



# Meeting Highlights March 19th, 2024

**Engaging Parents - Connecting to Classrooms - Enhancing School Culture**

## From school council:

- **School council roles in communication, advocacy, fundraising**  
School council has been working at defining these 3 lanes of focus. Communication and advising are well on their way with defined structure and purpose. Fundraising, including having a non profit society to apply for grants and provide tax receipts for donations, is still to be defined. By June AGM hopeful all that is determined and a path forward can easily happen.
- **Follow School Communication - many options to stay current**  
Read classroom communication, follow PowerSchool and Google Classroom. Watch the weekly video. Read the monthly newsletter sent out at the first of each month. Follow HSS website for monthly calendar and 'Daily Announcements'. Follow the athletics calendar found on the website under 'Athletics'. Follow social media at Facebook *Hugh Sutherland School* and Instagram @hss.kodiaks @hss.athletics
- **Connie Jakab is coming Tuesday April 23rd - Plan to attend parent evening!**  
MS and HS assemblies in the afternoon and 6-8:30pm for a parent/community member evening. Connie is a champion of helping create places of belonging in schools by working with students, teachers, parents and school communities. Please follow Facebook Connie Jakab or Instagram @conniejakab, *The Brave Podcast* or read her book/audiobook *Bring them Closer* to understand a bit more about her.
- **Kodiak Booster Club has the goal to enhance and develop the athletics experience at HSS through parent and community participation**  
Looking for community members to join the HSS sport community as coaches, leaders in sport. AGM early May. Please consider investing in these areas. Contact [hssathletics@cesd73.ca](mailto:hssathletics@cesd73.ca) or Lindsey Good.
- **Current playground decommissioned summer 2025** and ongoing school council organization to begin fundraising followed by dialogue of needed outdoor infrastructure and where it might go.

## From school:

- **Digital sign is ordered and will be installed summer 2024.** 14'X7' on south wall of east gym facing the highway.
- **Plans for digital streaming for school events is underway.** We will be able to live stream any event in gym, outdoors etc.
- **Committees within school** - staff sit on a committee to work to make improvements in that area, many exist and function well but discussed 1 at length for parent input
  - **Kodiak Culture** - How do we build Kodiak culture? Presented 3 working documents for parent input. These documents have already been presented to staff for their input. **Dress code, Student Code of Conduct, Student Expectations.** Valuable discussion around ensuring all parties understand the 'why' then the rules are just that, the rules at HSS. The school perspective is this is a learning environment in preparation for a future professional, learning or work world expectations. See admin if you want to see these working documents and have personal input.