

G.W. Graham PAC Meeting | MINUTES

Meeting date | time *January 15, 2024 | 7:00 PM* | Meeting location *G.W. Graham Library*

Meeting called to Order 7:04 PM
Meeting Adjourned 8:49 PM
Adoption of Agenda Lynne Bradley, seconded by Martyn Garner
All in favor

Adoption of Minutes Kim Gladstone, seconded by Martyn Garner.
All in favor

Minute Taker Kim Gladstone

Attendees

EXECUTIVE:

Natasha Taylor (Chair)
Allana Welch (Vice-Chair)
Lynn Loewen (Treasurer)
Kim Gladstone (Secretary)

Chuck Lawson
Lynne Bradley
Martyn Garner
Dianne Hews
Melissa Hill
Sean Hill
Corissa St. George

Date of Next Meeting: February 26, 2024

REPORTS

Chair's Report

Natasha Taylor

Natasha Taylor welcomed everyone.

Treasurer's Report

Lynn Loewen

Lynn Loewen presented the balances for the PAC accounts:

General: \$2,420.27. This includes one outstanding 2022 financial award and one outstanding 2023 financial award.

Gaming: \$ 27,827.25. This includes one outstanding financial award from 2023.

DPAC Report

There was no official DPAC report.

Check website for minutes: <https://sd33.bc.ca/district-parent-advisory-council>

Correspondence Report

Natasha Taylor

Statements were received.

Committee Report

NIL.

Student's Council Report

Sean Hill, a grade nine student, read a letter he wrote regarding the new requirement for menstrual products in the male washrooms.

Principal's Report

Chuck Lawson

Mr. Lawson discussed the recent implementation requiring the need to provide menstrual products in all washrooms. It was recognized this was a quickly implemented requirement, and there was not time for meaningful consultation. He plans to have this consultation and will consider all feedback. This led to a significant discussion of issues, including vandalism, by students. PAC members differed on their opinions of having menstrual products in male washrooms; however, agreed discussion and consultation with students needs to occur.

Mr. Lawson also gave a quick presentation on AP Capstone and discussed course selection process for next year.

Lastly, Mr. Lawson advised on three new non-enrolling teacher positions (i.e., counsellors/admin) to assist teachers with targeted learning next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Scholarship Committee

Kim Gladstone and Corissa St. George agreed to form the scholarship committee this year.

A motion was put forward by Natasha Taylor to approve 4x (four) \$500 financial awards from the general account next year. This was seconded by Kim Gladstone. All in favor.

A motion was put forward by Natasha Taylor to reword the criteria for financial awards to “strong educational standing.” This was seconded by Kim Gladstone. All in favor.

Bylaws and Constitution Update

This was deferred until next meeting.

Construction and Parking Issues Near GWG

Recent issues with the construction at the entrance of the school was discussed. This is causing significant delays in getting to students to school on time.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Grant Allocation Funds

It was highlighted that at the last meeting, \$89,000 in PAC grant allocations funds was requested. A total of \$29,000 was approved.

Update on Bussing Issues

No update was provided. This continues to be an on-going daily issue.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.