**HILLSIDE SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING AGM 2023/2024**

**Tuesday October 3rd, 2023**

**Agenda**

**Attendance:** Josh Hartman, Gillian Rutberg, Amy Briggs, Stephanie Stehr, Heather Sharp, Alyssa Hudson, Jenn Pearson

**Meeting called to Order: 6:41** Heather Sharp

1. **Welcome & Introductions:**

* Last years council operated the entirety of the 2022/2023 school year.
* We were able to have Chair (Heather), Vice-Chair (Amanda), Secretary (Alyssa) and Treasurer (Andree)
* School Trustee: Andre Ouellette

1. **Last Years Report**

* **Fiscal Report**

1. **Current standing is $7835.36**
2. **This includes previous years and this years $500 School Council PD funds (this can be clawed back year to year but hasn’t yet)**

- can be used for PD sessions, information sessions related to council

- Currently sitting at $1500 of PD funds

* **Annual Report (Chair)**
* Executive, meeting dates, establishment meeting – Sept. 27, 2022
* Highlights: Halloween Dance, Read-a-thon, Valentine’s dance, Christmas store
* **Review of Bylaws**

1. Operate as a town hall – everyone defined as a parent has a voting right

- Outlines duties of executive members

1. **Standing Business**

* **Principal Report**

1. **Staffing and Enrollment** 
   * + 1. 275 Students
       2. 13 Teachers
     1. **Elder Darlene**
        1. 7 sacred teachings, cree language, food, culture, drumming, inukshuk/teepee building, inuit people
     2. **3 Year Ed Plan highlights**
        1. Assessment focus
     3. **ISSP**
        1. 2 year program
        2. Focus on Mental Health, Nutrition, Physical Education/Literacy, After School Programming, Positive Police Presence
        3. Now have a full time mental health worker at the school
        4. Classroom Champions
        5. There will be surveys to parents, students, teachers, and mental health worker
     4. **New Curriculum**
        1. Grades K-3 Science
        2. Grades 4-6 Optional Implementation of Science
           1. Space, Matter, Earth Systems, Computer Systems, Energy, Living systems.
           2. These will be the topics that are built on year after year
     5. **Trickster Theater Update**
        1. October 30-November 3, 2023
        2. Each class will work with trickster 90 min per day
        3. Parent Volunteers needed
        4. Show will be November 3, 2023 for school in AM and parents in afternoon
        5. Will send out notification of presentation ASAP to give parents a chance to plan.
     6. **Upcoming events**
        1. Passion Blocks
           1. November 17, 2023 and May 24, 2024
        2. Celebration of Learning
           1. 1 per term
        3. Literacy Night - November 8, 2023
           1. Evening event for families
           2. Literacy Games
           3. Tech Session
           4. Reading
           5. Pizza
           6. Hawks Lit Kit

**4. Establishment of Hillside School Council**

1. We are currently seeking new nominations in all positions
   1. Chair Heather Sharp (nom: Jenn Pearson, 2nd: Alyssa Hudson, none opposed) - Elected
   2. Vice Chair Stephanie Stehr (nom: Heather Sharp, 2nd: Jenn Pearson, none opposed) - Elected
   3. Secretary Alyssa Hudson (nom: Heather Sharp, 2nd: Jenn Pearson, none opposed) - Elected
   4. Treasurer - Jenn Pearson (nom: Alyssa Hudson, 2nd: Stephanie Stehr, none opposed) - Elected

**5. New Business:**

FUNDRAISING IDEAS/PLANS

* Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser
  + - * In time for Christmas
* November 6th week info goes out
* December 7 for pick up
* Heather to reply to set up dates
  + - Motion: Alyssa; 2nd: Jenn, none opposed. Carries
* Art Cards by kids
  + Will look at something for the spring, date TBD
* Read-A-Thon – January
  + During Literacy week (Jan 22-29)
  + Will consider explaining on
* Halloween – Family Dance
  + Oct 26, 2023 - 5:30 – 7:30
  + Alyssa would like to head up the concession
  + Will sell Pizza and Snack/Pop tickets at front to exchange at concession
  + Alyssa can lead line dances (will send list to Josh)
  + Some prizes (Snack tickets) for group dances (1 for adults, 1 for kids)
* Other ideas to be discussed more in future
  + - Cookie Dough (easter?)
    - Valentine’s Dance (cakewalk)

UPCOMING EVENTS

* Pumpkin Carving – October 26
* Colouring contest – K-3, 4-6
* 2:00 judging (Alyssa and Stephanie will judge)
* Overall categories and best in class
* Adorable, unique, scariest, silliest, traditional, school spirit
* Spend $60 on Pumpkins

Motion: Alyssa, 2nd: Heather, none opposed, carries

* Prizes -

Josh to get Hawk Merch Toques - Cap: $100

Motion: Alyssa, 2nd: Heather, non opposed, carries

Heather to get small prizes - Cap $125

Motion: Heather, 2nd: Stephanie, none opposed, Carries

* Christmas Store
  1. December 18, 19
* Meeting Dates and Times

1. First Tuesday of each month (Excluding?)
2. Time (current time is 6:30p.m.)

* Discussed how to get more parents to attend meetings
  + Discussed making the newsletter opt-out instead of opt-in
  + Discussed sending all important info home with students, putting up posters near pick up doors for parents to see when picking up kids, Make use of school family events to give out information on upcoming events and clarify things that may be confusing.

1. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 7
2. **3 Takeaways**
3. Halloween Dance
4. Pumpkin carving
5. Literacy Night
6. **Meeting Adjourned: 8:09** Heather Sharp