Minutes – October 20, 2020
7:00 p.m. Virtual
\* indicates written report/attachment provided

1. Call to order – James Time:
2. Attendance

Parents: Greg Williamson, Alicia Brown, Tanya Olafson, Mark Brown, Jonas Neidert, James Wright, Ayumi Takei, Rachel Geistliner, Aylsia Dyjur, Gerri Burge, Julia Ibanez, Jennifer Anderson, Katrina Dunn,

Staff: Jason Moline, Aaron Langstraat

Others: Nicole Buchanan - Trustee Liaison

1. Review of the Agenda - James
	1. Addition of ASCA Committee for Survey Purpose

**Motion**: Moved my James, Seconded by Rachel. Passed unanimously.

1. Approval of the [Annual General Meeting Minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1cQXbhg0XldizIziPzRok1znxYE3dQOBE5XUYuaOav2U/edit?usp=sharing)\*, as presented (OR as amended)
	1. September 15, 2020

**Motion**: Moved my James, Seconded by Tanya.

**Action**: Passed unanimously.

1. Financial Report\*: Treasurer - Jonas
	1. Financial Transactions / Status to date
		1. [Financial Report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1w2U6vVwACbtuPm8NrT4HB39ZlU7LK-IH/view?usp=sharing)\*
		2. Total in the account right now is $6’785.18
	2. Financial Allocations Outstanding

**Motion**: Accept report as presented, Moved by Jonas, Seconded by James.

**Action**: Passed Unanimously.

1. Committee Reports
	1. Hot Lunch Committee – Chair: Ayumi
		1. Made $108 on Subway lunch.
		2. Chelsea and Ayumi are planning the rest together.
		3. School can only have a few people as volunteers.
	2. Committees / Volunteers – James
		1. Fundraising Committee
			1. Volunteers needed.
				1. Tanya, Jenn,
		2. City Wide School Council Representative (only one person per school per meeting this year)
			1. James has been attending. If anyone else is interested, feel free to let James know.
		3. Policy Committee
			1. James and Aaron to continue, seeking more volunteers.
		4. Basketball Hoops Committee
			1. Canadian Rec ~$7,500
			2. BDI (did the other 2 for us last time) ~$6,500
			3. Committee Members:James, Julia, and Mark.

**Action**: Tabled until next meeting.

* + 1. Any other suggestions?
			1. Currently difficult to plan events due to restrictions.
			2. Open to new ideas as we progress.
		2. ASCA Survey Committee
			1. James gave an overview about the Alberta School Council Association.
			2. Individual surveys are available for people to respond as a parent.
			3. Committee to get together and submit on behalf of our School Council
				1. James, Alysia, Jonas,

* 1. City-Wide School Council – James
		1. Elections
			1. Last meeting was held at Escuela Vista Grande.
			2. Executive Elected: former G.W.Smith Exec. was elected to the Council - Shelley Odishaw
		2. COVID 19 Update
			1. Numbers are quite low comparatively in schools.
			2. Transmissions have been spread at non-school events.
			3. Everyone must follow provincial guidelines.
		3. Trustee elections next year
			1. There are at least two positions open for next year.
			2. People considering running for a trustee position are encouraged to attend Board Meetings to get a feel for the job.
			3. Money allocated to Staffing and PPE from the extra.
1. Business Arising from the Minutes
	1. No business.
2. New Business
3. Principal’s Report – Principal: Jason Moline
4. 2019-2020 Results Report\*
	1. [(DRAFT) 19-20 GW Smith School Results Report.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1XqSFeTer-nfv1wzyfeIIQ0A1z-OQ2jtS/view?usp=sharing)
	2. The Accountability Report is overwhelmingly positive.
		1. Most areas are Blue and Green.
		2. Area of growth is Parental Involvement.
	3. Organized according to District Goals
		1. Literacy and Numeracy
		2. Equity
		3. Student Success and Completion
		4. Success for First Nations, Metis and Inuit students
	4. Will be posted online when completed.
5. Report presented.
	1. Thank you to our G.W.Smith School Community for their continued support.
	2. A new provincial update is coming tomorrow, unsure of what is coming.
	3. Virtual Parent-Teacher Interviews Survey
		1. Of 70 responses, the vast majority of responses were positive.
		2. Will likely continue into December.
	4. New recommendations
		1. Hand washing promoted over Hand Sanitizing.
		2. Paper Quarantining reduced to 24 hours from 72 hours.
	5. Professional Development Days
		1. Numeracy and Literacy Planning
	6. New Teacher Hire:
		1. With support of federal money we were able to hire a ½ time Gr.5 teacher and split our larger Gr.1 class into 2 separate full time classes.
	7. Milk and Hot Lunch
		1. With the lightning of protocols we are able to start up these two programs again.
	8. Labelling Students Clothes/Stuff
		1. We are unable to set-up a lost and found like we have in the past. If clothes have been labelled it is much easier to return to the proper student.
	9. G.W.Smith Weather Station
		1. Please check the Weather Station for the most up to date weather. Link is on our website.
		2. We want to get students outside as much as possible.
	10. Near Miss during dismissal
		1. Please use sidewalks and marked crossings to cross the roads.
	11. COVID Update
		1. When there is a positive case in a class the whole class has been sent home to isolate for 14 days, including staff who have been in the class longer than 15 minutes.
		2. New provincial update is coming out tomorrow.
	12. Questions
		1. James’s Hypothetical Situation:
	13. Trustee Liaison Clarification from Nicole
		1. COVID numbers: RDPSD has had 11 cases in 7 different schools
			1. RDPSD has taken the stance of reaching out to contacts when they find out to help speed up the isolation process as soon as they know. Has resulted in preventing spread ahead of timelines of
		2. Reduction in Student enrolment of 400+ students across RDPSD. International Student Enrolment down significantly. Several learners have moved to a Homeschooling format outside of RDPSD.
		3. 2020/21 School Trustee Election will happen during Municipal Election
			1. Seeking to move RDPSD to a ward system.

**Motion**: To accept the report as presented by the Principal. Moved by James, Seconded by Julia.

**Action**: Passed unanimously.

1. Next Meeting(s) - James
	1. November 24, 2020, 7:00 P.M. virtually
		1. Feel free to contact James via email or by chat.
2. Adjourn - James Time: 7:58 P.M.

**Motion**: This school council meeting be adjourned. Moved: James, Seconded: Alysia B.

**Action**: Passed unanimously.