

Dr. M.S. Hawkins School Council Monthly Meeting
Thursday January 11, 2024
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL

Present: Sascha Elassal (Principal), Carin Avery, Laura Smith, Lisa Lundeborg, Jacquie Aldred, Leslie Mountjoy, Rachel VanDorp, Emily Fairservice (Teacher representative)

Absent: Sarah Turck

Meeting commenced: 6:05 p.m.

1. **Welcome & Approval**

Call to order at **6:05**; **Laura** approved November minutes; **Lisa** seconded

2. **Principal's report**

- December was very busy
- Food and toiletries drive – more than 500lb was raised for the two agencies – Fare Share Foodbank and Rose Quest. This was the first joint fundraiser between the High School, Senior Public School and Day Care.
- Hawkins supported five families with turkey dinner and fixings; Working with Constable Staples and her husband for five turkey dinners at five different schools in Port Hope; in addition 48 Tammie's Jammies handed out
- Grade 8 grad photos completed Jan 11; retake date TBD
- Skating for everyone was a success; if anyone has any skates to donate, please contact Sascha
- New and returning staff – Welcome back to Ms. Carisse; Ms. Beckett will stay at Hawkins for a few days/week as a Special Education Resource teacher. Also welcoming Ms. Viveiros-Mullin.
- Grade 8 trip update: If anyone is not sure what they owe, they can call Ms. Clarke or the balance owing should be out in the next few weeks. \$100 deposit; currently 57 kids now signed up to attend. Kids can still sign up but there will be a deadline. Important that anyone owing chocolate money back to the school is returned asap.
- School spirit wear now available; see link to purchase in All in a Week newsletters

3. **Teacher's report**

- Tribal Vision dance coming to Hawkins – Family dance troupe from Six Nations performance on Fri Jan 26
- Ski club getting ready to start; permission forms should be returned asap
- Hockey team is starting up Wed Jan 17 at JBSC, tournament with Grade 7&8 schools at the end
- Basketball will be starting soon as well
- Leadership committee is polling classes for next activities; unknown Spirit days planned yet

4. Treasurer's report & Healthy Hunger update

- **Current balance \$3,402.29**; Nov was \$3,164.72, Dec profit \$237.57, includes Pizza Day money raised
- Food bins were purchased for each of the classrooms; cost of \$203
- HealthyHunger: \$55.75 Barburrito \$187.76 Subway = \$243.51 raised in December

5. New Business/Fundraising

Fundraising focus 2023/2024: Library restock as the library is very short on books.

- *School Council Fundraisers (3):*
 1. *Big Box Card fundraiser (March)*
 2. *Mother's Day theme vendor event (Sat Apr 27)*
 3. *TBD*
- LLS will help with hot dog day on Friday January 26 on second break; Pre-orders only (no same day sales) through Schoolcashonline. InstantPots will be used to cook. Volunteers to deliver class bins with hot dogs; stations set up with ketchup & mustard shared between two classrooms; Cost: \$3 each jumbo hotdog; combo will be either \$5 or \$6 (depending on prices at store) for juice boxes and chips included. Purchase through Courtneys; will also need buns & condiments (7 mustard, 7 ketchup) and hot dog wrappers. Items can be purchased using school P-card. Plan to go live on Jan 15 and close orders on Jan 19. Leslie, Laura & Rachel to help out on day of.

ACTIONS:

1. **Sascha and Emily to talk to Leadership committee** to create a fundraising thermometer for library book fundraising
2. **Laura** to find out about Paul Davis presentation type for the How to Use Tech Safely; is the same presentation for Grade 4s fit for Grade 8s
3. **Laura** to look into Swiss Chalet for hot lunch addition
4. **Laura** to look into cost for hot dog day; circulate to group costs/voting on combo price
5. **Laura** to purchase food items for hot dog day using school p-card
6. **Laura** to reach out for additional volunteers for hot dog day
7. **Carin** to promote hot dog day on social media(no day of sales)
8. **Carin** to post on social media re: reminder for chocolate sales for grad trip must be returned

Meeting adjourned: 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting date: Tuesday February 6, 2024 at 6:00 pm virtually