

Royal School Parent Connection
Actively Supporting Our School Community

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Minutes
ROYAL SCHOOL PARENT CONNECTION MEETING
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 6:30 – 7:30pm by Teams

In attendance: Tanis T, Sara G, Monica G, Julia O, Joe T, Danae T, Natasha G

Apr 2023

1. Review / approve minutes from last meeting - Approved
2. For Our Information - Amended Regulation for Consideration by PTSD
3. Update: Proposed dance to be planned for Fall 2023

Natasha: Would like to have both a Fall and Spring dance. There is too much to do one this year so would like to start with a Fall dance next school year. Would like to start a small committee for social events and not necessarily focus on fund raising but on the social aspect and make it open for all families – Sell Pizza and other snacks to cover costs of the dance but not necessary for everyone to purchase if they don't want to – No admission charges.

4. Smile Report - one positive thing about Royal School this month

Recess Buddies. Such a great idea!

International Pink Shirt – son was nervous to wear a pink shirt and Mr. Cumberbach was wearing a pink shirt on the playground. Special Thank you to Mr Cumberbach for making her son feel more comfortable wearing pink.

Medical emergency over spring break and teacher was very helpful and responsive.

Got through 8 out of 10 fire drills for the year today.

Shoutout to the Patrols and Mrs. Muys and Mrs. Nikonchuk. They do an awesome job of making sure our kids cross the street safely!

5. Treasurer's Report - Joe T

Subway fun lunch had decent turnout and April Fun lunch funds are coming in. Balances are healthy

6. Discussion topic of the month:

1. Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week (May 1-5)

- PTSD has provided a lunch for staff on the Friday in past years
- Royal School families contribute goodies each day based on grade
- Kids can be encouraged to make special gifts/cards for their teachers/staff if buying a gift is not an option for families

Everyone was good with the plan from last year.

7. Fun Lunch for April 28 - Danae T

-Boston Pizza forms due April 21st

If anyone can help that day it would be appreciated and hopefully can have some kid helpers too. Monica won't be able to assist this time.

8. Glenlea Fundraiser - Monica

Extended to April 19.

So far it looks like we should receive around \$400. (\$2100 in sales and we receive 20% and 15% for gift cards)

9. School Report - Tanis T

• Is Mr. Bridge planning a Tabloid Day for June? Funding request for help out as in 2022?
Yes there will be a tabloid day. Tanis will have more information in May.

1. Indigenous Elder Connection – Pat Bruderer has had to postpone our connection with her. We look forward to connecting with her for stories and learning the craft of birch bark biting in September.

2. Staffing – staffing season has begun in Pembina Trails. Here is what, based on current enrolment projections, the anticipated DRAFTY 2023-24 classroom allocations will be:

- a. Kindergarten a.m.
- b. Grade 1
- c. Grade 1/2
- d. Grade 2
- e. Grade 3
- f. Grade 3/4
- g. Grade 4
- h. Grade 4/5
- i. Grade 5
- j. PE, Music, French, and Teacher Librarian specialists
- k. Two full time School Support Staff
- l. 1.5 secretaries
- m. Library technician
- n. Custodial staff

Because resignation and retirement deadlines are April 30 and May 31 (depending on when teachers have signed contracts), there may be changes in staff in the future. To date, we anticipate two staff leaving Royal School for 2023-24:

Tania Hanslip will be joining the staff of Pembina Trails Collegiate; and
Haley Coupland will be on leave next year.

This alone will see two teacher position postings coming out for Royal School in April already, one term position (for the leave of absence) and one permanent position (since Tania is leaving us).

We know we will have at least one other posting, which may come out later – after all resignation and retirement deadlines have past.

Last meeting of the year: **Tuesday, May 16, 2023**