

Greendale Parent Advisory Council Agenda

September 25, 2025, 7pm
Greendale Elementary School

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

- a. We are privileged to meet on the traditional unceded territory of the Stó:lō people, in particular the Pilalt, Sema:th and Ts'elxwéyeqw
- b. Adoption of the Agenda
 - i. That the agenda be adopted as circulated
Becky and Trish
- c. Approval of previous minutes
 - i. That the minutes of the last meeting be approved as circulated
Becky and Trish

2. Reports

- a. Chair – Tai
 - i. Introductions of those in PAC positions
 - ii. Goal of PAC
 - to be a bridge/liason between the school, staff, and parents
 - fundraising
 - field trips
 - gaming grants
 - hot lunch
 - iii. What PAC meetings are set to accomplish?
 - inform parents about the things that go on in the school and plan activities, events, fundraisers, etc, for the year
 - iv. Why attend
 - to have your voices and opinions heard
 - we welcome new parents with fresh, new ideas and perspectives

Update on the first day/weeks of the school year:

- we had a table with timbits, coffee and tea, and the volunteer sign up sheet on the first day (75 Timbits was too many, 50 would be good for next year)
- volunteer list is filled out quite well
- Trish will put an updated list on Facebook to fill in any gaps
- Kindergarten – how was the sandwich board/easel for start-up? It was well received!

- b. Treasurer – Jaylene
 - we need to fundraise this year, so we are brainstorming! We have ideas, but welcome to hear new ones too!
- c. Parent Education – Trish
 - lots of new members – so hopefully that's an indicator that Kindergarten parents found us!
 - Do we need another method of communication to parents other than Facebook (not all of our parents have a Facebook account nowadays)? Brad to talk to Trish about some possibilities
- d. Emergency Preparedness – Jacqueline
 - Tomorrow Jacqueline will get new class lists and update the go-bags in each classroom

-Update: water is good until August 2026, food is expired, so Jacqueline will follow guidelines and bring an idea of the cost to replace these foods to the October meeting

e. Hot Lunch – Stacia

- Tomorrow is Subway
- Munchalunch is open until November
- October is Fresh Slice
- November is hot dogs

f. DPAC – Meagan

- Meagan registered as DPAC rep
- DPAC has a new website
- Their first meeting is tonight at 7pm, so I will read the minutes when they come out and update if necessary or at next meeting
- Family Smart has posted their fall events :
 - September: Emotion Regulation
 - October: OCD – it's more than overwashing your hands & ADHD – The Real Deal
 - November: Substance Use and Power of Support

g. Community School (GESCC)

- Current programming: Free play and crafts, community: karate and CORE class
- coming up in October: dance (gr 3-5) stations (K-2), art
- home alone and babysitting courses (age 10+ on Saturdays)

h. Principal – Brad Driscoll

- we are sitting at 163 students enrolled
- 3 staff are currently on leave (Durflinger is expected to return mid-October, Deagle end of October, Arsenault beginning of December)
- kids are settling in nicely
- the school district did a big refresh of their strategic plan: They took information from last year, getting input from schools, staff, parents, students, etc
- in the center is the student, surrounded by other priorities (transitions, well-being, numeracy, literacy), then how students are supported, then district values, then indigenous medicine wheel (seasons, cycles, etc)
- now we need to align our school goals to the strategic plan
- looking at the 4 priority categories: how aligned are we with the strategic plan? Where is our learning and our growth? How can we make changes/improvements?
- this will be the topic of October staff meetings (Brad will update us later this year)
- Code of Conduct: We will have a focus committee to go through and revise it – email Brad if you would like to be a part of this!
- monthly virtues still being done (Grandfather teachings)
- House teams will be back – Eagle 10s and 25s are already being handed out – winning house team gets a trophy at the monthly assemblies (building school community)
- Whole School Events – afternoon games, Cops for Cancer
- Cross country is on right now (grades 3-5): led by Mrs Ferguson, Mrs B and Ms McKinley
- Soccer starting in October (grade 4-5): led by Mr Hoeppner

3. **Current Fundraising**

a. Coupon Book

- we get 80 chilliwack and 20 abbotsford, but this year we had to order more books!

-94 chwk and 24 abby books were sold this year!

-\$885 profit

b. Popcorn

-\$104

-not the best, but seemed like many weren't aware (it was in the Newsletter two weeks ago, but forgot to add it to this last week's)

4. Upcoming Fundraising

a. Hazelnuts

-looking at pick up early December

b. Scoops

-Tai will inquire about the possibility of November pick up date

5. Business arising from last meeting

6. New Business

a. Fundraising will be needed this year

-New idea: Jody has a connection for a school merch fundraiser through Mark's (Brad and her to chat more and update us)

b. Budget

- grade 4s and 5s peer leaders appreciation

-proposal: gr 5s \$30 per kid and gr 4s \$10 per kid

-do we need to support families with hot lunch fees if they are unable to afford it

Adjournment

Next meeting:

Monday, October 20 8:30am

Attendance

Meagan

Trish

Tai

Jaylene

Karli

Becky

Stacey

Jody

Justine

Teresa

Lindsay