September 23, 2019 SC/PAC Meeting Minutes 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Attendees: Sumaria Waqar, Shawn Jeffery, Jeanette Weatherill, Jenny Collins, Amanda Marshall, Bev Giberson, Diana Ustrzycki, Jennie Isaacs, Nicole Christie, Janice Oldham, Carley Casey, Kristen Buist, Jenn Marshall, Rebecca Long, Cara Leitch, Susie McConnell, Ashley Black, Charon Buck

- 1) Round table intros were made.
- 2) Majority move to combine School Council and Parent Activity Council into one; meetings likely to run 1.5 hrs; poll went out on Facebook to gauge which night is best for meetings
- 3) Group agreed to new co-Chairs model, and voted in Nicole and Sumaira; outgoing School Council Chair, Cara, voted/remains Treasurer; Jennifer volunteered to be Secretary; Jeanette volunteered to co-Secretary. Ms Buck MH web admin: will post minutes under appropriate drop-down
- 4) Financial summaries
- 5) September Principal's Report:
 - Volunteers with <u>Vulnerable Sector Scan</u> (VSS) required! (Swim Team support, Field Trips, in-school events)
 - Enrollment continues to climb, FTE from 406 to 452 and counting. Move from 4 to 5 Kindergarten classes; re-org of **Primary classes** necessary to meet caps
 - Re-org class changes effective Sept. 30, with Friday, September 27th being a "transition day" for affected students
 - Info Nights coming (<u>We Help</u>, <u>FI</u> for SK families) Ms. Buck has further info/pamphlets
- 6) Superintendent Sue Dunlop (tmovre@hwdsb.on.ca 905.527.5092 ext. x 2673) visiting MH Wednesday, September 24th: bring attention to small gym deficiencies, how we can leverage support to get it open and running, and how that could facilitate the limited JK/SK gymnasium curriculum/time!
- 7) Itinerant school support staff 1:8 school ratio (from 1:5); Spec Ed Consultants absorbing SEA claims/prescriptions
 - Can we get data on how many calls to social worker/how many assistive tech prescriptions versus availability/IT support, imaging, etc.? Present this at Oct or Nov School Council?
 - Concerns about these resources (would like some feedback on number of resources/person support per student

- 8) Ms McConnell, looking into mentoring programs for boys and girls: <u>Go Girls</u> (eight-week group mentoring program for girls aged 10 to 14 promotes active lifestyles, balanced eating, and building self-esteem) and <u>Game On</u>
- 9) Mrs. Buck shared outline of the school budget
 - -make plan to decide fundraising goals and target spending
 - -Lunch lady profits cut to \$.50 a meal
 - -reduce milk to once a week
 - -cut sub days
 - -possible frozen yogurt OR popcorn once per month undecided at this time

10) Food For Kids Rotary

- Volunteers needed to pick up perishables and sort
- Once every three months

11) Future Council Dates

- Nicole will post a survey on Facebook to determine best night of the week