Willow River Parent Group
Meeting Notes
January 13, 2014

23 Adults (+children), Board, Mrs. Osterhues present

Call to Order 6:28

1. School Board Presentation: Jim Erickson                                                                                               Secondary Space for Learning- Three options are presented to Hudson     residents to meet the needs for our children and growing community

           Option 1. Construct a new 3 year High School for grades 10-12; Convert current HS to grades 8-9;     Convert current MS to grades 6-7

           Option 2: Construct a new 3 year High School for grades 10-12; Convert current HS to grades 6-9; Convert current MS to grades 6-9

           Option 3:  Construct a new grade 6-9 school; Add on and convert HS to grades 10-12; Add on and convert MS to grades 6-9

          The School Board is still waiting for the appraisal of the UU site. The proposed site for construction is very difficult to work with, having a 130 ft elevation change and 25-35 slopes. It will require extensive excavating and a drainage ravine. The limitation of the UU site is Hudson's fast paced growth. Building constructed may not be sufficient to keep up with the growing population.  Upon receiving the appraisal the Board will decide whether or not to keep the property. Time frame for the new school is a November 2014 referendum, with a date of 2 1/2 years to open.

          \*\*more detailed information can be found on the district website: [www.hudson.k12wi.us](http://www.hudson.k12wi.us) and all residents are encouraged to complete an online questionnaire

2.   Board Reports
      President- Welcomed and thanked parents for coming; encouraged parents to get         the word out about Parent Group.
      VP- Also encouraged parents to spread the word and direct others to the Facebook page. Parents do not need to be a Facebook user to access information
      Treasurer- Culver's fundraiser profited $300.00; $158 box tops; $75 Milk tabs-successful fund raisers. Freestyle is considered somewhat successful.
      Secretary- No report
      Volunteer Coordinator- Upcoming fundraisers: Culver's, Feb 24; Freestyle, Feb 6. A Chipotle fundraiser was mentioned as a possible option next year.

3.   Prairie Fire Theatre: Update/Recap
         Stephanie Anthony updated PG about the positive experience she has had with
           Prairie Fire Theatre. This year’s program was considered a success, but had a
           few communication issues, with school closings and extreme cold weather the
           week of practices. In spite of small glitches, the students had an amazing time
           and the program was fantastic.  For Prairie Fire to be offered again next year, it
           was suggested that a committee be put in place before the end of the 2013-
           2014 school year.

4.    Upcoming Events
Dining in the Dark, February 4 \*\*Volunteers for Host/Hostess needed
Book Fair/Staff Buffets, February 20-21
Talent Show, February 28 \*\*Tryouts January 29 and February 5
Family Boot Camp February 5
NO SCHOOL January 20 and 27

Next WRPG meeting, February 17 Presentation on the use of iPads will be given

Adjourn 7:28