



## **GGPS School Council Meeting**

**January 18th, 2023**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Co-Chairs:** Trish Sankarsingh (TS) and Marcos Chiriboga (MC)

**Secretary:** Paula Casamassima Fiore (PCF)

**Treasurer:** Samhita Gera (SG)

**Fundraising:** Angela Rovella (Endrizzi) (AR)

**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): Cory Barlow, BJ Meagher, Trish Sankarsingh, Marcos Chiriboga, Paula Casamassima, Angela Endrizzi, Sue Vuong-Westmaas, Sabrina Lalji, Patricia Yeung, Namita Sahoo, Joanne Rosano, Samhita Gera

**In-Attendance** (Virtually /Zoom): Joanne Arduini, Nordia Notice

**Minute Taker:** Paula Casamassima Fiore

**Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Reading:** Paula Casamassima Fiore

*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
<p><b>Land Acknowledgement</b> Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>~Introduction of Executive Council ~LA: Paula Casamassima Fiore</p>	
<p>Review and Acceptance of <b>December 2022 Minutes</b></p>	<p>~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 December minutes, copies of minutes distributed to everyone in attendance (MC) ~motion to accept December Minutes from Trish Sankarsingh, seconded by Sue Vuong-Westmaas ~December 2022 Minutes accepted <i>*Please note: Motion to accept minutes can only be put forth by those in attendance at the previous meeting</i></p>	<p>~PCF: will update the Distribution List with those in attendance at January meeting (in-person and virtually) ~PCF: will submit January minutes for approval to CB ~PCF: will share January Meeting Minutes and February Agenda Items with the Distribution List prior to the next meeting ~SG: will share January Treasurer's Report with PCF ~CB: will post December Minutes to the online repository on the school website</p>
<p><b>Administration Update:</b>  <b>Principal / Vice-Principal's Report</b>  <b>*see attached for full report sent by Mr. Barlow</b></p>	<p><b>Mr. Barlow shared the Principal's Report:</b> (See attached for Report in Full) ~Lots of fun events happening before the holidays (Spirit Week, Door Decorating contest, Sing-a-long) ~Upcoming: Two P.A. Days: Friday, January 20th, 2023 and February 3rd, 2023 (Ministry content) ~Report Cards will be emailed this term ~lots of sports activities are taking place in the gym during lunches and recess (e.g., volleyball, basketball, etc.) ~new jerseys are being purchased for sports teams (this could be a great item for School Council to support) ~Welcome Ms. Gaspar to the gifted program ~Special presentations coming up over the next few months: Math Jam, Dance Culture, B. Williams African Drumming (to support learning around Black History Month)</p>	<p>~CB and BJM: will share reports with PCF to include in January's minutes</p>

	<p><b>Mr. Meagher shared the Vice-Principal's Report:</b>  (See attached for Report in Full)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~Benny Bing: February 10th - intermediate students will participate in an artwork installation led by Benny Bing</li> <li>~Wednesday is Bell Let's Talk Day (lots of displays, discussion happening around the school)</li> <li>~You're the Chef program is beginning next week for the Grade 7 students</li> <li>~Parent Survey: admin is in the midst of formulating a parent survey to receive input on support at-home, equity, and well-being. Will be sent home shortly for feedback from families</li> </ul>	
<p><i>PRO Grant</i></p>	<p><b>PRO Grant Update (BJM)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~application has been completed</li> <li>~\$800</li> <li>~Parent Engagement Math Night</li> <li>~Tentative date: April 20th, 2023, with an Amazing Race theme</li> <li>~awaiting to see if we have been approved</li> </ul>	

Council Updates

**Fundraising Updates:**

*Spiritwear Update (TS)*

~Pink shirts for Anti-Bullying campaign February 22nd, 2023 (TS)  
~order will be placed last week of January and we should receive shirts by February 17th  
~Prices for shirts can be \$15 or \$20  
~JA:Melissa DiProspero (teacher at school) also makes t-shirts and suggested she could be used as a possible vendor for the pink shirts  
~Sue Vuong-Westmaas: suggested price of \$15 dollars to promote more community engagement  
~Consensus reached to sell Pink Shirts for \$15 through School Cash Online

*Hot Lunch (AR and CB)*

~we had to break our contract with Lunch Box  
~Lunch Box will be refunding parents who paid ahead of time into January  
~Lunch Box is hoping things can be corrected with YRDSB. Both parties are hoping to work with each other again this year.  
~we are still waiting for the profit funds from Lunch Box that we have made thus far.  
~Other options (TS): working with a direct partnership with Boston Pizza (Pasta Mondays and Pizza Fridays)  
~TS shared pricing options, items would be individually packaged but not labelled (class list would be given with each classroom's order)  
~parents would commit to a 4 week block on School Cash Online  
~parent volunteers can help this year  
~Joanne Rosano: shared Costa Verde as a lunch option (chicken / rice), has a contact to share  
~TS: inquired as to whether or not the school could hold an "unhealthy" lunch option; possible Burger King option shared

**Fundscrip Update (AR)**

~Fundscrip will issue a cheque once funds are requested online by anyone who has administrator access  
~fundraiser is on-going; parents can continue to buy gift cards and profits will continue to go toward the school's profit.  
~a second cheque with remaining profits will be requested in the late-Spring

~CB: will follow up to get more information from Melissa DiProspero and then confirm with TS as to which vendor to proceed with

~TS: will be in touch with Ms. Lombardo to have Pasta and Pizza lunches available for selection next week; possible start up on February 6th, 2023

~TS: will connect with Joanne Rosano to explore Costa Verde lunch option

~CB: will look into the "Junk Day" option based on YRDSB guidelines

~CB: will have cheque issued through the office

	<p><b>Junglesport Update (PCF)</b>  ~unfortunately Junglesport has not responded to any correspondence thus far, PCF will keep trying</p>	~PCF: will continue to make contact with JungleSport for more information and will update the council at the next meeting
<i>Valentines Day Dance Discussion</i>	<p><b>School Dance (CB)</b>  ~\$850 plus tax for 3 hours for a DJ (we have a \$300 dollar credit)  ~DJ Jay Boogie (Jayden) willing to DJ at no cost (Sabrina Lalji's son)  ~Sabrina Lalji: students could vote on songs to put in a playlist (clean songs)  ~CB: no cost to students; students can bring canned goods as a donation  ~CB: school may sell refreshments (e.g., drinks, chips) funds can go towards Grade 8 graduation  ~this will not be a parent council fundraiser, it will be a school-wide activity put on by the school staff and will be available for all students to attend  ~date has not yet been set; school is considering sometime in March</p>	~CB: date to be decided
<i>Principal Profile Discussion and Plan for Completion</i>	<p><b>Principal Profile (CB)</b>  ~CB: every year school council's are asked to create a Principal Profile that reflects what our community would want to see in a future principal; shared with superintendents  ~TS and MC will connect with each other and consult the guide to have one written out  ~Executives can come to the next meeting with a draft and have it looked at  ~CB has shared information with council chairs</p>	~TS and MC: will connect with CB and have a draft ready to be shared at the February council meeting
<i>New Business / Roundtable Discussion</i>	<p>New Business / Roundtable Discussion:  <b>Treasurer's Financial Report</b>  ~Samita: Account Balance (Financials)  ~spiritwear funds  ~Opening balance \$2700, paid \$2000 for agendas, spiritwear  ~\$1341 is the current balance in the account  ~will send attachment</p>	~SG: will share the January Financial Report with PCF to include in the January Minutes ~Moving forward, there will be time each month carved out on the meeting agenda for SG to present a Financial report ~SG: will provide copy of the report to the council chairs ahead of the meeting

	<p><b>Terra Cotta (MC)</b>  ~they have availability to book this fundraising campaign in the Spring if the council chooses to move forward with it  ~can be discussed at next meeting once more information is gathered by MC</p> <p><b>Parent Questions regarding Jerseys</b>  ~Jerseys being ordered (two styles) (CB)  ~\$30 / each for thinner quality  ~\$50 / each for official jerseys  ~2 dozen of each are being ordered</p> <p><b>Candy Grams (SG)</b>  ~question was raised as to whether or not Candy Grams can happen again for Valentine's Day.  ~it was mentioned that Candy Grams were an initiative that the Grade 8 students had put forth to raise money for Graduation; not a parent council initiative  ~there are no plans scheduled as of yet to have Candy Grams again in the future (CB)</p> <p><b>Fun Fair (SG)</b>  ~SG:asked if it was possible to have a June Fair or June event  ~council came to a consensus at a previous meeting that there would not be a Fun Fair this year  ~Fun Fairs require a great deal of planning, require their own sub-committee and need to be planned well in-advance (e.g., planning now for a June 2024 Fair) (MC)  ~TS: discussion regarding a smaller-scale, year-end family event will be placed as an agenda item for the next meeting</p>	
<p><i>Closing Remarks</i></p>	<p>Meeting adjourned: 8:05 pm  Next Meeting: <b>Wednesday, February 8th, 2023</b></p>	

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Principal's Report ~ sent by Mr. Barlow

### GGPS School Council - Principal's Report

January 18, 2023

1. We have two P.A. Days coming up: This Friday, January 20, teachers will be working on assessment and evaluation and report card writing (report cards will be emailed home later in February). On February 3, our P.A. Day will have teachers working on Ministry-directed activities.
2. Our junior boys and girls Volleyball teams just finished up their seasons with the area tournaments. A big thank you to Ms. Setton, Mr. Toong, Ms. Harron and Ms. Jackson who coached the teams. Our Intermediate Boys and Girls basketball seasons are beginning now.
3. Welcome to Ms. Sonia Gaspar, who is our new Gifted Grade 5/6 teacher. She is replacing Ms. MacArthur who has started her maternity leave.
4. We have several special presentations coming up. Next Friday, we are having a musical play called "MathJam" presented by Education Arts Canada for our K to 3 students. On Feb. 28, Dance Culture will come and lead sessions with our Gr. 3 to 5 students to learn a cultural dance (Soca). On March 1st, we will have Babarinde Williams, a drummer, who leads a presentation incorporating traditional African drumming with learning about Black Canadian heroes.
5. On February 10, artist Benny Bing will be visiting the school and working with our Grade 7 and 8 students on an identity affirming Art project. He will also be speaking about his experiences as a Black artist and community leader.
6. Bell Let's Talk day is coming up and we have many activities planned around mental wellness, dealing with stress and asking for help when needed.
7. We will be offering the "You're the Chef" program after school for 6 weeks to interested Grade 7 students. Students will learn about safe cooking procedures and will practice cooking (and eating) various recipes. Thank you to Ms. Malfara for leading this program.
8. We will be emailing out a Parent Engagement Survey to all parents asking for feedback on perceptions of the school. This information will support us in our School Improvement Planning.

# January Financial Report

~ sent by Samhita Gera (Treasurer)

Glenn Gould P.S.  
PACE Savings & Credit Union Ltd.  
School Generated Funds

Detailed Category Summary - Sorted by Category Name

Report #1

**Summary for: School Council Fundraising**  
**Cat. #: 12001**

Contact Person:

Date	Transaction	Description	Debit	Credit	Tax Rebate	Cleared
09/28/2022	Cheque 1342	Laurentien primary and junior agenda Inv# 11392 & 11393	\$2,085.23		\$200.03	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/04/2022	Direct Deposit 5326900	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$530.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/07/2022	Direct Deposit 5332469	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$150.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/08/2022	Direct Deposit 5338354	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$390.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/10/2022	Direct Deposit 5349446	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$150.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/11/2022	Direct Deposit 5354664	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$100.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/15/2022	Direct Deposit 5359614	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$190.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/15/2022	Direct Deposit 5365093	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$560.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/16/2022	Direct Deposit 5370144	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$770.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/18/2022	Direct Deposit 5377085	GLENN GOULD SPIRIT WEAR--**last day to order is November 9****		\$585.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/16/2022	Cheque 1359	MEO Promotional Sales SCHOOL SPIRITWEAR Inv# 123702	\$2,749.12		\$263.72	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Opening Balance: \$2,751.24

Category Balance: \$1,341.89

\$4,834.35

\$3,425.00

\$463.75

**Grand Totals:**

Opening Balances: \$2,751.24

Category Balances: \$1,341.89

\$4,834.35

\$3,425.00