

# GCMS Council

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 19/21

6:30pm

In Attendance: Anil Padayas, Aileen Peterson, Darlene Clarke, Kaeli Weir, Candy Haydaman, Jodi Fobes, Danielle Holland, Jenn Gilbertson

1. Call to order at 6:33pm, Welcome and Introductions and Treaty

Acknowledgement

2. Review and Approval of Agenda:

Motion: *Candy*

Second: *Jenn*

3. Review and Approval of Minutes from December 15/20 meeting:

Motion: *Candy*

Second: *Kaeli*

4. Administration Report: Anil summarized his report. COVID regulations continue.

Awards recognition update will be after staff meeting on Mar 5/21.

Extracurricular activities remain on hold at this time. Snowed In wagon rides were a success! The wagon ride providers preferred the use of the field for the rides as opposed to the road. Volunteers always welcome and needed with pre-scheduling and COVID screening- ie. Library tasks. PSD looking to offer K&E program for students with learning difficulties to explore career and knowledge development starting in Grade 8 or 9 in collaboration with Woodhaven and SPC, moving to the existing high school programs. Student achievement pillars/ surveys coming to assist with the education plan for Greystone. Volleyball court drainage update- Scott McFayden working with the city to get such projects supported. Report attached.

5. Trustee Report: Darlene reported about a submission deadline for first year teachers for the Edwin Parr Award by February 19/21. PSD to conduct an attendance review to assist with evaluating enrollment in schools for future years. Financial report summarized- currently a surplus of \$3.6 million. The Alternative Education Programs Assurance Report and Wellness Assurance Report were shared with the board. Report attached.
6. Executive Report: Kaeli discussed meeting with Anil about the education pillar surveys. Letter for Millgrove parents of students coming in to Grade 5 in May. Council will provide information for that. Parent volunteers needed for school and next year's council. Perhaps an open house forum/webinar/Inferno night to promote parent involvement/activities in the school. Perhaps a draw as incentive to join. Will follow up next meeting.
7. Old Business:
  - a. A/V Equipment- quote didn't come in before the cut off for one of the grants by January 15. Next submission due in May. PSD to provide information for the grant. Letter from City of SG to support Sharon Marshall's grant application.
  - b. Playground repairs update- Aileen updated that she sent a follow up email to the playground repair company. Rope repair will be under warranty. \$1400 for other repairs not covered under warranty. Some will need to wait to be completed once the weather is warmer.
8. New Business: no new business

9. Partners:

(a) COSC: next meeting Thursday, February 18/21

(b) PSD Engagement: rescheduled December meeting set for Wednesday, February 10/21. Awaiting invitations for those chosen to attend from those who participated in the Engagement Survey. 8 people submitted and 4 will be accepted.

10. Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 16/21

Adjournment at 7:02pm



130 Greystone Drive  
Spruce Grove, AB T7X 4P5  
Phone (780) 962-0357 Fax (780) 962-0923  
E-Mail: [greystone@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:greystone@psd70.ab.ca)  
Website: [www.psd70.ab.ca/schools/greystone](http://www.psd70.ab.ca/schools/greystone)

---

**Greystone School Council and FOGS  
Principal's Report  
January 19, 2021.**

- Visitor Access to school
  - Any public members who visit the school for more than 10 minutes MUST sign a Covid Waiver form.
  - Masks MUST be worn when entering the school
- Staggered recess/lunch breaks
  - We will continue to stagger the recess breaks with Grades 5,7 and 9 (first outside for recess) then followed by Grades 6 and 8
  - We also have each grade in it's own "zone" outside
  - We will continue to keep students in cohort groups inside and outside.
- Awards/Recognition
  - Suggestion from School Council regarding Awards/Recognition will be brought to staff at the next staff/professional development meeting on March 5, 2021.
- Extracurricular Activities
  - Greystone School has chosen to cancel all extracurricular/co-curricular activities at this time due to Covid Restrictions and Protocols. With a significant increase of positive Covid cases, we could not ensure students/staff a safe and healthy environment while participating in activities. Notification to resume activities is dependent upon PSD protocols.
- Snowed In Celebration -- Wagon ride was a huge success for the Grade 5 and 6 students
- Parent Volunteers
- Possible Knowledge and Employability (8/9) program at Greystone School.



130 Greystone Drive  
Spruce Grove, AB T7X 4P5  
Phone (780) 962-0357 Fax (780) 962-0923  
E-Mail: [greystone@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:greystone@psd70.ab.ca)  
Website: [www.psd70.ab.ca/schools/greystone](http://www.psd70.ab.ca/schools/greystone)

---

**GREYSTONE CENTENNIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION PLAN 2020/2021**

Area in Focus	<b>Student Achievement</b>
---------------	----------------------------

Supplementary Areas of Interest	<b>Care, Respect and Safety</b>	<b>Appreciating and Respecting Diversity</b>
---------------------------------	---------------------------------	----------------------------------------------

Survey to all parents coming shortly in the next couple of months.

## School Council Trustee Report – Jan. 2021

### D. Clarke

- The Board directed administration to establish a submission deadline for schools to nominate a first-year teacher for the Alberta School Boards Association's Edwin Parr Award as February 19, 2021. Furthermore, Trustees Lorraine Stewart, Eric Cameron and Anne Montgomery put their names forward to sit on the committee to select PSD's nominee for the award. The criteria for the award includes:
  - Any first year K-12 teacher is eligible for nomination.
  - A minimum of 100 full-time equivalent days of teaching within the current school year is required (i.e. September 2019 to June 2020).
  - May have up to 120 days of teaching services prior to signing a full-time contract
- The Board directed administration to conduct an attendance area review of all schools in Parkland School Division in order to facilitate long-term planning and the effective use of our school facilities. This report will be provided to the Board of Trustees during a Regular Board Meeting in the fall of 2021. This will evaluate enrolment distribution at all schools especially in the City of Spruce Grove and the Town of Stony Plain with the modernization of Woodhaven Middle School as well as the future Stony Plain Central replacement school likely to begin construction in the Spring of 2021. Currently, PSD's schools are at 75% utilization overall. There are schools with low utilization in the 40-55% range, while other schools are experiencing high utilization above 90%.
- The Board received as information the [Quarterly Financial Report](#) for the period ending November 30, 2020. As of November 30th, revenues year-to-date were \$34.3 million and expenditures year-to-date were \$30.7 million resulting in a surplus of \$3.6 million. A balanced budget is forecast for the year ended August 31, 2021.
- The Board received as information the [Alternative Education Programs Assurance Report](#). The Choice in Education Act, which took effect September 1, 2020, affirms that parents have the right to choose the kind of education they feel will be best for their children. Parkland School Division has a strong history of offering a variety of choices for educational programs, and continues to do so with the recent implementation of a variety of new programs.
- The Board received as information the [Wellness Assurance Report](#). The Parkland School Division's Wellness Initiative is focused on working collectively with staff, caregivers and community to provide programming support and services aimed at fostering wellness in children, youth and families.