



# Gordon Greenwood Elementary School

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## October 30th, 2023 GGE PAC General Meeting

### 1.0 Adoption of Agenda

### 2.0 Administration Report – Mr. Joo

#### 2.1 Feeding Futures School Food Program

- Guiding Principles
  - Sustainability, Choice, Accessibility and Stigma-free matter, Education Elements
- Supports students across the province who face food insecurities
- Program helps to understand different needs of the district
- Ministry Guidelines
  - Funding can be used to buy food, hire staff to handle/serve food, etc
- Data from school district/programs, how to better prepare meals, partnerships, volunteers (to ensure sustainability), long-term plans (breakfast, lunch, snack programs)
- Feedback from our PAC
  - What would you like to see change in food literacy/education?
    - Sensory issues, cost/affordability - dispel stigma
    - Free fruit/veg program is very helpful for all students to try new foods
    - Community Garden - learning about gardening, more likely to eat/try things they've grown themselves.
  - What would you like to see achieved in food school programs?
    - Needs to be incorporated beyond school hours
    - Backpack Programs - Confidential signup for parents, backpacks available for weekends and holidays
  - What would you like to see change in school food environments?
    - District based school food teacher that can travel through schools
    - More time to eat lunch, flexible around snacking
  - What other ideas do you have to help them access healthy food options?
    - Backpack Program
    - Affordability: Healthy food can, at times, be the most expensive food
    - Fresh food accessibility
    - Education on seasons: different fruit/veggies for different seasons
    - Food that families can eat without parents having to buy more for that to happen (ie Kraft dinner donation - family also needs butter, milk)
    - Food allergies, religious considerations, etc - diversity of our kids

#### 2.2 Breakfast Program

- Starts Monday, November 6th

#### 2.3 Staffing

- 96 classes in the district are without teachers
- There have been little to no applicants for teacher postings. TTOC will be used until permanent teacher is available to start

#### 2.4 Upcoming Assemblies

- Remembrance Day - November 9th

- Magician - November 16th
- Christmas Concert - December 13th
  - Day-time concert, recording will be available
  - PAC will be holding a RAFFLE for Parking and FOUR front row seats!

### 3.0 Executive Member Reports

President – Chelsea Minhas

- Coupon Books
  - 414 coupon books sold!!
  - It was difficult getting unwanted coupon books back from families. Perhaps next year a flyer/index can be sent out instead?
  - We want to acknowledge the highest seller/selling class ie. Ice-cream Party

Vice President – Danielle Chretien

- The Holiday Market is less than a month away!
  - 37 vendors, Greek Food Truck, Coffee Truck, dogs up for adoption
  - Flyers have been made (Big thanks to Eilanne for designing these!)
    - Hard copies available if you wish to advertise at your workplace, etc
    - For hardcopies email: [ggepac@hotmail.com](mailto:ggepac@hotmail.com)
- NEW BULLETIN BOARD!
  - Check it out in the lobby for upcoming meetings, volunteer opportunities, etc
- Reindeer Lane
  - December 15th
  - Collecting will start 2 weeks before, so save anything you wish to donate

Treasurer – Justine Trenholm

- Gaming Fund: \$7120
  - Roughly \$19/student
- Munch-a-Lunch Fees
  - 2.9%, \$0.30 per transaction, \$0.20 per deposit
  - We need to make sure these fees are covered when purchasing lunches, so that PAC is not having to cover the cost
- Purdy's Fundraiser
  - Opens November 6th
  - Orders due November 18th
  - Will be delivered November 23rd (window of November 29th)
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Secretary – Rhea Fedorchuk

Hot Lunch Coordinator - Margaret Holden

- December 6th - WHITE SPOT
- December 13th - KERNELS
- January 12th - BOSTON PIZZA
- January 26th - BOOSTER JUICE
- Firefighter Snacks
  - Snacks brought to the school monthly
  - Goldfish, applesauce, granola bars, peach cups, etc

DPAC – Vacant

### 4.0 New Business

#### 4.1 Fundraising

- Cupcakes on December 18th - chocolate and vanilla available
- Earthquake Kits - Potential Fundraiser
- Chipotle Fundraiser - December and also sometime in the Spring

4.2 Christmas Decorations going up on November 20th

- Please email [ggepac@hotmail.com](mailto:ggepac@hotmail.com) if you are available to help set up decorations

4.2 Next meeting: November 27th, 2023