

# MINUTES - JANUARY 16 / 2018

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**16 JANUARY 2018 / 7:00 PM / GV LIBRARY AGM**

Allie Hassin, Bob Cowie, Tom, Chris, Michelle, Kara, Diane, Shauna

**1. (4 mins) Welcome everyone, sign attendance, motion to accept minutes from our November 21 meeting.**

a. Welcome everyone

**2. (20 mins) PAC Business.**

a. Elections and Board - We need a new secretary. Or a new Chair so I can focus on communications.

b. School Fundraising Discussion -

- i. It was confirmed we will be doing the plant fundraiser again this year. Books will arrive in February and Shannon will talk to admin about getting the word out and a date for pickup.
- ii. Still hoping to get a Subway lunch in this year. Kelly was still considering dates to execute this.
- iii. Talked about a dance for the 7-8's. Survey showed interesting results from the kids 75% in one class and 53% in another. We discussed several different ways to do this and agreed it needed to be a "break even" event more than a fundraiser. It was suggested a "Rec room" environment might go over well with games and ping pong in one room and dancing and music in the other. It was also some concerns about carrying this over next year and how it will look with a different group of kids. Have to consider if it looks better as an afternoon sock hop or something in the evening that comes with a lot more risk. Chris and Admin will meet to discuss these issues, hopefully with student input so it

becomes more of a student leadership activity with the kids. This might also bring a better response.

- c. Field Trip Costs - There was discussion that arose about how the field trip fees are allocated and collected. Some families are concerned about paying \$30 for field trip fees and then when forms come home there are additional costs like \$5 per child for a school bus. These fees seem excessive especially on top of the other fundraising and costs that arise throughout the year. Admin explained that some of the costs change depending on the activities and the kind of support that comes with each different field trip. We suggested that these costs be more transparent at PAC meetings so that in some cases it would make more sense for PAC to assist in certain cases depending on each circumstance. The thought being that it would take some of the burden off of families and benefit us overall as we continue to fundraise. It was expressed that PAC was in a better place to do some of these things in the school now that phase 1 of the playground is complete. Admin committed to bring more to the table as to how PAC could help out in these areas of need.
- d. Grad Farewell - A motion was passed to allocate \$500 for the grade 8 farewell once again this year.
- e. Staff Appreciation - Confirmed for the week of February 5th.

### **3. (10 mins) Playground Committee Report.**

- a. Report - Playground Committee is currently working hard to pursue grants for phase 2.
- b. Wine Raffle Results - The wine raffle was successful again this year bringing in just over \$5500. Unfortunately there was a lot more chasing tickets this year and even after the draw date there are still some outstanding unsold. We were approached by the lotteries commission and our chances of doing this again are slim.

### **4. (6 mins) Treasurer Report.**

- a. Summary of Funds - Kara

**5. (10 mins) Admin Report**

- a. GV is having a student services review and everything looks positive there. It's a good check to make sure everything is running smoothly in the school.
- b. Kindergarten info night is coming up February 27. PAC requested some floor time there to recruit.
- c. Stingray Cafe is up and running in full force with a new logo and a few new grants. Money from the grants are going toward equipment that is not just beneficial for the cafe right now but to the school for the years to come. Kids seems really excited about the new menu items and taking part in the program.
- d. The 5-8 Winter concert is happening February 14th. There was some discussion about GV being the proper venue for this event and it was decided to give it one more try with a different floor plan to see how it works out.
- e. The theme for "We love to read" month is the Olympics and how the Olympics build connections.

**NEXT MEETING -** February 20, 2018 from 7:00 - 8:00 PM in the library