Attending:
Susan Bond (Vice Chair)  Melissa Francom (Parent Member)
Mr. Cooper (Principal)  Elisa Jennings (teacher member)
Merri Rygg (Parent Member)  Wendy Maughan (Parent Member)
Stephanie Orphanakis (staff member)

Excused:
Brenda Shamo (Chair)

1. Nov 2nd 2015 minutes were approved.

2. School Website Community Council Information: Mr. Cooper informed us that Community Council website is audited twice a year. Last audit, it was found that three months of council minutes were missing. This is being corrected.

3. Review of plan for 2015-16 and budget update:
   - The first line of the budget shows public trust money paid for substitutes to relieve teachers so that 4th, 5th, and 6th grade teachers could attend a day and a half training for literacy in the district.
   - Lines 2, 3, and 4 show money spent for Aides and Reading specialists.
   - Line five shows that spent on I-Pads for teachers. Mr. Cooper says, for the first time, every teacher has an I-Pad. Line six shows totals.

4. Needs of students at school/concerns:
   - The playground is being re-paved this summer. Construction will start early on in the summer so it can be completed well before school starts.
   - Traffic at pickup and drop-off time is a safety issue. Pick-Up is worse than drop off, according to Mr. Cooper. Drivers are "doubling up," or parking their cars two-deep next to the curb, forcing children to walk through traffic before reaching the sidewalk. Teri Dayes (vice principal) helps direct traffic, but she only comes every other day and focuses more on the cars directly in front of the office entrance. The side entrance traffic is unattended. Volunteers are needed but very hard to find. It was suggested that we focus in getting volunteers for the afternoon only. The possibility was presented of blocking off the extra lane, forcing drivers to enter single-file. This was thought to be a good idea in theory, but many layers of cones would be required for drivers to take the block-off seriously. The school does not have that many cones. It was suggested that a block-off be only temporary to train drivers. Drivers have been educated about the drop-off/pick-up policy in letters home. Mr. Cooper will put in work orders for better signage that says "Drive Thru Only, Do Not Stop". Law enforcement is not an option, as police officers will not enforce traffic laws on school property beyond issuing citations after an accident.
   - Attendance policy goal is to achieve 95% attendance. Currently Fox hills is slightly above
average for attendance as compared with the district. A parent can excuse 7 absences no-questions-asked. Then 5 more can be excused with more explanation. If that limit is breached, a letter is sent home. If there are five more, a court referral is sent home.

Funding is only based on attendance until October 1st enrollment is complete, which is a problem because Charter schools often send students with behavioral issues back to public schools well after that date.

5. Bullying Policy and Safe Walking Plan: A Respect Plan has been created by the Leadership Team. This will replace and upgrade the current Anti-Bullying plan with a more positive and encouraging angle. The new plan deals more consistently with all students having behavioral issues. Respect Plan program manuals are available in the office and it was suggested that it be put online. Mr. Cooper agreed to work on getting it in digital format.

A safe walking plan is in place with adequate crossing guards.

A Safety Day with a police officer visiting the school was proposed.

6. Importance of Attending the March Meeting: The Council will look at the Budget for 2016-17 at the March Meeting. As the exact amount is unknown until September, an estimate based on last year's amount will be used. The district wants the money used, and does not like a big carryover. This meeting is of primary importance for members to attend.

7. February 1st is the next Community Council meeting.