**New Highland Elementary**

**Site Based Decision Making Council Meeting**

**November 8, 2012**

The New Highland Site Based Decision Making Council met on Thursday, November 8, 2012, at 2:33 p.m. in Mrs. Drake’s classroom at New Highland Elementary School.

**Members present included:**  Monica O’Donnell, Mary Foster, Karen Drake, Selena Peak, Elisabeth Scott and Mark Thomas.

**Agenda:** Mr. Thomas reviewed the agenda with the council and recognized the visitors. Selena Peak was introduced to the council as the newly elected parent member. She will finish out the term for Marina Jacobs who resigned from the council.

**Visitors:** Missy Sego

**Minutes Review:** The minutes of the monthly meeting in October were reviewed. Elisabeth Scott made a motion to accept the minutes and Karen Drake seconded it.

**Old Business:**

**Playground:** Mrs. O’Donnell asked for an update on the playground renovation. PTA is overseeing this project, they have one estimate that has been submitted and are continuing to seek additional bids.

**Technology Update:** Mr. Thomas gave the council an update on One to One Technology being utilized by students and staff here at school. The additional per pupil money that was added to the budget will be spent on the technology program. Mrs. Scott is working on the configurator which uploads apps on numerous IPADs at the same time and Mr. Duncan is developing a charging system to allow multiple IPADs be charged at once. New Highland will have visitors coming from other Hardin County schools to see how well our One to One Technology program works and what a benefit it has been to our students.

**New Business:**

**Budget Committee Meeting Minutes:** The Budget Committee submitted their minutes to the council for review. There has been an increase in the per pupil allocation due to higher enrollment and an additional $34.16 per pupil. Karen Drake made a motion to accept the minutes and Monica O’Donnell seconded it.

**Technology Budget:** Ms. Sego presented the Technology Budget (KETS Goals and Outcomes 2012-2013) to the committee for review. The budget included a description of items to be purchased along with goals and strategies on how the equipment will be utilized. The targeted list includes such items as Accelerated Reader, document cameras, IPAD apps and Apple cords. Projectors and teacher workstations are on the list to possibly be replaced. Elisabeth Scott made a motion to accept the Technology Budget and Karen Drake seconded it.

**Student Achievement/Success Story:** This month the council would like to highlight Shawn Aberl, a fourth grade student at New Highland Elementary. Recently, Shawn and his family traveled to Frankfort where he was awarded the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service. He was presented this award by the First Lady of Kentucky. Shawn has been working to raise money for people who are missing a limb or have a limb deformity. Shawn himself was born with a limb deformity and knows and understands the life of someone that lives with this every day. We are very proud of Shawn and all his dedication and hard work towards this effort.

**Finance:** The finance report for October was reviewed at this meeting. Elisabeth Scott made a motion to accept the finance report and Karen Drake seconded it.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Monica Oliver