. Erin will have a sheet done to show available patterns.

- **Fundraising:**

- Discussed another fundraiser that would work well with the reusable bags – selling name labels.
- Motion by Larissa Koshel: Erin Warwaruk will register with Oliver's Labels. Seconded by Darcy Wood. Plan to start label order in the spring and leave it open.
- Discussed having a bigger fundraiser every second year, with smaller fundraisers in between.

● **New Business:**

- a) Teacher Appreciation – decided on 1 day/week on Tuesdays for month of February.
  - Feb 6 – Soup & Biscuits
  - Feb 13 – Veggies & Dessert
  - Feb 20 – Chili & Buns
  - Feb 27 – Veggies & Dessert
 Please let Leslie Dyke ([manawakamama@outlook.com](mailto:manawakamama@outlook.com)) know if you can donate an item. Gluten-free items are also needed.
- b) Spring Fling – Motion by Larissa Koshel: She will submit a letter to the Yellowhead Centre requesting a reduced rental rate. April 27 is first choice date, second choice May 4. Seconded by Erin Warwaruk.  
Plan to use the Yellowhead's water cooler and will ask children to bring a full water bottle.
- c) Fund Allotment ideas – Grade 5 camp trip, HMK T-shirts, Spring Fling rental. Next meeting will ask staff to submit their funding requests.
  - Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.
  - Next meeting – Mar 20, 2018 7 pm, HMK staff room