

**Glanford Middle School Parents Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, December 5, 2018**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Call to order, welcome and introductions**

**Attendees:** Joanne Buxton (President), Yvonne Anderson (Secretary), Tamara McLean, Kristina Felt, Alina Fisher, Starr Munro, Brandi Stephen, Debbie Bowden, Gina Swaile, Sarah Khosla (Vice Principal), Louie Scigliano (Principal) and John Weston

**Absent:** Carlos Sperling, Melissa Piasta, David Buxton (Treasurer),

**Agenda:**

*Alina makes a motion to approve the Agenda– Starr seconds, all in favour.*

**Meeting Minutes:**

*Tamara makes a motion to approve the November minutes– Alina seconds, all in favour.*

**Correspondence**

- None

**President's Report**

- Code of Ethics

**Treasurer's Report**

- PAC account has \$4079
- Gaming Account \$13,144.23
- There are no PAC members with Coast Capital, so we cannot have an account there
- Should we move the banking to RBC

*Starr makes a motion to move the bank accounts to Royal Bank– Debbie seconds, all in favour.*

**Principal's Report**

- Mr. Weston will be here to talk about the MAC lab and future replacement costs/ funding
- School District underwent "registration priorities" last year, and now has sought input for catchment and boundary review. This will impact GMS, commencing September 2020
- Final three weeks of December prove to be very busy! Field trips, team outings
- First term report cards have come home; how do parents receive a report card? Conferences are available on Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> with an on-line sign up as set up in our November newsletter
- A focus on mental health literacy and training is a focus at GMS. Mental health snapshots are going home to grade 8 families; Need2 presentations have been planned with all grade 8 classes; Mindfulness as a strategy will be introduced to grade 6 students as a method of coping with stress and anxiety and supporting social/emotional development
- Music concerts are planned for tomorrow; 9 am and 7 pm shows; everyone welcome
- Final session of mini-x happens this Friday; thanks so much to the PAC for their ongoing financial support for our enrichment blocks. Round two commences February 8, 2019 and round three commences May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- Retro assembly Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm; all parents welcome
- The spirit of giving is a focus this month; socks for the homeless, gingerbread cookie sales, food drive

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- Pancake Breakfast and Pyjama Day - Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>; the Central Saanich Lions are booked (Tim Horton's Coffee early that morning is needed); Margaret Forbes, new Executive Director of St. Vincent de Paul Charity will be joining us for our presentation to this charity

**Old Business**

- Purdy's discussion will wait until the January meeting. Spring fundraiser?

*Alina makes a motion for a non-specific fundraising activating in the spring– Brandi seconds, all in favour.*

**New Business**

- Mr. John Westin has come to speak with the PAC
- Last few years there has been discussion around fundraising, and some talk about more fundraising for the playground.
- Mr. Westin would like to suggest raising money for the MAC computer lab. The PC lab is fully supported by the school district, but not the MAC lab.
- Perhaps this would be a place for funding.
- Mr. Westin has been here 12 years and the machines are all 2007-2009 era
- There were 30 functioning machines, but now only 26. A new iMac is \$1,800
- If we can get 5 more computers we should be find for several more years
- \$6,000 to get 5 used computers
- \$30,000 to do the whole lab
- Maybe we need to put a wanted ad online
- Discussion – kids are learning to think differently using MAC's
- We could use gaming money, as this is not part of the curriculum
- This will be a goal – table vote until the next meeting

*Yvonne makes a motion to purchase a gift up to \$40 for Michelle Hansen, the school secretary who had knee surgery– Debbie seconds, all in favour.*

**VCPAC Rep Starr Munro**

- Conversation about inclusion, and failing at implementation of inclusion
- BC Ed Access - talking about special needs being children being sent home due to a lack of EA's etc.
- People who have gifted kids, their needs are not being met
- VI Parent Conference is March 2, 2019 at Belmont High School "Change is here to Stay"

**Calendar ahead**

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2019

**Action Items:**

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Fall 2018	Follow up with Derek Brooker, tab under parent info on website	Joanne	
November 2018	Discuss fundraising next meeting	All	
November 2018	Will locate PAC rules and regulations, possibly from President of Spectrum PAC	Joanne	