



## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Hastings PAC - Friday, November 22, 2019

9:00-10:30 am

1. **Welcome and introductions** (9-9:15am)
2. **Review of minutes from Wednesday, October 23, 2019** (9:15-9:20am)
  - a. *Motion to accept the minutes from the Oct.23/19 meeting* MSC
3. **Reports/Updates**
  - a. Administration (9:20-9:40am)
    - i. Principal - Vital Peeters
      1. *Introduced Eric (new Youth and Family Worker)*
      2. *Volleyball winding down; participation increased as the year went on.*
      3. *Basketball to come in Jan (wrapped up by spring break); anticipate a lot of interest; Grade 6&7 (but may extend to grade 5 if not enough interest).*
      4. *Harvest Potluck went very well.*
      5. *Winter Warm Up being planned: teachers & staff (Tuesday Dec.10th); more info to come.*
      6. *Communicating student learning: report cards – supposed to be ongoing communication including written reports; minimum 5 points of communication thru the year; x2 written reports per year - end of Jan and end of June. Checklist: How they are doing?; what they need to do?; how are they going to get there. My Blueprint: student creates a profile; stays with the student for the duration of their Hastings career; teacher is a visitor. Some teachers are finding it harder to use this so therefore some aren't using it. Frustration from some parents about not getting updates. Vital suggested to talk to your teacher directly about what your child is doing. Jacqueline suggested for everyone in attendance to talk to their teacher – report back at January meeting on how its going / any improvement; find out what is your teacher's preference for communication.*
      7. *Nicola counselor and Kristin (Indigenous enhancement worker) introduced themselves. Vital mentioned that with the morning meetings, teachers may have the opportunity to come and introduce / say hello.*
      8. *Morning announcements: live electronically for students and teachers to contribute; using QR codes; Ms Gina's class is starting the project, but more intermediate students will get a chance to be involved.*
      9. *Grade 7 camp fundraising: need to be proposed and organized by teachers; waiting to hear from teachers if they want to do a trip at all;*

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*Suggest that grade 6 parents reach out to their child's teachers and inquire; new paradigm where the parents aren't necessarily raising money with the expectation of a trip every year. It should be reviewed and newly proposed each year.*

- ii. Vice Principal - Susan Dent

- 1. Did not attend.*

- b. Chair - Jacqueline Shaben (9:40-9:50am)

- i. School grounds improvement update*

- c. Treasurer – Yvonne Connors (9:50-10:00am)

- i. Reviewed approved budget for 2019/20*

- ii. Explained why no Direct Donation campaign this year; focus on promoting and showcasing what the teachers and students are doing with the technology already purchased last year; will gear up for new campaign in Fall 2020.*

#### **4. Other Business (10-10:15am)**

- a. Harvest Potluck wrap up

- b. Class Reps

- i. Send an email thru mailchimp and the school email with who still needs reps.*

- ii. Vital has offered to send email to all these teachers with no reps to forward to their parents.*

- c. Guest Speaker Series

- i. January 16th: Dr. Lara Boyd is a researcher at UBC that studies the brain, neuroplasticity and education. (how best to facilitate neuroplastic changes that improve educational, social, and emotional outcomes to improve child development.)*

- ii. iGirl/iGuy (tent April): sexual health / knowing your body; workshop for parents*

- d. Bingo Night – tentatively Thursday, February 20th, 2020 – send email to admin with date and rental request asap.

- e. Parent Burger Bevvie night? Kaila, Andrea, Heather, Jacqueline, Kathy have offered to form a organizing committee. Yvonne to send email to the group to get them started.

#### **5. New Business (10:15-10:30am)**

- a. *Suggest to alternate morning and evening meetings – give Vital dates for all meetings and events for the rest of the year so he can book the rentals.*

#### **Adjourn (10:30am)**

- b. *Motion to adjourn the meeting*

*MSC*

Next meeting: Thursday, January 23rd @ 7pm in the Staff Room (no December meeting)

Happy Holidays everyone!

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