

George R Gauld JPS Parent Council Meeting

November 8, 2023, at 6:30 pm
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1. Welcome and Introductions: Stacy Kachru, Chair
 - a. GRG Parent Council is open to all GRG families.
 - b. The goal for this year's Parent Council is to keep our GRG Community engaged, supported, and informed.
 - c. Confirmation of voting members in attendance
 - d. Vote on minutes from last meeting

2. Principal's Report - Marian Wall-Ryel, Principal
 - a. Students
 - i. Since last meeting, still at 254 students
 - b. Staff
 - i. Ms. Tania is hired permanently for lunchroom
 - c. Facilities
 - i. Portable 4 finally approved for use, will now be used for French & ESL with Mr. Martel
 - d. Safe Schools
 - i. Focus on Preventive Action – focus of belonging, getting to know students individually, getting to know what they need to be safe and social, anti-bullying, etc.
 - ii. YARFY (You, Are, Responsible, For, Yourself) Awards taking place at Character Assembly
 - e. Teaching & Learning
 - i. Ms. Witty volunteered to an all-day workshop to do New Language Curriculum learning
 - ii. Progress Reports
 1. Going home by email, Wednesday
 - iii. Interviews Thursday evening & Friday morning
 - f. Extra Curricular Activities
 - i. Volleyball and Basketball going on now
 - ii. Musical Theatre Club – permit has been requested for Tuesday, December 19th
 - iii. GRG Winter Concert will be in February
 - iv. Food Drive – option to give nonperishable food and link to donate
 - v. Albion Hills – Grade 4/5, on a wait list as they chose to prioritize Grade 6 groups, already looking at plan B's
 - vi. Dec 7 – all 3 kindergarten classes are going to Distillery District to see Robert Munch play
 - vii. May 25 – 100th Celebration event
 - g. Other Items
 - i. Staff Wish Lists (requested in last meeting for fundraising efforts)
 1. Polled teachers, 3 things that came up

- a. Storage Solution (shed/storage container)
 - b. More iPads (\$400 each/the school purchases in batches of 10)
 - c. Raised Garden Beds
2. Requested teachers to vote on what is most important to them
3. Parent Council Executive Committee
 - a. Chair & Social – Stacy
 - b. Co-Chair & Fundraising – Allison
 - c. Secretary – Nicole
 - d. Treasurer – Patti
4. Treasurer Update
 - a. Current Source of Funds = \$2,992.61
5. Spirit wear (Patti)
 - a. Will order on School Cash Online
 - b. Watch for more details on how and when to order in the coming weeks
 - c. Possibility to launch again in the spring for Pink shirt day
6. Next council meeting – January 17th evening via Zoom/Teams