

**Members Present:** Karen Fraser, Tara Reimer, Sara Richards, Missy Sawatzky, Cara Duerksen, Carla Barkman, Kali Dyck, Lisa Funk, Janelle Unrau, Joella Romand, Jasmine Dyck, Janel Fast, Alan Fehr, Courtney Priest

**Regrets:** Crystal Dandonneau, Leah Read Shroeder, Nancy Friesen

1. Call to order- Sara Richards 2:05 pm
2. Adoption of Last Meeting Minutes- 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Richards 2<sup>nd</sup> Joella Romand
3. Adoption of Agenda -1<sup>ST</sup> Janel Fast 2<sup>nd</sup> Jasmine Dyck
4. Principle Report: Karen Fraser (see Parent Council report for more details)
  - 4.1. Code of Conduct:Day to day information
    - 4.1.1. I love to read month has started. Teachers are working with reading material by Oliver Jeffers. Activities are based on his work.
    - 4.1.2. Family component for families to submit favourite book to post on bulletin boards in the hallway-prizes purchased for encouragement.
  - 4.2. Festival de voyage theme event
    - 4.2.1. The Indigenous Committee is planning in class activities (Metis dot painting, beading, stories). Some materials need preparing so the committee is asking for parent volunteers to put together packages activities. Volunteer sign-up genius to get this organized. Materials will be supplied by the school.
    - 4.2.2. Supply yogurt tubes for recess snack-purchase by PAC-Need 510 on Feb 18. (Sara Richards has picked up)
  - 4.3. Playground Project: Sustainable development and PAC met to discuss projects.
  - 4.4. Pushing report cards out a week from March 18 to give teachers time to properly assess students.
  - 4.5. Day before spring break: Pancake breakfast on March 25-Pajama Day. Jasmine is in discussion to get this through Smitty's. (Not a community breakfast due to restrictions)
  - 4.6. Code orange- Difficult so Karen opted to avoid overflow which really disrupted learning last year. Last year there was a lot more staffing. This year we are using a cluster approach so students can stay closer than 2M within these clusters. It is working to keep students together in a more beneficial way.
  - 4.7. Question from PAC-how is attendance? Sick related issues? When does the code get re-evaluated? Are you seeing issues with Masks how are the kids doing mentally? Do teachers offer mask breaks?
  - 4.8. Karen's Response: attendance is better than before Christmas. Snow days really did help us get through this wave. The province decides when the code changes. It will not be difficult to transition back to code yellow. Overall-kids are doing well with masks. Kids are fine at school but share their frustrations at home. Lots of teachers are taking classes outdoors as much as possible. We do try to give breaks whenever possible. Karen will remind teachers to offer mask breaks. School safety Plan: Every year we go through the plan. Reviewed with staff and updated to insure everything is still relevant.

Safety Support team also reviews everything to make sure everyone knows the plan in order to act quickly.

- 4.9. Safety Support committee: Tara and Karen, Guidance Councillor and Teacher from each wing. Trained on CPR and non-violence crisis intervention (Recertifications have been delayed due to covid but HSD has initiated the process). Note: (PAC is encouraged to provide input where improvements can be made).
  - 4.10. Code of conduct-public schools act. Last page is the bottom line. Behavior is taken seriously we want to keep kids safe. Expel/suspensions don't really take place as we really want children to learn from their behavior. Everyone makes mistakes and we can learn and grow from these experiences. Our goal for kids is to feel safe and supported by adults who want to care for them at all times.
5. President Report: Sara Richards
    - 5.1. Nothing to report
6. Playground Improvement Project: Missy Sawatzky
    - 6.1. Playground Committee met on January 27, 2022. Teachers are requesting to prioritize shade for the playground. We are waiting on approval from the HSD maintenance department to approve the purchase of the Costco Pergola (3 x \$6,776.61 plus installation cost).
    - 6.2. Applying for the Community Spaces Grant.
    - 6.3. Karen has some funds that can be used towards chalkboards, garden boxes, etc. Kristen Reimer will spearhead the planning of these improvements and we may need volunteers to help with weeding. Sustainability grant of \$700 will go into trees again this year. Discussed contributing funds from PAC to bring in practical learning activities.
    - 6.4. PAC Account: \$9,487.00 (may require full amount for shade)
    - 6.5. PAC member vote for Pergola: Approved
7. Fundraising: Lisa Funk
    - 7.1. Several options for a spring fundraiser.
      - 7.1.1. Mom's Pantry-Offers online fundraising options. Everyone can participate if they want to. 35-40% return on all sales.
      - 7.1.2. Earls Meats offers a meat package. \$50-70 per meat pack and \$10 of each package goes to PAC.
      - 7.1.3. Make it Sew-Seed packages- \$10 per pack 40-50% of each sale goes to PAC.
    - 7.2. Looking into possibly doing gift cards for local businesses next year.
    - 7.3. The school will not be doing a Spring Fundraiser
    - 7.4. Feedback: Majority voted for Mom's Pantry but would like to look at local greenhouses, Za Pizza for possibilities for future fundraisers.
    - 7.5. Karen asked how distribution will be conducted. Lisa will confirm how the delivery will be conducted. Gym is available for distribution.
    - 7.6. Letters sent February 17, 2022 and Fundraiser will run until March 9, 2022.

8. Hot Lunch Report: Jasmine Dyck
  - 8.1. January Hot lunch went great. Some trouble with payment due to snow days.
  - 8.2. We will be moving to 2 hot lunch meals per month. Next Hot Lunch: February 22, March 7, 21. We will continue with Smitty's Hot Lunch this year.
  - 8.3. NOTE: \$6.00 difference with Hot Lunch in January (possibly due to meals purchased with tickets that did not include the \$1)
  - 8.4. Niakwa is open once again and Karen is looking into pizza lunches every other week as through the school. (alternating between cheese/pepperoni)
  - 8.5. Melissa will place the hot lunch information on the website so parents can see the Hot Lunch schedule.
9. Special Events: Sara Richards
  - 9.1.1. Nancy Friesen is unable to continue as the special events planner
  - 9.1.2. Alan will take on the special events role beginning
    - 9.1.2.1. Staff Appreciation Event-March 21-25, 2022
10. Next Meeting will be March 8, 2022 @ 2:05pm
11. Adjournment-3:23pm