**Dr George Johnson Middle School**

**Parent Advisory Council Meeting, Monday, November 15, 2015**

1) Call to Order at 6.37 pm

2) In Attendance: Kim Malchuk, Jim Gibbs, Renée Artimowich, Joe Auer, Heather Clarke, Brenda Henderson, Melissa MacAulay, Brent Johnson, Karen Smith.

3) Approval of the Agenda: Motioned to accept by Joe seconded by Melissa.

4) Approval of October Minutes: Motioned to accept by Melissa, seconded by Joe.

5) Old Business

* **Breakfast Program**:

The focus is on fruit which is kept outside the office. Occasionally granola bars and yogurt tubes are made available. Due to changes in regulations about bread the option to serve toast has become unmanageable.

* **Funtastic Friday**:

The first Pizza Day went well and a second is planned for the end of the month. Still looking for volunteers to help run other hot lunch days.

* **Operation Red Nose:**

We have 10 volunteers confirmed and another 4 possible volunteers. If we can’t make up the team of 15 the organisers will be able to fill in, we just need to let them know ahead of time.

* **Fundraising**:

Mom’s Pantry: Order due this week, synervoice to be sent Tuesday to remind people of the due date.

Chicken Chef Coupons: Date has been extended to the end of February 2016.

* **Craft Fair:**

An update was provided by Nancy.

School Christmas trees to be found and decorated.

Nancy to get in touch with Helgi regarding the floor covering and tables and chairs.

Melissa to arrange floats of $100 x2, $50 and receipts to given to the crafters on the day.

Kim has a quote for advertising in 4 papers; The Journal, The Times, The Argos and the Spectator for $120. Melissa motioned to go forward with this advertising, Brenda seconded.

* **Needs and Wants:**

Jim will go back to the staff to clarify the idea of wind shelter/outdoor classroom before we proceed any further.

7) New Business

* The Interlake Sexual Exploitation Educators group have conducted surveys with high school students about sexual exploitation and it is evident from these surveys that this is becoming an issue in the Interlake area. They have a presentation for parents and it was asked if we would consider combining a presentation with a PAC meeting. It was decided to do this at the February 2016 meeting.

8) Treasures Report. Attached. Joe motioned that the report be accepted seconded by Karen.

9) Administration

* Letters have gone home about Renaissance. This is a program that the school uses, complimentary to classroom learning. Parents are now able to logon to the site and view their child’s progress within the program. Students are also able to do activities/exercise in the math area at home however tests have to be done at school for both the reading and math.
* A brief discussion about Edsby was held to gage who was able to access Edsby and who was still having difficulties.

10) Teachers Report.

* Heather has been asked, by the Rediscover Christmas organisers, if she could arrange for some students to sing, on a float, during the Rediscover Christmas parade, 27th November. Students have expressed excitement about this idea.

11) School Board Report.

* A reminder about the “Board Planning Session” on Nov 30 from 7- 9 pm at the Tec Center. RSVP Velma, by 21st Nov. It is hoped that more people will attend with it being held in the evening.

12) Next Meeting: Tuesday 15th December at 6.30pm.

13) Adjourned: 7.47 pm.