

Dr. M.S. Hawkins School Council Monthly Meeting
Thursday October 26, 2023
6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.
Zen Den

Present: Sascha Elassal, Sarah Turck, Lisa Lundeborg, Carin Avery, Laura Smith, Jacquie Aldred and Leslie Mountjoy

Meeting commenced: 6:08 p.m.

1. **Welcome & Approval**

Call to order at 6:08; Leslie approved September minutes; Laura seconded

2. **Principal's report**

- Soccer, cross country finished - went to area meets; rugby has begun; new date for tournament, parents could help with rugby practices
- Halloween dance and bake sale on Tues Oct 31 run by the School Leadership Team; rep from each classroom; Laura can help out with the dance; Leslie may be available
- Virtual announcements via smartboards in classrooms
- Friday November 3 is a PA Day
- Grade 8 trip to Brock University; waiting on superintendent approval; information package will be sent home; cost for whole trip (incl transportation and cancellation insurance) \$360 – May 16 & 17, 2024. Science & computer labs, high & low ropes, coding, staying overnight in dorms. Chocolate fundraiser is one of a few fundraisers. Deposit will be required.
- Movie & pizza day – Friday October 27; teachers will have students choose a movie to be offered in class; Laura and Leslie are available to help the day of
- Pro grant information; each council applies for money (\$1000 max)
- Spirit wear through Hunter Biz. Online orders. No limited timeframe to order, mailed directly to home.
- Grade 8 Grad committee to begin meeting after March break; would include parent volunteers, teachers and students
- Grade 8 students visiting high schools (CCI & PHHS) on Wednesday November 1

3. **Teacher's report**

- No representatives; information included in Principal's report.

4. **Treasurer's report & Healthy Hunger update**

- Balance \$3,078.57; pizza day tomorrow has not been included in this
- HealthyHunger: Sept profit: \$118.04; Oct profit: \$375.88

5. New Business/Fundraising

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

- Fundraising plan is due tomorrow (Oct 27); cannot do ornament fundraiser; 3 through council
 1. Big Box Card fundraiser (March)
 2. Mother's Day theme vendor event (Sat Apr 27)
 3. TBD
- Continue fundraising for library books; showcase goal via a fundraising thermometer
- World's Finest Chocolate fundraising by grade 8's is for the grade 8 trip
- Leadership Group has their own fundraising - Halloween dance & bake sale, will have others
- Gift cards is school based fundraiser starting soon
- Gift wrap fundraiser. If we can't do it this year we can confirm in June for a September/October fundraiser.
- Next pizza day is Friday November 24; cut off for orders Nov 17; online orders again
- Hot dog fundraiser in new year with the LLS Friday January 26
- Leslie attended Regional Meeting on behalf and representing our School Council

ACTIONS:

1. Sascha to promote next pizza day through newsletter; add online ordering by Nov 2
2. Sascha to forward Pro Grant information to co-chairs
3. Sascha to talk to LLS re: hot dog fundraiser
4. Sascha to buy class bins
5. Sascha to get booklists from classrooms and leadership group to create a thermometer tracking our fundraising for books
6. Laura and Sarah to review Pro Grant information
7. Laura to look into swiss chalet and buttermilk for lunches
8. Laura to confirm details for card box and gift wrap fundraiser
9. Laura to check into Courtney's for hot dog fundraiser supplies
10. Carin to promote on social media the Grade 8 grad once permission forms go home
11. Carin to promote on social media the next pizza day on social media
12. Carin to promote on social media the Spirit wear once website ordering available

Meeting adjourned: 7:45 p.m.

Next meeting date: Thursday November 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm