

MINUTES – GEORGE GREENAWAY PAC

FEBRUARY 27, 2020

ATTENDANCE: Suman Cohoon, Rob Comack, Becky Copeland, Angela Lord, Wendy Cross, Katie Molloy, Maura Foster, Rania Barron, Denise Tetz, Debra Halbig, Erica Comack, Laurel Wright

START OF MEETING 0846HRS – motion to start the meeting: Suman Cohoon and Angela Lord

President Report:

Our meeting agenda is now paperless and will be added to emails and social media sites prior to any PAC meeting.

Minutes of all meetings will be on line and parents will be able to review prior to the next PAC meeting. Motion to approve: Wendy Cross and Denise Tetz.

Our secretary has stepped down from the position and we are now looking for a new secretary for the remainder of the year. If interested please approach any PAC executive or email ggpac@gmail.com.

Mental Health: The Mental Health Association will be hosting a parent night at Cloverdale Traditional School on April 22nd at 6:30pm (time may change slightly). This will be hosted by Allison Bell. Topics that will be discussed will be anxiety in the classroom and/or home and tools will be discussed on how to help your child with this. This will be a free event and parents and teacher of George Greenaway are welcome to attend. Please let Becky or the front office know if you would like to attend as it would be nice to give the school an approximate number.

Kindness month: In the month of February students have been doing a variety of activities and lessons around inclusion and diversity, kindness and compassion. We will conclude the Kindness Month with an assembly on Friday. The school has raised \$1,500 so far from Jump to Heart. Great job students!

Lion King: The cast and set design crew of the show has been selected and they meet a couple of days a week after school for rehearsal. Also teachers and students have been working on the songs and collaboration in class during the day.

Date for the show will be **May 5 & 6**, two performances a day (afternoon and evening). Tickets will be available for purchase and shirts will be \$6/per student.

Parking Lot Safety Volunteers: there has been an issue throughout the year with vehicles parking incorrectly or parking in spots that have a no parking designation. Also making unnecessary U-turns which could cause a collision or a child to be hit. Parents are to be reminded that there is **NO** parking in the staff parking lot, and are not to stop or park on either side of the street directly in front of the school. The parking lot in front of the school is for drop off only unless you have a meeting or event to attend at the school.

The school is looking for volunteers to add cones to the no parking zone area prior to school starting, it would be nice to have the cones set up by 8:00am each morning. If you can volunteer, please attend the front office and let the front staff or Becky know.

Debra Halbig will be looking into what is required for the school to have a traffic guards assigned to the school.

Washrooms: Concerns have been brought up by a parent regarding kids having to walk to the front of the school from their portables to use the washroom. It was explained by Becky that due to safety concerns and not having a direct eye on the side doors, the school is unable to leave these doors unlocked for the students. The school is looking for possibly have a fob access to the side doors, which would be made available for each portable. Stay tune for progress on this.

Kids in the portables should only have access to the main building during recess, lunch, gym time or assembly. During these times they will be with their teachers. If students do need to use the washroom during class, they are to walk to the front of the school with a friend from their class.

Treasurer report will be online to view. Gaming Grant was discussed on it's usage. The grant can be used as long as PAC or the school is not profiting from the funds.

Hot Lunch: Nothing to report. The year has gone smoothly, thank you to all the volunteers that come out to help out during the hot lunch days, especially hot dog day.

Pasta Day has been moved to April 9th. This will be coordinated by Mandeep Sira.

Fundraising: Fun Fair Committee is on point and a committee has been formed. The fun fair will be held on June 4th from 1:30pm to end of school day. Per Becky the staff have been notified and ask to save the date.

Other: Lord Tweedsmuir Pac President, Debra Halbig, spoke about the PAC at the high school and how they would like to involve George Greenaway parents and students in their speaker presentations that they put on a few times a year. Notice will be provided via social media when the next presentation is coming up. Upcoming will be Lord Tweedsmuir Parent Night held on May 14th and PAC Club Night which will be held tonight (Feb 27th). All parents are welcome for both events.

Special presentation request: A parent would like to request that PAC and the school look into bringing in a LGBTQ speaker. Becky advised the speaker will need to be district approved and the school will look into it. When a speaker is found they will only be available during school hours for the students. The school does have a SODJI rep that works at the school and has been speaking with the classes throughout February.

If PAC wants to hire a non-district speaker it will need to be outside of school hours.

End of meeting: 9:50am

