

Gilbert Plains Parent Advisory Council Meeting
March 12, 2018
5:30 @ GPCI

Present: Charlene Gulak, Amber Stevens, Candice Forsyth, Tara Sydor, Brenda Leforte, Melissa Puchailo, Renee Minshull, Jody Smelski-Jubenvill, Tracey Ilnisky, Chris Fisher, Andrea Syrnyk

Charlene called meeting to order at 5:30

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting – moved by Brenda 2nd by Tara

Business Arising from Minutes

- Brenda submitted Community Fund Grant application for AC units
- Candice is finishing up with chocolate almond fundraising
 - o 9 families left from high school
 - o 15 families left from elementary

Principal's Reports

Elementary

- o See attached

GPCI

- o See attached
- o Code of Conduct
 - MVSD encourages PAC groups go through school Code of Conducts
 - Mrs. Minshull handed out copies of Code of Conduct
 - Mention of cannabis, vaping, use of cell phone, social media

Financial Report

- No changes from last meeting
- Fundraising
 - o Chocolate almond sales wrapping up
- Bottle Drive
 - o Mentioned about doing again – picking a couple weeks/weekends in year

PAC Chairpersons' Breakfast

- Saturday, March 17 in Dauphin – Andrea may attend

Annual Parent Board Meeting in Winnipeg

- Saturday, May 5 – opportunity was given to all in attendance

Provincial Budget released

- Things will be shaking out for MVSD over the next year

Discussion regarding open doors and school safety

- Concerns regarding lack of body's in Elementary office as parents have been to school and have found nobody, phone ringing and not being answered
 - o Mr. Fisher discussed the fact that there aren't enough adult bodies to 'man' office at times and was open to solutions, he currently has two grade 8 students who rotate half of their lunches as student secretary – having parent volunteers were mentioned
 - o Mrs. Minshull talked about the lock down held at GPCI during flex
 - o Discussion about school safety and different situations that may occur and muster areas for the schools

Tara talked to Vern about portable AC conditioners – will continue to talk with him. Andrea suggested asking students regarding the air temperature when AC units are in

Next meeting Monday, April 30 @ 5:30 at Elementary School

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**GPCI Parent Council Report
Gilbert Plains Collegiate**

~~January 23, 2018~~

March 12, 2018

School Shooting
Lockdown

1. Present Enrollment - ~~67~~ ⁶⁸ students (including 2 international exchange students)
- Grade 9 - 13 * Grade 10 - 19 * Grade 11 - 23 * Grade 12 - 11

2. Staff

- Principal - Renee Minshull
- Teachers - Lyndon Lagoski, Daniel Lehmann, Jody Jubenvill, Simon Chalke
- Resource - Tracy Grasby
- EAs - Erin Cords, Melanie Payne, Shanna Petrie
- Librarian - Lisa Vandeveld
- Secretary - Deena Yaciuk
- Custodian - Boris Talpash

- ★ Sherril Kelbert - Student teacher. (Chalke)

3. School Plan - Priorities are:

- Positive Learning Environment
- Student Engagement
- Citizenship, Community Involvement, Volunteerism
- Student Voice, Student-led Initiatives

4. Building

- Canteen renovations are in the works - flooring, ceiling, cabinets are in
- Looking for landscaping ideas for the front this spring

5. Student Activities

- Basketball season is winding down. Varsity boys won zones but didn't make it past regionals. Varsity girls lost zones but got a wildcard spot in regionals where they won themselves a spot in provincials.
- Hockey team has finished.
- Badminton is starting up with Mr. Lagoski
- There is a coop in the works for Varsity baseball between Roblin, Grandview, & Gilbert Plains. We have two students for sure joining.
- Student Council (Jubenvill/Cords) spirit week March 19-23.
- Breakfast is happening 2 or 3 times a week.
- Grade 9 & 10 students received their Safe Food Handlers Certificate Feb 5 (\$1600)

- Trojan Thriller Volleyball Tournament -
 - WE Are Silent - Feb 23
 - Pink Shirt Day - Feb 28, GPE students invited to join us, grades 4-8
 - Park West School Division - VISION presentation
 - Wilderness Skills - winter skills day March 14 & 15
 - School clothing website for both schools
6. Grad
- GPCI grad will be Friday, June 22, 2018
 - Student Grad Committee has met; parent Safe Grad meeting committee has also met.
7. PowerSchool Parent Portal/Report Cards
- Parents are strongly encouraged to stay updated on their student's marks through PowerSchool
8. Needs
- Healthy Options Vending machine - has been delivered. Should be up and running after Spring Break. Trade Show this weekend donating money towards the purchase.

Administrators Report – Gilbert Plains Elementary School

Our enrollment to date is 139. We have 2 students that have moved and one in Kindergarten that has recently enrolled.

Mrs. Porter has gone off on Maternity leave and Teresa Myers was hired to teach the grade 3/4 class. Mr. Logan Fogg also is joining us as a student teacher from Brandon University. He will be with Mr. Foote and with me for Grade 6/7 Science.

February was a busy month with several long weekends, and really cold weather. This prevented us on two separate occasions from having our ski trip. The ski trip finally happened on Tuesday, February 20th and everyone had a great time. On February 28, the grades 4/5 – 8 walked to the GPCI to watch the movie wonder.

The start of March saw Prairie Theater Exchange come for a Robert Munsch play which was watched by the grades 1-5. In Basketball the girl's divisional tournament was in Roblin on Thursday, March 8. The boys played this past Saturday, March 10 in Dauphin. Tomorrow, Tuesday, March 13 is the parents vs kids basketball games in our gym.

On March 7, GPE hosted a 3 year old screening. Clinicians from around the Parkland were present to screen pre school kids for a variety of skills.

On March 14 the grades 6-8 will be travelling to Dauphin to watch "A Wrinkle in Time." This is a movie based on a book that everyone read this year.

Parent Teacher interviews are being scheduled for Thursday evening till 7pm and Friday Morning till 12 noon. Report cards go out tomorrow.

Shamrock Shakes are being sold this week on Thursday, March 15 to help raise money so the 4/5s can go to an Agriculture in the classroom exhibition in Russell In April.

I had my first staffing meeting this March at the board office and it was well received. Staffing numbers won't come out until after the budget is released.

The Last day of school before Spring Break is Friday, March 23rd. The week of the 19 – 23 there will be a spirit week and I will post the spirit days on the dojo once student council finalizes them.

Kindergarten Registration days on Wednesday, April 11th from 4:30 – 6:30 and Wednesday, April 18 from 4:30 – 6:30.