

# 2024/25 BGMS PAC Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025

Attendance:	
Jodi Stiglic	Nicole Chadwick
Tiffay Harrison	Amy Sinesael
Valerie Friess	Laura Wheway
Adeana Zappone	April Levine
Allie Brush	Claire Burns
	Mindy Guthrie

Call to Order: 6:35 pm

Land acknowledgement by president Jodi

-Attendance taken via sign-in sheet, collected by secretary, April, Quorum achieved

-Agenda: approval by the group

- Minutes: Amy motions approval and Laura seconds.

Admin Report: second land acknowledgement for Black Excellence Day, which also happens to be Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

January is a big month of learning

Grade 6 and 7 basketball teams are running,

on the first Thursday back there was a big acknowledgement of kindness. Kindness in Action awareness in the school

Creative Writing club has launched.

School-wide read-aloud has launched: Grade 6 (He Who dreams), Gr 7 (The barren Grounds), Grade 8 (Mascot). Learning and transformative thinking is happening. The rest of the district these 3 grades are all reading "The Barren Grounds" but BGMS found that a more grade-specific approach was a better way for our group.

On the Horizon: White Hatter, Screenagers 45 minute video and 4 part lesson plan, then a parent session), Dance, Grade 8 high school information (Tues Jan 28 at school for students, Mon Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 5pm for parents at ACSS).

Ice Skating program is ongoing for all grades. Thank you to the parents who have been helping with skate tying.

President's report: no report, hoping for a quieter next 3 months

Vice president- no report

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Treasurer report: Chequing account balance as of end of December \$19,597.86, still waiting on a cheque to be deposited for approx. \$1200 for Saputo. No action from gaming in December \$11,68.88, one \$40 cheque waiting to clear. Outdoor Improvement planning budget item, in progress about the climbing web but Ms. Burns has noticed that students congregate at the corner of the property and possibly to look into installing some benches there. Ms. Burns also has noted that the electrical scoreboard was not functional for some games in December. Mr. Burkheim would be aware of any need for team jersey needs.

Emergency supplies has a \$500 budget for the year and we have no plan as of right now. Two emergency backpacks may need updating, there are 2 in the PAC room. Mindy has been looking into eye wash stations.

Ms. Muir is asking for more money for field trip toward the end of the year. She is hoping to get approx. \$1100 for bus costs. Even partial would be helpful if we can arrange it in the budget.

Hot Lunch Coordinator report: next hot lunch is next week and is A&W. There are 4 more in the year, not in March and popcorn also ongoing. Looking into new options, KFC and Mary Brown's are being looked at as options but also ensuring that the meal portion is appropriate for middle school students. Query about India's Most Wanted or India Bistro.

DPAC report: President of DPAC has stepped down and the VP 1 is stepping up. The next 2 meetings (January and February) are virtual and accessible

Scholarship Coordinators: Everything emailed to the high schools January 5<sup>th</sup>. Not heard back yet.

Bylaw meeting January 31<sup>st</sup>, to do review and

Fundraising Report: Purdy's to be done prior to Easter, Neufeld's also to be redone but after Spring Break.

Dance committee: Met last night, Volunteer call out has gone out and nearly 20 have signed up to be in the dance, concession has quite a few but still needing people assigned to parking. Photo booth photographers have been secured. Candy bags are going to be made next week. 400 are planned to be made.

Pancake Breakfast Review- It was early, there was no spilled coffee. We pull from the volunteer pools as the elementary schools, so this makes it challenging to have hands of helpers. Negotiating that perhaps next year we coordinate so that teaching is not distracted but that seasonal spirit is encouraged. Ms. Burns looked ahead and proposed to do December 12<sup>th</sup>. Suggestion that BGMS purchase a griddle of their own. Discussion about types and ensuring that heating is even. No complaints about not having sausages. Last year \$250 spent plus a little bit, this Year \$450, we received \$250 in donations (one donor was \$150). This year we purchased oranges, cutlery and some food items that did not get donated. Suggestion to put the call out for food donations as early as possible for best success. Thanks was expressed by Jodi for all our volunteers for their time during this event.

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No New Business

House Wars Friday June 13, backup June 16<sup>th</sup>, dates had to be adjusted due to the high school walk through moving to the Wednesday.

Meeting adjourned: 7:50 pm

Next meeting: February 12 at 630 PM