September 9, 2013

In attendance:

Co-chairs: Naz Jakir & Christine Stover, Treasurer: Petrina Bosiak, Secretary: Ellen James

Call to order: 7:00 pm

Approval of agenda: approved

Approval of minutes dated June 2013: approved

Student Government: Nhi Nguyen-chair

The student council would like to fundraise for benches and tables for the school grounds. The students requested that the PAC match their fundraising in order to purchase and install the new seating. It was noted that Ms Falsetto would be a good staff supporter and a brochure with possible options was given to the PAC for further research.

A brief overview of student government was given.

Correspondence; none

Chair report: given by Christine Stover

Parents were welcomed and urged to stay involved, to continue to attend meetings. Other opportunities for involvement:

- Parent Tea every Tuesday at 9:00 to 1030
- Making sandwiches for the food bank monthly
- Community luncheon once per month
- Mothers Helping Others group,
- speakers or workshops offered such as food safe, first aid

Please don't hesitate to ask questions and make suggestions

Treasurers Report:

The annual grant has been applied for

Decisions regarding distribution of these funds will begin in January as teachers begin to make requests Two scholarships in the amount of five hundred dollars each have been presented to two of June 2013 graduates.

Principals report:

Welcome was extended to all

Byrne said goodbye to 34 staff members in June

Two new vice principals were introduced; Mr. Paul Foster (A-K) and Ms. Kory O'hare (L-Z).

All grades seem positive and upbeat with between 150 to 230 students per grade. 1150 students in all. Cellphone policy was updated last June. Includes; responsible use, research tool, not allowed to use

them during staff instruction time, may be used outside the building

Spring break will be two weeks this year.

Communication to parents; done through the website, daily bulletin, listserve, phone tree, notices in the building

- September 16-club day
- September 19-meet the teacher night
- September 25/26th grade eight retreat (one day at the school-one day at Edmonds CC)

Community school coordinators report:

Iha Farquar introduced herself

-her role is as a community liaison

-her third year here

-she tries to be flexible-responding to needs

-she believes that forming relationships creates opportunities for community involvement and growth

- Cobs bread is a community partner and allows Byrne to have breakfast available to all students 800 to 830 in the community room
- there is a lunch program at Byrne and after school snacks are available

Small group discussion: "what is great about Byrne Creek?"

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 pm

<u>Next meeting</u>: Monday October 7th 7:00 pm