<u>Half Moon Bay Public School Council – Meeting Minutes</u>

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Date: December 13, 2022

Regular Agenda

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Regular Items (Principal, Teacher, Treasurer, Communications reports)
- 3. Committees (as required)
 - a) Events Committee
- 4. Items for Discussion
 - a) Lunch program options
- 5. Roundtable
- 6. Adjournment

Item	Minutes	Action
1.	Welcome by Chair.	
2.	Regular Items (Principal, VP updates, Teacher,	
	Treasurer, Communications reports)	
	Teacher Update: Lisa Casey	
	Thank you to the community for the very successful snowsuit and gift giving initiative for families in need. This is the 1 st year that snowsuits have been added to this initiative and it was very successful and they are very appreciative.	
	Grades 2-6 participated in Bordenball recently. Hundreds of students participated in intramurals.	
	The Grade 6's just went to the Museum of Aviation and had a great time.	

Fun spirit days are happening next week. They are inclusive for all even if they don't celebrate the holidays.

Lunch program –Keep in mind that primary classes have amazing and trained grade 6 lunch monitors who could help.

Principal Update:

Gr 6's are going to participate in Bordenball tournament as well as the Grade 3-5s. It is great to cheer on HMB. He went to see Grade 3-5 at their tournament at Kars.

They had a very successful book fair on the stage.

The movie night went incredibly well. It was very well organized and well run. Great re-introduction to having events at the school.

The new portable is ready to go. The new class will be opening before the break. It will be a Junior English class families affected will be contacted. A teacher for the new class has been secured.

Staff at the school are trying to keep things as predictable as possible before the break.

Treasurers Report – Movie night brought in \$536.74 after paying everything.

3. Committee Updates

Events Committee

Gabe thanked Paula and everyone else who has helped with the movie night and the meeting to plan future events.

Paula:

The office got a lot of calls about the movie night and school cash online. Going forward, if we use school case online, we could add the hmb school council email so that questions come to us and away from the office.

Other lesson learned from movie night— always have a backup (b/c she was away sick on the evening of the movie night)!

The Events Committee met and they were thinking of having a fun little dance party in January as a welcome back event. They

proposed Jan 20th though it is a PD Day.

Chris will have to check if gym is available that night. There is lots of community use of the school already.

Chris also has reservations about a family dance. It can be hard to manage and it gets chaotic. A prior school he was at did a dance-athon in the gym during the day. Students rotated through for about 20 minutes each. Parent council would put on the music and plan the event and teachers would be willing to bring classes down. It is organized by council but teacher supervised. Grade 6 helpers can be extra hands with the younger classes to get them dancing, etc. Mid to late January would be good timing. Everyone liked this approach!

Other events that the Events Committee has talked about (these are ideas and not confirmed events):

- -literacy night.
- -pancake breakfast in March to go with sugar bush possible on a Saturday. Chris would check to see if we would be able to do something like this.
- -end of year fun fair (food trucks, bouncy castles, etc). Need to keep in mind the number of people who will come given the size of our school and the lack of space on the yard.

We decided previously that literacy was one of our goals for fundraising. We can indicate that this is our goal when we sell tickets for things.

Paula is working on updating website. Need to link to the school's website. She has also tried to tell people about flipgive on the Facebook page. It is an easy way to raise funds.

Boston Pizza is another fundraising idea. Write the school's name on the back of receipt and we get 5% back. Could also do an event where teachers serve, etc.

Gabe thanked Paula for all her ideas and work on this. It is great to have an events committee up and running again after the past few years of not much happening due to Covid.

6. Items for Discussion

Lunch Program Options

Options were discussed but it was decided that pizza was the best option due to the size of our school and cost. We would just do one kind of pizza to keep it easy. We will aim for late Jan/early Feb

	timeframe. We need to make sure we have enough volunteers in place with firm commitments. Parents can pay through school cash online. Allison Hunter said that she can be the contact at school for the volunteers when they arrive.	
7.	Round Table	
	No additional items.	
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8.	Adjournment	
	Meeting adjourned 6:45pm.	