

General Minutes



PAC General Meeting Minutes September 28, 2021

Minutes taken by: Amber Karnowski

Called to order at 5:32pm

Agenda approved by Eva, Leeann

PRIOR DATE Minutes approved by Leeann, Eva

Topic:

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the **hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓** (hun-kih-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

Admin Report:

- Ms. Douglas would like to welcome everyone to the new school year.
- Gilmore has 13 divisions this year. Classrooms are very full this year. We have lots of new staff this year as well. Please see the Gilmore website for a complete list of new staff.
- Outdoor pickup and drop offs continue. Staff is trying to keep hallway congestion down. Windows are opened every morning by custodians for extra airflow. Families continue their daily health check. Supervised eating continues during lunch. Children are being encouraged to eat all of their lunches and not share food etc. Hand washing continually emphasized.
- Assemblies will not be happening in person this year. Any school wide event such as assemblies etc will happen over Google Teams.
- Morning announcements update. Student Leadership is starting up in October. Potential to have them help with this. Stay tuned for updates.
- Breakfast club. Not currently happening - however the school is supplying students with food who may need it for various reasons. PAC will look into supporting this as well.
- Truth and Reconciliation. The school has provided information and resources for families. The school is looking at age appropriate ways to learn about this day.
- Pro D day last Friday. The staff explored its purpose with their learners at Gilmore.
- Cross country practice has started twice a week. Children are enjoying this activity.
- WAAG will continue to share upcoming dates and reminders.

Chair Report:

- Laurel would like to thank all in attendance. We are hopeful for exciting things to come this year.
- PAC is excited to fundraise and have exciting goals this year.
- PAC is requesting a wish list for the Gilmore staff this year.
- PAC is going ahead with zoom meetings and not in person due to Covid.
- The next General PAC meeting is Oct 26, 2021.

Treasurer's Report:

- Not a full financial report today. We are still settling up June 2021 cheques.

- Gaming grant status is complete. We do not know yet if we are going to receive funds. We should have a better picture for the next meeting.

RDPA:

- First meeting is in October 2021.

Fundraising:

- Ongoing ideas are being discussed.
- School wide mask fundraiser is in progress.

Food Days:

- Hot lunches are back! They will be back twice a month.
- We are starting with just pizza days for the beginning. It's easier to organize and order etc. We will be ordering from Fusion. Everything will be packed per student and division. First hot lunch will be October 12th. There is a lot more organizing and sorting involved so the cut off time does need to be 5 days before the date. The prices have increased as well. They are as low as we can make it.

Old Business:

- none

New Business:

- Brandon has generously donated sanitizing wipes. Thank you! They will be separated by division and distributed.
- Leeann - Saleema Noon? Update this has been booked for November.
- Offering Nest daycare/preschool hot lunch. Admin has approved this. Amber will reach out to Nest.

Co-Chairs Report:

Laurel would like to thank all in attendance.

Meeting adjourned: 6:20pm

Members present: Colleen, Amber, Joanny, Laurel, Lauren, Leeann, Joanny, Kim, Anna, Eva, Chaslyn, Amanda

Regrets: Brandon, Ferdos