**Advisory Meeting Minutes**

**3/4/25**

Members Present: Johnson, Rivera, Shore, Quimby, Buffington, Chavarriaga, Jessica, Ahmad

*Meeting started at 6:30 p.m.*

PTO

* Bingo is this coming Friday, still need volunteers. Spring Carnival is planned for early April.

Den System

* Mrs. Shore explained how second grade piloted the system last year and how it got started schoolwide this year.
* In October there was a sorting ceremony where the kids found out their den colors for the year which will be their colors for as long as they are at Haymarket. Kindergarten will be the only grade that will get a new color each year.
* In November, we had a den meeting with games outside. At the next meeting, we split up the grades differently and did different games in the gym for 30 minutes.
* We are learning as we go and realizing what is working and what needs to be improved. Keeping track of points is a work in progress.
* This week we announced the “store” that has prizes that students can win if they are in the winning den for the week. Another meeting will take place in March, and there will be a final meeting at the end of the year where the grand winner will be announced, and a trophy will be given.

Principal Report

* *Staffing:* We are not expecting a high turnover, just a few teacher changes will be made due to retirement or certification changes.
* A special education position will be available which will have us at 5.5 positions. This will help us have one teacher per grade level which will be helpful.
* The other position will be available in 4th grade since 7 teachers will be needed, but there are currently 6 teachers.
* *Continuous Improvement Plan:* Our ESL and SWD (Students with Disabilities) data is strong in terms of growth, so our goals are higher this year, and we are continuing to try to meet those goals. The HMH curriculum is new this year, but the data is strong and is showing higher mid-year growth compared to last year, and the math mid-year data is strong as well.

Citizen Time

* Ms. Quimby thanked Mr. Johnson for all the snacks that are provided by Haymarket Church for the staff. Mr. Rivera thanked Mr. Johnson and Ms. Quimby for all of their hard work as well.

*Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.*