

H.M.K. Parent Council

January 17, 2011

Present: 12 parents, 2 administrators (Allen, Rhonda)

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.
2. Secretary's Report – Minutes from Nov. 15, 2011 were read.  
I motion to adopt the minutes as read. Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ashley carried.
3. Treasure's Report – Giant Tiger donation of \$500.00 and \$300.00 from the School Division were deposited to leave a balance of \$5,608.88.  
I motion to adopt the treasure's report as read. Toni, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jamie carried.
4. Principal's Report –HMK welcomes Karla McDiarmid, Ainsley Gibson, Lynn Cleaver, Kyla Ross, Sharla Magwood and Dale Sunley to their staff. Artist in School is underway with Casimiro Nhussi and his African Drumming. An assembly will be held on Friday January 20 at 2:30pm for anyone interested in attending. School showcasing Reading Assessment and Operation Care Club Kids. Coming up in February:  
Virtual Reality for Grades 5 and 6 on Internet Safety,  
Oak Hammock Marsh with the "On The Go" program for various grades, and  
"I Love To Read" month  
Playground is very icy and dangerous so the school is looking for solutions for removal that will protect the children and not harm the grass.
5. Fundraising Report – Toni reported the pick-up of items during the student LED interview nights was very successful and recommends to do the same for next year. All NSF cheques have been dealt with and the fundraiser made \$4,543.55. Thank you notes will be sent to Gardwine and Mar-Dee for their donations and support.
6. Mr. Freeman gave a quick presentation about "Ignite Camp" which immerses students in learning experiences designed to spark their interest in science and technology with different programs like Snap Circuits and Lego Robotics. He supplied the cost of buying some of these kits and left it up to the parent council to decide whether we would like to help with the purchase of more kits for our school.
7. A committee consisting of Melissa and Pat were established for the Staff Appreciation Week which is February 20-24, 2012. Anyone interested in being a part of the committee is asked to contact the school. A theme of "Take Time To Relax" was suggested with the thought of maybe bringing in massage therapists.
8. A suggestion to buy new couches for the staff lounge was presented. Three faux leather couches with the Ashley label can be purchased for \$1,080.42 includes shipping and handling as well as taxes.  
A Thank you note is being sent to Colleen Taylor for being the speaker at our last meeting.
9. Next meeting March 20, 2012 at 7pm in the staff room.
10. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm
11. Guest Speaker – Ron Nordstrom "Safety with Facebook"