

Graminia School Council
6:30 pm Tuesday, April 12, 2022, in Google, meets

Attendees: Angie G (Chair), Amber D (Vice-Chair), Kelly Heiser (Secretary), Treena Neuman (Principal), Erin Chessor (Acting Vice-Principal), Ameer Hennig (Trustee), Serge LaBrie (Director of Facilities PSD), Sheila Avison, Paige Schriener, Andria West, Danine Regenwetter, Angayla Waterman, Katrina Jackson, Jill Osborne (Trustee), Megan Foster, Amy, and Darren Hudson

1. Meeting Called to Order and Introductions

- 1.1. Angie G Called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm and gave a brief explanation of what the Council is and a reminder that some information goes out in advance.

2. Approval of Agenda

- 2.1. Sheila A made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Melanie T seconded. Carried.

3. Review of March Minutes

- 3.1. Sheila A made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Amber D seconded. Carried.

4. Director of Facilities Serge LaBrie

- 4.1. 2 million dollars invested in Graminia school over the last 4 years
- 4.1.1. 2020 landscaping
 - 4.1.2. Noxious weed removal
 - 4.1.3. Running track
 - 4.1.4. 2020/2021 Indoor renovation of all teaching spaces
 - 4.1.5. Playground
 - 4.1.5.1. Installed approximately 2005 (25-year life span), will be due for replacement in 2030
 - 4.1.5.2. Certain parts have been replaced as needed but structure has remained fine
 - 4.1.6. Questions
 - 4.1.6.1. Will the entire playground have to be replaced in 2030? Age of playground means the inspector's best guess so it does not mean everything has to be removed/replaced in exactly 2030. Just means the structures will be nearing the end of their lifecycle. Once things don't pass the inspection they would have to be replaced.
 - 4.1.6.2. Are acoustics considered in renovation and new builds? Alberta infrastructure would advise on something like acoustics, we have moved to better ceiling tiles and are always open to input.
 - 4.1.6.3. Funding for playgrounds- Operations and Facilities does not have any funding in their budget to purchase, replace or repair playground structures. Minor repairs can occasionally be covered.
 - 4.1.6.4. What were the weeds? Common Tansy weed.
 - 4.1.6.5. How often is the playground inspected? Monthly and then more intensely at year-end. Serge will share the yearly report with Tereena at the end of the year to help facilitate Council/Foundation planning.
 - 4.1.6.5.1. For grants or planning, we would need to go straight to the companies for pricing/cost for replacement or repair.

5. Trustee Report- Jill Osborne

- 5.1.

6. COSC-Angie Gehlert

- 6.1. Presentation from PSD on media and messaging
- 6.2. Boundaries
- 6.3. ASCA-funding cuts-they are fundraising. ATA will match any donation
- 6.4. No budget information yet
- 6.5. The funding manual was being reviewed by the division
- 6.6. Surveys are completed and data is being compiled
- 6.7. All school councils were given \$500 by the government towards supporting council development that has to be used by June. If all councils pooled this money we would have a pool of \$11000.00 to use as a group.

7. **ASCA Resolutions**

- 7.1. The weighting of diploma exams set at 10% in perpetuity-PASS
- 7.2. Funding formula-PASS
- 7.3. Restoration of funding for ASCA-PASS
- 7.4. Bus stop signage-PASS

8. **Principals Report-Treena Neuman**

- 8.1. Graminia School Development Plan - 2022/23
 - 8.1.1. Continued focus on Literacy and Numeracy
 - 8.1.2. Added focus on Community Connections and School Culture
 - 8.1.3. Curriculum Update - Currently the Curriculum is still in draft form and has not been finalized
 - 8.1.3.1. K-3 Math and Language Arts
 - 8.1.3.2. K-6 Health and PE
- 8.2. Creating some connections -
 - 8.2.1. Buddy classes to begin with Earth Day (Mrs. Wolff)
 - 8.2.2. Hawks Helpers (Mrs. Chessor)
 - 8.2.3. Badminton
 - 8.2.4. Soccer
 - 8.2.5. Recess Bins
- 8.3. School Funding - Treena
 - 8.3.1. Specialized funding
 - 8.3.2. Overall School Budget
- 8.4. Registration Completion
 - 8.4.1. Please complete your child(rens) registration online asap. Secretaries will be calling to support and remind. These numbers are needed for planning and budgeting for next year
- 8.5. Update on Purchases
- 8.6. C-Pens
- 8.7. F&P reading kits
- 8.8. Recess bins
- 8.9. Yoga
- 8.10. Kindergarten
 - 8.10.1. Secretaries will be calling this week and next to our kindergarten registered families for 2022/23
 - 8.10.2. Test Run - This allows students and parents to visit the class and gives students a chance to "try" kindergarten. A one-hour time slot where students "go to class" and caregivers come for a small tour.
 - 8.10.3. During the day - sign-up would be shared through the emails provided at registration. This would happen towards the end of May, the beginning of June, and would be on a Tuesday or Thursday
- 8.11. Spring League - begins in May
 - 8.11.1. Mr. Danielson is coordinating
- 8.12. Parent Volunteering - following the [Administrative Procedure](#)
Teachers will be looking to support cross-graded supports. We will work slowly to build opportunities for volunteering. There are forms for confidentiality and criminal records check to be completed
- 8.13. NEW ** School Facebook Page - weekly info and upcoming events, parents can join and share and get notifications
Emergent emails are specific to the group being informed regarding the information being shared.
Monthly Newsletters with a Principal's message and pictures and info about the upcoming events and classroom experiences.

9. **Adjournment**

9.1. Melanie T adjourned the meeting at 8:27 pm. Shiela A Seconded

Next council meeting date: May 10

If you have questions or thoughts that you think School Council should look at please speak to

Megan Foster, Angie Gehlert, or Treena Nueman