

Location: George Greenaway Elementary Library

Attendance: Margaret Geddes, Lucie Zakarian, Wendy Olthoff, Breanne Bird, Christine Wallis, Rebecca Chad, Lara Nedila, Suman Cohoon, Kam Matsuo, Cathy Sahib, Maura Foster and Chris Foster

Welcome and Call to Order: Chris Foster to call the meeting at 8:43am

1<sup>st</sup>: Kam and 2<sup>nd</sup>: Suman. Motion carried forward.

Adoption of Previous Minutes: MOTION to approve the minutes from December , 2017.

1<sup>st</sup>: Cathy 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lucie. Motion carried forward.

## **Reports**

### **President's Report:** Chris Foster

Short and sweet today.

I would like to start by thank you Arpan who performed as our Media Coordinator, unfortunately she is unable to continue in that role and has past the torch to Lara Nedila. Thank you Arpan and thank you Lara.

Seems the school is back into full swing.

Rob Burns day was great, it appear that some of the kids really enjoyed it and some that did not.

Hot lunches seem to be running smooth and gave a great turn out of volunteers.

We look forward to Elder's day tomorrow, it is a very special day. I understand that we have a large turnout expected.

Process moving forward - Request motions from the floor instead of the executive.

### **Principal's Report:** Margaret Geddes

Elders day is coming, prep for 120 people or more.

PAC email mistake – Darby (it was copied from school PDF), Ms. Geddes will look into the mistake about the form on the school website. For Elder's day, no pre ordering photos, cost is 10 dollars for one 8 x 10.

The goal is trying to make third generation connections. Day is really for the Elders, request parents let the day be for the Elders and students, if assistance is needed then the parents can support, there is not enough space for every parent.

Kindergarten started registration, most likely the same numbers as last year – 3 kids made the difference to not get another portable.

Portable issue when first being installed - our school does not have has no internal fire water sprinklers so the portable had to be moved to be away from the school.

The fire marshal walked through the school prior to Christmas and we had to remove some papers on the walls and trees could not be more than 3 ft tall and must have CSA approved lights.

Staffing changes are occurring including one staff member that can communicate via American sign language for one of the students.

Pink day, Feb 28 – Pink banner, be kind event

Talk to kids, responsible use of social media

Term 2 report, March 9 – request parents to share with teachers if you like it or not

One area that parents should know, teachers give students the criteria for grading assignments prior to assigning.

Parents, can ask for summaries during the year.

Fresh grade – many parents like the videos and photo posted on fresh grade, it is like being a fly on the wall (eyes in the classroom). Some parents have chosen not to give permission for their kids information be posted on fresh grade.

Class photos - April 5

Tagging – as you most likely say, the school was just tagged; the district was on top of it and had the painters to cover it up within hours. Students had various reactions to it.

**Treasurer's Report:** Debbie was unable to attend; report provided by Chris Foster

Financials are looking good (meaning on track overall)

Refer to provided snapshot in particular the notes section. The notes highlights the variables that impact the snapshot.

A few areas to highlight

World Finest Chocolate, there is some misinformation that seems to have been circulated. Up to today, we have made a profit of \$7,700.41. We still have some inventory to sell off in the upcoming months at the concession and front office. One issue we have faced is not receiving either all the unsold or the money associated to the selling of the product from some of the families. Several methods are being looking at to recover some of the outstanding money associated to the campaign. One of the lesson learned (next time) is to sent a note home to get permission to if they can sell prior to distributing the chocolate.

Spirit wear – we have some additional stock to sell off.

We had lot of fundraising events in the first half of the year compared to what is planned in the second half. Lesson learned to spread out the fundraising through the year.

We are underspent in several areas such as technology and LST school supplies. Library funds are overspent however the PAC is waiting to hear the Librarians proposal upon her return.

Question: Where are we with the White Hatter

Ms. Geddes – we are looking into using Jessie Miller instead, for the internet security sessions for the students and parents instead of White Hatter.

**Fundraising Report:** Kam Matsuo

Effort to sell off some of the remaining stock of the World Finest Chocolates – Idea - valentine treats, will put on the ggpac to sell as little packages.

Clothing drive – trying to organize, no date was set, maybe post spring break – the PAC would collect 3 dollars per large garbage bag.

Bottle drive – please note that they do not offer drop and go, the bottles and cans must be sorted and stated they are for the GGPAC; if they are not sorted, the PAC does not get the credit – might connect events clothing and bottle. Option to grade 7's to have this fundraising.

Idea - Cookbooks for Mother's day, kids submit recipes and drawings and cookbooks are made for purchase, Kam will get more details for mid-April.

ER bins needs some organizing.

Movie night - May 4 and 28 are Pro D day – maybe movie during the day (1 pm) or at night – Kam will setup. The option of 'during the day' gives families something to do on the Pro D day.

Question/thought: Can skating be during the day next year? Maybe during Christmas vacation?

**Hot Lunch Coordinator:** Suman Cohoon

Nothing to report for hot lunch

Ideas to discuss

1. Pizza day, collect money day of or just before, order the day of, no waste and cost effective. Agreed to move forward as long as the teachers did not have to administer – No date was set.
2. Maybe one Freezie day - afterschool instead during school hours. Ms. Geddes noted that during school hours can created challenges from sugared up students to discarded wrappers. Afterschool would be between. No date was set.
3. Sports day – unable to get White Spot this year as they are already booked for that day, one idea is Vera's burgers, or some other fast food (burger) place

**Health report – Maura Foster**

Nothing to report

Reviewing several grants opportunities.

**Surrey DPAC Representative– Raina Barron**

Unable to attend today's meeting. No update.

**Old Business**

- Library Budget Proposal – Kathy John, Librarian Teacher
- Elder’s day – help 15 minutes prior to break, students bring their Elder’s bac to the staff’s lunch room, kids go back to their classrooms and have snack then outside for recess, Elder stay in lunch room. Assembly, various activities, after recess, photos 815 to 1030
- Teachers appreciation - May 11
- White Hatter

**New Business – no new business at this time.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:40

1<sup>st</sup>: Kam 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lucy. Motion carried forward

Next Meeting Date and Location: TBD