

**Harold Hatcher School Community Council Minutes  
Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

Present

Tara Fawcett  
Derek deVries  
Brandy Mineault  
Pam Alexander  
Jessica Welburn  
Krista Shyntak  
Kelly Sernowski  
Sherri Evens  
Tasha Kettles  
Lana deVries

Chair  
Co-Chair  
Fundraiser  
Vise Principal  
Member at Large  
Member at Large  
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Teacher  
Hot Lunch  
Community Connector

Regrets

Jennifer Westaway  
Crystal Van Damme  
Tom Code

Treasurer  
Secretary  
Principal

Regular Parent Council Meeting Called to Order

6:36pm

Approval of February Meeting Minutes - Pink Shirt Day changed to April 8th

*Motion to approve and carried by Krista & Brandy*

Treasurer Report – Jennifer Westaway: Treasurer

Jennifer is absent, however, has provided the February Budget. No questions or concerns.

*Motion to approve and carried by Jessica & Tasha*

Fundraising Report – Brandy: Fundraiser

Old Campaign: Show and Save

Show and Save has provided free pizza for children who sold 5+ books. Vouchers will go home to those that qualify with next Hot Lunch order form. Kinders will receive Free Treat Day on the 15th, as opposed to pizza.

New Campaign: Chocolates

Chocolates to arrive at the school March 23rd / 24th

36 families have opted out of the Campaign, 325 have agreed to participate.

Brandy is looking for volunteers for March 24th evening to help with sorting, labelling and distribution. Chocolates to go home to families on March 25th, Due Date April 17th.

Option B has been selected, there are 30 bars in each case @ \$2 each.

Prizes are as follows:

-\$100 Best Buy Gift Card (may use to buy an actual item)

-Scooter

-Beats Headphones

All families will be entered for the prize draw whether they have sold or not.

*Motion to approve and carried by Derek and Jessica*

#### Hot Lunch Program Report – Tasha: Hot Lunch

March 5th was Pita Pit Day. It went very well. Our total profit was \$490.57

April 15th will be Dominos Pizza (in conjunction with Show and Save vouchers)

Hot Lunch for May will be Booster Juice (date not yet confirmed)

In June we will be doing Pancakes. (date also not confirmed)

*Motion to approve and carried by Kelly and Jessica*

#### School Report – Tom Code: Principal & Pam Alexander: Vice Principal

Welcome to Sherri Evans to our Meeting. Thank you to Lana for taking on the role as Community Connector. Tasha excited for her recent undertaking of the ENIP position.

HH had Visitors from Sunrise School Division and RETSD to observe their Kinders. All went very well.

Breakfast Program has officially been launched and is going well. It can provide up to 50 snacks per day but typically it is around 30 snacks per day. This program is encouraged to be used, anyone is welcome to have a snack. Budget to run the program is approx. \$50/week or \$200/month. We have received a donation of \$200 from Transcona Optimists, which was extremely helpful and much appreciated. Applied for Grant to help with costs, if awarded will require 2 food groups to be provided to students. An example of snacks for the week are: Monday - Cereal Grab Bags), Tuesday - Hard Boiled egg (will not be serving again due to allergies), Wednesday – Choice Day (anything that is available), Thursday - Granola Bars, Friday – Cheese Strings. Breakfast program is looking for donations of any kind to assist them.

Note to be put in Newsletter that Children are allowed to bring snacks from home (in addition to their lunch) and will be allowed to eat at their teachers discretion.

Family Curling Day Feb 21st Approx. 9-10 families came out to share in the fun, participation low due to cold weather. Event was still a success.

Library Renewal Project is in its 2nd year. We have received a \$5000 Grant from Western Financial (Kerri Doherty). We Thank you for your generous donation and support. Tasha has hired a craftsman to make Bookshelves. Turned out very well. Stuffed Animals to be strategically placed as a fixed decoration only. More Furniture and Paint will be ordered soon. Looking for Craft Donations for the Spring Bazaar. Teachers to create some crafts with their children to be sold at the craft sale. Look into organizing a Family Craft Night to help with donations. This will be discussed via email.

Playground Matrix going home with students soon. Parents encouraged to review Playground expectations with their children. Promotes being safe, responsible and respectful on the playground.

Student LED Conferences coming up March 26th and 27th.

School will be ordering 3 sandwich board signs to promote the safe and efficient pick up/drop off of children. Signs to be put in Bus Loop, Staff Parking Lot and Loading Zone. Cost will be \$678 for all 3 signs. PAC will be covering the costs of these signs from their Special Projects account. Motion to Approve PAC to pay for Signs carried by Tasha & Brandy

Tasha to work on getting extra land from the tennis courts at the end of the parking lot for a parking lot extension or loop. Objective is to create more parking for staff and visitors and increase safety.

Future endeavors include ordering more furniture for classrooms (more and innovative seating, tables, etc) Pam to get teachers to make a wish list.

472 students currently enrolled. Expected to have over 500 enrolled by Fall 2015.

4 Full Classes of Kinders. Room for 1 more class (grade level to be determined).

*Motion to approve school report carried by Derek and Jessica*

### Community Connector – Tasha

Great job Tasha for preparing Lana for the newly acquired position of Community Connector.

Stay and Play has been going well, excellent turn out with 9-10 children in attendance (previous was 20 children and 14 adults)

Once upon a Time has ended.

Spring Pictures to take place Monday, March 16th.

Child Care will be provided on the evening only of March 26th for Student LED Conferences. Lana is still looking for volunteers.

*Motion to approve and carried by Tasha and Brandy*

### Old Business – Tara: Chair

Member at Large Position still available. Will be posted online and in newsletter.

Staff appreciation on March 13th, Tasha to pick up Olive Garden order and desserts from M&M (2 fruit trays and 3 too tall cakes). Trevor will be there to help. Jessica to set up the evening of the 12th.

Tims Gift cards to be purchased for Night Custodians. PAC has given Pam a cheque to cover the costs of teachers who could not attend Staff Appreciation on the 13th.

### New Business – Tara: Chair

A few changes required to the new website. Not user friendly or information not accessible in some areas. Also ask for feedback from families in the newsletter.

*Motion to approve and carried by Krista and Tasha*

Actions

to be added in by Tara

**Meeting adjourned at 7:48PM**

**Next Meeting will be held April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30**