

GGPS School Council Meeting <u>December 14, 2022</u> Meeting Minutes

Co-Chairs: Trish Sankarsingh (TS) and Marcos Chiriboga (MC) Secretary: Paula Casamassima Fiore (PCF) Treasurer: Samhita Denish (SD) Fundraising: Angela Rovella (AR), Uriah McIntosh (UM) Location: Glenn Gould PS Library Time: 7 pm - 8 pm Principal: Cory Barlow (CB) Vice- Principal: BJ Meagher (BJM)

Staff Representative: Joanne Arduini (JA)

In-Attendance (Present In-Person): Marcos Chiriboga, Uriah McIntosh, Frieda Cutillo, Paula Casamassima, Sue Vuong-Westmaas, Angela Endrizzi, Trish Sankarsingh, Dubi Kanengisser, Cory Barlow, BJ Meagher

In-Attendance (Virtually /Zoom): Arun Kachroo, Patricia Rodriguez, Sabrina Lalji

Minute Taker: Paula Casamassima Fiore

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Reading: Trish Sankarsingh

We respectfully acknowledge that the City of Vaughan is situated in the Territory and Treaty 13 lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. We also recognize the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat and the Haudenosaunee. The City of Vaughan is currently home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit people today. As representatives of the people of the City of Vaughan, we are grateful to have the opportunity to work and live in this territory.

Meeting Conduct:

Attentive Listening · Appreciation/No put - downs · Right to Participate/Right to pass · Mutual Respect

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Agenda Item	Decision / Action Taken	Actions / Responsibilities / Next Steps
Land Acknowledgement Welcome and Introductions	~Introduction of Executive Council ~LA: TS	
Review and Acceptance of November 2022 Minutes	~a paper copy of Minutes will be place in a binder in the office (CB) ~a digital copy of the Minutes will be posted on the school website (CB) ~PCF shared a PDF copy of Minutes with last month's distribution list (those in attendance in-person and virtually) ~brief summary and overview given of November minutes ~motion to accept November Minutes from Uriah McIntosh, seconded by Sue Vuong-Westmaas ~November Minutes accepted	~PCF: will update the Distribution List with those in attendance at December meeting (in-person and virtually) ~PCF: will share December Meeting Minutes and January Agenda Items with the Distribution List prior to the next meeting ~CB: will post November Minutes to the online repository on the school website
Administration Update: Principal / Vice-Principal's Report *see attached for full report sent by Mr. Barlow	 Mr. Barlow shared the Principal's Report: (See attached for Report in Full) Tutoring Program has started (Gr. %)Ms. Malfara, Ms. Berry and Ms. Orr Grade 8 students have been selling Candy Grams to raise money for Grad. School is ensuring everyone is getting something. Holiday Heroes campaign went really well, over 100 items Next Week: Holiday Spirit Week (each day will have a specific theme, posted in Gazette this Friday) Next Friday - Holiday Sing-a-long from 2-3 pm, parents welcome Student Survey - perceptions, feelings about school Findings: fewer students are reporting that they do not belong, matter; fewer students reporting that their opinions do not matter; more students feeling that their identities are represented Mr. Meagher shared the Vice-Principal's Report: 	
	~8 big boxes of items donated for the drive ~Every Student Counts - Spring Survey K-12 ~SAFE Team: meet 1/week, Equity Walk with students (ways to improve the environment, classrooms,	

	programs). Next time the group meets they will discuss the findings further. Next Focus: Bell Let's Talk (end of January) ~GSA: facilitated by Ms. Iaboni; re-design of GG Logo to make it more inclusive ~Clubs: lots of amazing things taking place at GG: extensive list presented	
Council Updates	Fundraising Updates: Spiritwear Update (TS) ~over 100 items ordered ~Jerseys were very popular ~Profit was \$675 ~Pink shirts for Anti-Bullying campaign February 22nd, 2023 (TS) Fundscrip Update (AR) ~thank you to everyone who participated! ~smooth campaign ~22 K in gift cards sold ~Profit was about \$1000 ~still up and running in the background (eGift Cards, free ship to home if more than \$200 spent) ~Campaign Wrap Up: Top 3 Sellers: Fiore Family, Kachroo Family, Cutillo Family; Top Selling Class: Ms. Mancuso's Grade 3 Class (Cheese Pizza Party in the New Year) ~Funds will be available in two weeks Hot Lunch (AR) ~hot lunch is now running smoothly ~Monday: BP, Tuesday: Subway, Friday: BP ~ordered through School Cash Online	 ~TS: Pink Shirt campaign in January; will be shorter turn around ~AR: Announcement to be written and provided for Admin to share Admin to share
	~Hero Burger may be a consideration in the new year; Halal offerings (offered through Lunch Box) ~representative sent from each class to pick up items ~Orders have to be in by Sunday at noon	with suggested retail)
PRO Discussion	PRO Grant: ~CB: something we can apply for each year, \$800 can be used for parent engagement activities ~Proposal has to be submitted with what we would like to do and it has to be approved ~last year the money was used for the Math Nights with Trevor Brown ~we need to brainstorm ideas for parent engagement ~TS: suggestion to help sponsor a Math Amazing Race with the grant	~CB: will take a look at the application and let council know if we can support

	~proposal should be focused on inclusivity and equity, along with parent engagement ~application is completed in January	
Fundraising Goals	Staff Wish List: ~Chess sets for Chess Club (Patience) ~Age-appropriate puzzles and games for indoor recess ~JungleSport school-wide activity (after March Break) ~Dance Presentation / Performance ~Drama Performances YRDSB Fundraising Guidelines Update (CB) ~School-generated funds: assistance funds (field trip costs), supplies / equipment / services, field trips or other excursions, guest speakers, presentations, OT staff, ceremonies, awards, prizes for students, extra-curricular activities and events (CB will send over the complete list) ~Funds cannot pay for texts, technology, repairs, goods or services for employees, PD for staff, etc.	~PCF: Contact JungleSport for more information (pricing, availability)
Holiday Assembly	~TS: Friday, December 23, 2022, 2-3 pm in the school gym,; parents are welcome	
Principal Profile Discussion	~CB: Each year, each school council is supposed to update, create a principal profile to submit to the school board (list attributes important to have in a principal / vice-principal) ~last time it was done was about 5 years ago ~checklist / guide of items to consider ~should be completed by December / early in the New Year ~amplify parent voice	~TS: council to have a separate meeting; will be revisited and completed in the New Year
New Business / Roundtable Discussion	New Business / Roundtable Discussion: ~Uriah: Respect of Crossing Guard, request to have reminder placed in Gazette about respect and safety (Friendly Reminders)	~CB: to place Friendly Reminder in next week's Gazette
Closing Remarks	Meeting adjourned: 8:05 pm Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 18th, 2023	

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Principal's Report ~ sent by Mr. Barlow

 Our Grade 5 and 6 After School tutoring programs have started. We have 14 students in our Literacy program on Tuesdays, and 10 students in our Math program on Thursdays. The teachers are Ms. Malfara, Ms. Berry, and Ms. Orr. The program will run until the March Break.

2. Our Grade 8 students have been selling Candy Grams to raise money for their graduation. Students can purchase candy canes for \$1 and send them to a friend.

- 3. Our Holiday Heroes campaign went very well. We collected over 100 clothing items for families in need. Thanks to all of our families who donated.
- 4. Next week we will be having Holiday Spirit week. Each day will have a particular theme and students are encouraged to dress to represent that theme. A list of the days will be sent home in the Gazette this Friday. Next Friday, we will have a holiday sing along in the gym from 2:00-3:00. Parents are welcome to attend.

5. We have conducted our Student Voice survey with grade 4-8 students for the third year in a row. Some of the findings are that we have fewer students reporting feeling that they don't belong or matter at the school, fewer students reporting that they feel their opinions are not respected, and more students saying that their identities are represented in the school. We will be examining the data in greater detail to look at areas of need and what strategies we can use to support our students.

6. In addition to all of the clubs and teams that have been shared in previous meetings, we also have some new ones - the Chess Club for students from K to 8, the Colouring Club for students in Grades 1 to 3, and the Art Club for students in Grades 5 and 6.

7. The SAFE Team (students advocating for equity) had an opportunity to participate in an equity walk two weeks ago. The purpose of equity walks is to gather observational data about the environment, programs and practices that support the improvement and equity

in the building. The students were given a criteria (look fors) and made some suggestions on how to make Glenn Gould even more inclusive and ways to promote equity and well-being. This week's meeting will focus on planning for Bell Let's Talk Day which is Wednesday, January 25th and the whole week will be full of lessons and activities that support mental Health & amp; Well being.

8. The GSA met again this week and began designing a more inclusive version of the Glenn Gould Logo that supports our 2SLGBTQ+ students and allies.

List of Clubs & Groups

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Ambassador Program	Day 2 10:45 am - 11:05 am		
Art Club	Grades 5 & 6		
	Day 4		
	1:05 pm -1:45 pm		
	Room 201 (laboni's Room)		
Chess	Room 102		
	1:05 pm-1:45 pm		
	Day 3 - grades 5 - 8		
	Day 4 - grades 1 - grade 4		
Choir	Day 2 & 5 - 1:05 pm-1:45 pm		
	Music room		
Dance Club	Day 1 & 2 - 1:05 pm -1:45 pm		
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ECO Team	Room 222 1:05 pm-1:45 pm		
000	Day 3 (twice a month)		
GSA	Grades 5-8		
	Ms. laboni's room (201)		
Mental Health	Day 5 1:05-1:45 pm		
Team/SAFE team	Wednesdays or Thursdays 1:05 pm -1:45 pm		
(Students advocating	Library		
for equity)	Library		
Primary Intramural	Day 2&5		
Program	10:45 am -11:05 am		
	Gym		
	Grade 1-3 (same grade for 3		
	weeks in a row)		
Intermediate Robotics	Library 12:45 pm-1:45 pm		
	Dates & Times TBA		
Marine the Object			
You're the Chef	Wednesdays - 3:30 pm-5:00 pm -		
Jan 25th	Staffroom		
Feb 1st	Grade 7's		
Feb 8th Feb 15th			
Feb 22nd			
Tie and Die Club	Day 1: From 1:05-1:45		
Primary Colouring Club	Day 5: From 10:45-11:05 Day 1: From 10:45-11:05		
	Week 1 - Grade 1's & 2's		
	Week 2 - Grade 3's		
	Morning Recess		