GES PAC meeting via Zoom video (link provided to all parents to participate)

May 03, 2022, 7 p.m.

Minutes to be approved at next meeting: June 07, 2022.

Present: Martial Guillaud, Kelsey Dunn, Lynda Brisebois, Emily Doyle, Sandra Squires, Hugo, Brandee Kennedy, Nicole, Roxana

Regrets:

- 1. Welcome 7:00
- 2. Approve Agenda for tonight's meeting: First, Sandra, Second, Emily.
- 3. Brandee Kennedy asked the PAC for a little bit of money to upgrade the garden in front of the classroom where two flag poles are. Brandee has purchased some petunias and has some soil. Sandra brought forward a motion to approve \$200, from gaming grant funds, to support beautification of entrance to school, Emily second, all approved.
- **4.** Approve minutes from April PAC meeting; motion to approve the minutes, First, Sandra, Second, Emily.
- 5. Reports
 - a. Principals Report
 - i. Hot lunch, feedback is that it is awesome. Kids are happy to be getting 2 different options.
 - ii. Tree planting is happening. Has been great having the kids involved. Bill the arborist did a fantastic job teaching the kids and got a donation of deer repellant to keep the deer from eating the saplings.
 - iii. Sports day Friday June 03, 2022. Both primary and intermediate on the same day, would like to acknowledge volunteers on sports day via a volunteer tent.
 - iv. Track and Field starts May 27, 2022. Lots of kids grade 3-7 enjoying Track and Field.
 - v. In June, MDI data will be shared (middle years)

Emily asked, "is there a choir at GES?" Lynda responded that yes there is both an intermediary and primary choir. Emily asked how kids know about it, Lynda responded that it was organized in October and wasn't 100% clear about which grades. Emily asked if it is put out to students and if it was during school time. Lynda responded that students were approached and that it is during school time.

- b. Treasurer Report
 - i. See treasurers report.
- c. Trustee Report:
 - i. See Trustee report- (attached)

- d. DPAC Report
 - i. Active transportation is in the new business that was the main topic for the DPAC meeting
- 6. New Business
 - a. Kelsey: Hot lunch
 - i. Nothing to report

Emily asked about how we are financially supporting those who can't afford hot lunch. Kelsey spoke about support Sue Wilson is providing through the community school. Efforts will need to be made towards the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

- b. Sandra: Active Transportation
 - i. Active transportation month.
 - ii. Met with the school district who has received funding to explore and grow active transportation as it related with the school. Johan to discuss planning and transportation routes for transportation focusing on it for May, June and September
 - iii. Mental health and reduce congestion which will help with safety concerns
 - iv. There is an idea of a on foot "school bus" looking for a staff member to head. Johan will be attending a school staff meeting to discuss further.
- 7. Tree planting project
 - i. Project is complete!
 - ii. Positive feedback from kindergartener teachers
 - iii. Emily asked Lynda if it's okay for a picture to be posted with students. Lynda agreed it is okay if they have consent on file.
- 8. Kinder Bench Project
 - i. Plans were all approved, financing was approved, bench construction is under way!
 - ii. Unveiling event to be early June
- 9. New Business
 - i. How can PAC help with sports day? Hot dogs, popcorn and watermelon.
 - ii. Need 10 volunteers separate meeting to be scheduled Tuesday May 10, 2022, at 10:00pm.
 - iii. Bike to school week, May 30-June 03.
 - iv. Martial sourced for oranges through IGA.
 - v. Staff appreciation lunch Monday May 09, 2022

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday June 07, 2022.