

## Highlands Parent Advisory Council

### General Meeting Minutes

Monday February 27 2023

**Call to Order:**

**In Attendance: 7:02**

**Executive:** Lorelle Shortridge (Chair), Natalie Brons(Vice-Chair), Tifanee Wik (Secretary), Virginia Escobar (Treasurer)

**Partner Groups and Guests:** Carmen Bergen (Teacher Representative), Chris Johns (Trustee) Julie Bond, Meghan Hatala, Brandy Cross, Lindsey Hert, Sally MacDonald

**Regrets:** Kristan Thompson (Vice Principle), Chris Catheral

**Agenda:** Approved as circulated

**Minutes:** Approved as circulated

**Principal's Report: Chris Catherall**

### **HES Principal's Report – Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

- Students:
  - Our total enrollment is sitting at 199
- Upcoming Events:
  - Running club continues
  - Two basketball teams finishing their seasons on Tuesday—thank you to parents Kali, Jordan, and John for coaching
  - Talent Show was a great success!
  - Skating and swimming continues
  - Grade 5/6 class ski days
  - Primary Musical March 16<sup>th</sup>
  - Rainbow/St. Patrick's Day March 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Report Cards go home March 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Spring Break March 20<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup> (back to school April 3<sup>rd</sup>)
  - French Canadian Dance April 14<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>

Thank you PAC for all you do!

**Upcoming Dates**

**Trustee Report: Chris Johns**

- Waiting to see what happens with budget and annual facilities upgrade grant
- Put money into schools, to help with general upkeep and repair
- Dealing with too many issues at the provincial level
- Gender neutral washrooms- and families who can't provide food- need more money to support
- All school names going to be after places- no people
- Issues with traffic, met with city 3 weeks ago, waiting for city to appoint someone to committee
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### **Teacher's Report: Carmen Bergen**

- Busy, excitement of Valentines Day and heart to heart still there. Heart to Heart raised just over \$500
- Talent show went well last week. Good afternoon, built up school community
- Family dance went well, thanks pac for support
- Donations for clothing for backup

### **Financial Review:**

General: \$ 20 484.29

Courtyard: \$ 2481.88

Playground: \$ 872.01

Gaming: \$1402.91

### **DPAC report Sally MacDonald**

- Inclusion of child care, before and after school care focus
- ECE program for high school
- Student and family affordability fund- asked PAC to get the word out about fund- Grant from the government to help families who are struggling to pay for any school related expenses. -Maybe use to purchase extra clothing items or footwear - if fund isn't spent at end of fiscal year, use it to buy bulk school supplies from staples
- iPads- If belong to PAC- Tech guy won't touch them
- Bringing in teacher from SD8 to give presentation on safe schools - mostly online safety
- March 8th BCCPAC webinar on Consent in Communications

### **New Business**

Husky Jerseys- Next Meeting

Grade 6 hoodies – not run by PAC, if parents want to organize they can

Lindsay doing hot lunch next year

March 17th Milk & Cookie Day

**Committee Reports:**

**Funding Requests:**

**\$2,800.00 X5 Tables For Primary Teachers**

Semi round tables for primary teachers to organize and teach small groups better - Put forward by Natalie Brons, Second by Meghan Hatala

PASSED

**\$500 Misc. Items**

Misc items for teachers, small things Put forward by Brandy Cross Second by Virginia Escobar

PASSED

**\$236.25 Renewal Hot Lunch Site**

Put forward by Natalie Brons, second Sally MacDonald

PASSED

**Fundraisers:**

**Correspondence:** NTR

**Open question/ comment time**

- Asked teachers to make a wish list of things they would like around the school

**Next meeting: April 17th 2023**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 PM**