

GW Graham PAC - Nov 17, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Location: Library

Attendees:

Exec: Allana Welch, Lynn Loewen, Vibhuti Bane, Stanislava Smieskova

General: Amanda Gervais, Dianne Hews

Admin: Chuck Lawson

Guests: Jenny Cho, Chris Bonshor, Stephen Wilhite, Calvin Patterson

Call to order: 7:02pm

- 1) Welcome & Introductions
- 2) Adoption of the agenda
 - a) Motion to adopt the agenda: Vibhuti Bane
 - b) 2nd: Amanda Gervais
- 3) Approval of the Oct 2025 minutes:
 - a) Motion to adopt the minutes: Dianne Hews
 - b) 2nd: Amanda Gervais
- 4) Presentations:
 - a) Chris Bonshor - GSA Club
 - i) Requesting \$2800 for crafts, displays, event hosting, field trip, supplies, guest speakers
 - ii) Field trips are skating & bowling
 - iii) Event hosting includes Glow Up! (dance), Pride at GWG, movie night
 - (1) Note: schools take turns hosting the Glow Up! dance, so the hosting school finances the event
 - (2) There is also other funding for the dance
 - iv) There will be multiple guest speakers
 - b) Stephen Wilhite - Performing Arts
 - i) Requesting funds to take theatre students to see Anastasia at Gallery 7, and to bring "Caged" to GWG (which would be open to all students, not just theatre students)
 - ii) Going to watch productions allows students to see final product, instead of just practicing all the time
 - c) Calvin Patterson - RC Club
 - i) Requesting \$1075.20 for 8 RC cars (approx \$120 each), and \$727.98 for a 9' x 12' RC track
 - ii) Dane Gehman (EA) has been bringing his own RC cars which are being heavily used
 - iii) Planning to run an RC intramural league

- d) Jenny Cho - E-sports
 - i) First year of E-sports had 18 students, this year we have 40 students
 - ii) Need additional equipment
 - iii) Asking for funding for equipment, trophies, and coaching
 - (1) Coaching would be for 20-30 students, and would run all three seasons in 2025/26
- e) Michael Florizone - Film Festival (presentation was a pre-recorded video, not in person)
 - i) Requesting funds for awards & lanyards, as well as new red carpet (which was worn out)
 - ii) The PAC learned that the red carpet had been loaned out to other schools for various events (Chuck will remind Mr. Florizone that items purchased by the PAC are to be used by GWG only)

5) Reports:

- a) President's report - N/A
- b) Treasurer's report
 - i) General account: \$6,548.28
 - (1) There is one outstanding financial award to be paid (\$500)
 - (2) The PAC's silent auction donation of a \$200 gift card still needs to be reimbursed
 - ii) Gaming account: \$34,668.16
 - (1) The cheque for \$2,100 for Dry Grad still needs to be cashed
- c) DPAC report - N/A
- d) Correspondence report - N/A
- e) Committee reports - N/A
- f) Student Council's report
 - i) Furniture for seating has arrived
- g) Principal's report
 - i) Athletics has had a very active season, with lots of students involved in the various fall sports

6) New Business:

- a) Gaming Budget
 - i) The Exec met before the PAC meeting to discuss the Gaming fund requests from staff members (re: whether the requests are eligible for Gaming funds, how much value each request would add to the school/students, affordability, etc.)
 - ii) The Exec created a proposed Gaming budget to present to the PAC
 - iii) During the PAC meeting, the Exec explained the details of the proposed budget, and there was lots of discussion (parents asked questions, made suggestions, etc.)
 - iv) Once everyone was happy with the proposed/amended budget, we voted to accept the budget:
 - (1) Motion to accept the budget: Vibhuti Bane
 - (2) 2nd: Amanda Gervais
 - (3) All in favour, motion passed

7) Old Business - N/A

8) Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm

- a) Next meeting will be Jan 19, 2026 at 7pm in the library