

**MINUTES OF THE HESPELER P.S. SCHOOL COUNCIL  
MEETING MONDAY JANUARY 18, 2016**

Participants: Sharon McKeown - Chair, Julie Lobsinger (Principal), Greg Schmid, Kelly Daly Howell, Jill Strome, Tina Castelli, Jen Clarke, Sabina Voisin, Erin Neath, Rebecca Birtch, Cheryl McKeon, Michelle Bush Broga

Regrets: Krista Mohr (VP), Jacky Shoebridge, Susan Ford

**1. Welcome**

Sharon welcomed the group.

**2. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2015**

The committee reviewed and approved the November 16, 2015 HPS Council Minutes and Sharon requested that they be formally recorded as Read.

**3. Treasurer Report**

Greg presented the report.

- There is approximately \$6,755 in the bank account. Just under \$7,000 committed for pending expenses with \$1,500 in pending revenue.
- Julie to provide teachers a reminder about spending allocated money for new French books

**4. Principal/Vice-Principal Update**

Julie provided the following updates:

- Ongoing events – choir, boys and girls intermediate and junior basketball
- Ongoing events – collaborative learning for teaching teams / leaning buddies
- Officer Mike continues to visit every other Thursday
- Jan 27<sup>th</sup> – Winter Carnival
- Jan 28<sup>th</sup> – FDK trip to Zehrs Room 8
- Jan 29<sup>th</sup> – PD Day
- Feb 2 – Warplane Heritage Museum Trip – grades 5/6
- Feb 4 - Grade 9 Grad and SK grad photos
- Feb 5 – Grade 7/8 Dance 1:30 – 2:55
- Feb 8 – Kindergarten Registration begins
- Feb 8 – Grade 8-9 night at HPS
- Feb 12 – Tubing/Skiing/Snowboarding Day at Chicopee
- Feb 15 – Family Daly
- Feb 19<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards & Parent Teacher Interviews – welcome to make an appointment with your child's teacher
- An additional PD day may be added as an outcome of negotiations – more details will be provided when available

**5. New Business/Fundraising**

**A. Dance-a-thon**

- a. Booked for March 4<sup>th</sup>
- b. Tina & Sharon will be at the school all day to support dance-a-thon activities. Other volunteers are welcome for any window of time to help out.
- c. Kick off assembly is scheduled for Feb 16<sup>th</sup>. Sabina and Tina will help with the kick-off assembly.
- d. Need volunteers to assist with collecting and counting money the week of Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>. Sabina and Tina are able to assist.

- e. Traditionally have awarded the highest fundraisers by grade. This year proposing the top 3 classes that raise the most money regardless of grade. Recommendation of change was supported.

**B. Family 2 Family Sale/Vendor Sale**

- a. Julie confirmed that we can use the school facility for the sale.
- b. Proposing it will be held on a Sunday in the spring. Tentative date is April 24th.
- c. Tina agreed to head up the committee to plan the sale. Jill, Erin and Sharon will participate in the planning activities.
- d. Tina will draft a proposal for how the sale will work including vendor selection. The proposal will be reviewed at the next council meeting.

**C. Parent Workshops**

*i) 'Technology Night'*

- a. Scheduled for January 26<sup>th</sup>. Jeff Brown is doing a 30 minute talk and will have students in attendance to demonstrate the use of technology in the classroom. Volunteers needed to set up chairs at 6:30 prior to event.

*ii) 'Building Health Families & Communities'*

- a. Reviewed proposal for workshop "Building Healthy Families and Communities" – duration is 2 hours.
- b. One of the goals is to provide families information about what resources are available in the community.
- c. Have a grant of \$1,000 to use for mental health & wellbeing.
- d. Targeting a date in April – Erin & Tina to check dates with speakers to confirm dates. Tentative start time 6:30 with formal speakers commencing at 7pm.
- e. ON MOTION DULY MADE BY Jen Clarke, SECONDED BY Jill S IT IS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED that we move forward with the outline of the workshop as presented in the meeting and use the grant money to run the session which will be booked for a night in the month of April.

**D. Allocation of School Council Funds**

- a. Julie to remind teachers to spend monies allocated for specific purchases in a timely fashion.

**E. Fun Fair**

- a. Rebecca heading up the committee.
- b. Date for Fun Fair is June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Requires help with getting donations from silent auctions – Sabina volunteered to help.
- d. Discussion about the rides and if we want to change it up for this year. Fun fair committee to review and propose what rides to be booked for this year.
- e. Fun Fair Committee to include this year: Cheryl, Kelly, Tina, Susan, Michelle.
- f. Kids Prize Table – Kelly to organize again this year.
- g. Julie confirmed she will order tables.

**F. Other Business**

- a. Thanked the team for a successful holiday social after the holiday concert. Positive feedback. Spent ~\$185 on supplies.

**Next Meeting:** February 22, 2016

**Meeting Dates:** March 21, Apr. 18, May 16, June 20

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm