Parent Council Minutes: January 21, 2014

- Called meeting to order at 7:05 pm. There were 8 people in attendance.
- Leah reviewed the secretary's report from the November 19, 2013 meeting. Minutes were amended to read that Teacher's Appreciation week is the third week in February, not the fourth week. Amended minutes adopted by Cheryl Beaumont, seconded by Michelle Bennett.
- Twyla gave the treasurer's report. Totals from Scoop-a-lot are \$3691.63. Mr. Parrott was able to fund raise enough for the Grade 5 ski trip, therefore, no funds were required from parent council. We received a \$300 grant from the Beautiful Plains School Division. \$500 dollars was raised from the silver collection at our Christmas concerts and \$800 from the sub sandwiches for the Typhoon relief. This money was matched by the Canadian government.
- Toni Kuharski mentioned that Hylife donated a refrigeration truck for the Scoop-a-lot orders. A thank you will be sent.
- Correspondence: none at this time.

Old Business:

• Jennifer Emberley has changed her name to Jennifer Chrisp. The bank would like to see minutes with her name change to finish the signing power forms. Leah will forward these minutes to Jennifer.

Principal's report:

- Mr. Hanke attended the board/principal's biannual seminar held at Elkhorn Resort. They discussed resiliency and went over the results of the "Tell Them from Me" survey.
- Positive feedback was received in regards to the December 20 Diversity day. Another Diversity day is planned for January 23.
- January 27 is the start of "I Love to Read" month. There is an Olympic theme this year and on the 27th, a Para-Olympian is coming to speak to the school.
- Mrs. Douglas has been researching options for a replacement climbing wall. The best option is a horizontal climbing frame that helps to build upper body strength. This climbing frame has been approved by the board. The cost is \$12,000. Approximately \$6000 has been set aside and we are planning on using 10% of the fund raising from Jump Rope for Heart. There may be grant money to apply for, as well. We hope to have the climbing wall by Fall 2014.
- Unfortunately, there will be no Artist in the School this year. There has been a couple different staff changes and available dates of the new staff member do not work for us.
- The Fontais & Pinnel reading intervention kits for grades 3 to 5 has been received.

Motions:

- Leah Sumner made a motion to give \$500 to the playground fund. Seconded by Toni Kuharski.
- Toni Kuharski made a motion to give \$1500 towards the purchase of the climbing wall. Seconded by Cheryl Beaumont.
- We have \$1600 left from Scoop-a-lot. Distribution of these funds will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Teacher appreciation week is February 18 to 21. Please contact Jennifer Chrisp at 204-841-3572 or jenemberly@gmail.com if you are able to donate a food item or help with noon supervision on Friday, February 21.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.
 Next meeting March 11, 2014 at 7 pm in the HMK staff room.