

G.W. Graham PAC Meeting | MINUTES

Meeting date | time *September 26, 2022 | 7:00 PM* | Meeting location *GW Graham Library*

Meeting called to Order 7:00 PM
Meeting Adjourned 7:47 PM
Adoption of Agenda Lynn Loewen, seconded by Charlene Touchette
All in favor
Adoption of Minutes Charlene Touchette, seconded by Lynn Loewen
All in favor
Minute Taker Kim Gladstone

Attendees

Natasha Taylor
Lynn Loewen
Kim Gladstone

Chuck Lawson
Charlene Touchette

Date of Next Meeting: **October 17, 2022**

REPORTS

President's Report

Natasha Taylor

President Natasha Taylor thanked outgoing President, Charlene Touchette, for the work she has done in previous terms. She discussed her plan to highlight communication through the school newsletter to profile the programs the PAC has funded, in addition to gain a higher level of parent involvement and participation in the PAC this year.

Treasurer's Report

Lynn Loewen

Treasurer Lynn Loewen presented the balances for the PAC accounts:

General: \$7,683.17

Gaming: \$15, 866.51 with a previous cheque for \$8,183.34 not cashed yet. Total of \$7,683.17 available.

DPAC Report

No report. No attendance. Check website for minutes: <https://sd33.bc.ca/district-parent-advisory-council>

Correspondence Report

Natasha Taylor

Bank statements were provided.

3x letters were received and reviewed.

Committee Report

Nil.

Student's Council Report

Nil. Elections underway.

Principal's Report

Chuck Lawson

See attached report.

NEW BUSINESS

Review PAC Roles and Committees For Newcomers

Reviewed. Only new person in attendance was Kim Gladstone, who has been involved in previous executive positions with other PACs.

Vacant Positions

Secretary: Kim Gladstone has accepted the role of Secretary.

Vice President: remains vacant.

DPAC Rep: remains vacant.

Upcoming Meetings

The following schedule was tentatively approved:

October 17, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the GW Graham school library.

November 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the GW Graham school library.

It is expected that Teacher's grant requests should be in by November 4, 2022 to allow the PAC to review and render decisions at the November 21, 2022 PAC meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Signing Authority

Executive members discussed arrangements for obtain new signing authority for President Natasha Taylor.

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PAC Meeting September 26th, 2022 - Principal's Report

1. Welcome New Staff!

- Luke Acheson – Inclusion Teacher
- Ashley Arden – Resource Teacher
- Cary Aust - Art
- Alexis Clift – Humanities Fine Arts and Art
- Ray Becker – Teaching Computers and Foods
- Megan Blaschek – Teaching English
- Samuel Brown – Teaching PHE, Humanities, and Geography
- Gareth Clarke – Teaching Film & TV and Media Arts
- David Day – Teaching Mathematics
- Matt DiMartino – Mathematics and PHE
- David Werner – Teaching Science
- Samantha Fischer – Teaching Science
- Joey Gabrick – Teaching Graham X and Sports Medicine
- Robyn Gaultier – Teaching Graham X and Baseball
- Kari-Lyn Hari – Career Advisor
- David Hawkins – Teaching Spanish
- Marlee Isaak – Teaching Mathematics
- Kendall James-McKnight – Learning Assistance Teacher
- Chris MacFarlane – Teaching English
- Kirsten Martin – Graham X and Science
- Scott Millington – Vice-Principal
- Khaila Piorecky – Teaching Art
- Chad Pickering - Counselling
- Josh Sandberg – Vice-Principal
- Stefany Raymond – Fashion Design
- Mariam Shaukat – Teaching English
- Janice Solomon – Learning Assistance Teacher
- Katalyn Waine – Teaching Science
- Kevin Walker – Pathways Teacher
- Stephen Wilhite – Teaching Drama
- Kari Zurowski – Teaching Science

2. Enrollment

Grade 9 – 326 students
Grade 10 – 361 students
Grade 11 – 343 students
Grade 12 – 342 students
Total: 1372

3. Facilities Update

- Refinished Main Gym Floor – A BIG THANKS to Jake Mouritzen for planning and designing a unique gym floor. It looks amazing! Check it out when you get a chance.
- Redesigned Indigenous Education Room – We combined the two small rooms to make a larger open learning space and we added a small kitchen. New furniture will be arriving in September.
- Career Education Centre (Holford's Spiderman room – C239) – This project is delayed so we will be using this room as storage space for the start of the year.
- Audio/Video Upgrade – All classrooms have been upgraded with a new projector and sound system.
- New LED Lighting System – The fluorescent lights in our classrooms, halls, and gyms have been replaced with a new LED lighting system.
- Indigenous Mural on the southeast exterior will be starting on Wednesday, September 7th. THANKS to Ramona, Andrew, and Trisha for moving on this exciting project for our school!
- Exterior Painting – This project is ongoing and should be completed soon.
- Expansion – Unfortunately, we will not have access to the expansion until mid-October. This gives us a significant challenge for the start of the year as several of our hands-on learning classes are scheduled in the expansion.

4. Grad Update

- Ms. Miller, Ms. Blaschek, and Ms. Isaak are joining Mr. Millington as the Grad Coordinators
- Grad details and planning will be released after the first grad meeting

5. Clubs, Athletics, Music, and Theatre

- Clubs are off to a great start with strong attendance throughout. Ms. MacConnell hosted the Club Fair in our school library on Monday, September 12th to kick off our clubs.
- Athletics is off to a busy start as usual at GW Graham with the following fall sports: Junior and Senior Varsity Football (Senior team was ranked #1 for the start of the season), Junior and Senior Field Hockey, Girls Volleyball – Grade 8, Junior Varsity and Senior Varsity, Cross Country Running, Swimming, and Junior and Senior Boys Soccer
- 1,800 people attended the Senior Varsity Football game last Friday!
- Theatre – Senior theatre students are working on iShuffle plays that they will be performing for several classes. Our Fine Arts Department recently started planning for our Remembrance Day performance on November 10th
- Music – Our overall numbers are down slightly due to the octet and quarterly scheduling challenges in recent years. The department is very pleased to be back to a linear schedule for supporting learning music in shorter and more frequent classes that extend throughout the entire school year.