



**GLEN CAIRN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. Principal's Report
4. Election of the 2019/2020 Council Members
  - Chair
  - Vice-Chair
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
  - Parent Reps
  - OCASC Rep
5. New Business?
6. Tour de Table
7. Adjourn

## Minutes

**Present:**

Angela Chaplin – Principal	Kerry Humphrys – Member at Large
Julie Corrigan – Vice-Principal	Jen Ouellet – Member at Large
Denise Nap – Chair	Amy Hislop – Member at Large
Ryan Jaques - Treasurer	Robyn Gordon – Member at Large
Jean-Ann Reed-Flieler – Co-secretary	Othman Alhusain – Member at Large
Stephanie Siddall – Co-Secretary	
Tracy Ouellet – Teacher Representative	Amy Jaques

- GCPS School Council member new members were elected. They are as follows:  
Chairperson – Denise Nap  
Treasurer – Ryan Jaques  
Co-secretaries – Jean-Ann Reed-Flieler and Stephanie Siddall
- As there were new members attending tonight, a round of introductions were done.

**Principal's Report:** Angela Chaplin

- Tuesday, October 15, IEPs will be going home.
- GCPS applied in May for 2<sup>nd</sup> year CYC students to come to the school. 5 CYC (Child and Youth Care) students will be joining the homerooms to follow and get to know the GCPS students. They will also run recess programs for the GCPS students.
- Budget will be coming out in December. GCPS has a small carry forward. The school is up 45-50 students from last year so budget may be increased.
- This year's school learning plan will focus on Math. The teachers will look at data from the feeder schools for math goals. EQAO data will be looked at for specifics. There will be a team evaluation after.
- High school presentations have started for Grade 8 students. Canterbury High School has already visited. Grade 8 students will be going to AY Jackson on November 6. There is also an IB presentation that all are welcome to attend. More information (including dates, locations) can be found on the school's website under 'Parent Resources'
- Royal Ottawa Hospital has brought a mental health program to the school for kids at risk. Grade 8 interviews are done. Grade 7's are coming. Students are offered an opportunity to speak with someone if they feel they need to.
- Safety and Security: 2 fire drills completed, lock down practice coming. The school has a new SRO, Lana Cameron. She will be present at the lock down practice. The school has had several secure school times.
- Staffing at the school is currently okay.
- Staff have started a book club. They are currently reading 'The Third Path'. The first chapter was read this afternoon at their staff meeting.
- PD day on Friday. Focus to be on Math and Commitment to Kids.

- All staff will be receiving training on identifying sexual abuse in children.
- EQAO data is complete. The school has received the information and it should be mailed out to parents sometime around the end of October.
- Discussion re: Safety in School.
  - > Shelter in Place – Students are not allowed outside the school
  - > Secure School – Hallways cleared, students need to stay in classrooms, no rotating classes
  - > Lockdown – Active safety threat. Students remain in classrooms in designated safe area with windows covered.
- Lunch programs have started. The options were chosen 16 students who were the taste testers. The two choices are Pita Pit (1<sup>st</sup> term only) and Pizza (whole year commitment)
- Meet the teacher night saw lots of people and students attend.
- Classroom update: Room 14 has seen some progress. Flooring and counter tops remain to be installed.
- The library will be moved around, computers relocated and some furniture purchased.
- TV will be installed in hallway outside the office. It will have a chrome cast and will have announcements posted.
- OPL visits will be starting soon.
- The school will be looking to Council for financial support for the leaving ceremony. Last year the school had \$500 to purchase corsage/boutonniere for each student as well as cupcakes instead of cake. The school does not want to have the flowers this year.
- Student council is up and running. There are 2 representatives per class.
- There will be a Halloween Dance. Student council and WE club will be working together to organize this. WE club would like to participate in the WE Scare Hunger by collecting for the food cupboard. The dance will be during the last period of the day. There will be a games room in the library for students not wishing to go to the dance.
- Student council will use money raised to purchase items for the school. They run three fundraisers throughout the year with the first funds being kept locally, second globally, third to the school.

### **Chair's Report:** Denise Nap

- New email to contact council: [GCPS@gmail.com](mailto:GCPS@gmail.com)
- School Council meeting agenda will be on the school website, with the minutes, once approved.
- Discussion regarding Facebook page for council. GCPS already using Facebook/Instagram/Twitter so will continue with this for now. The school will look at council being able to update our own tab on the school website. Points of contact for parents will be website and email.
- School Council currently has a balance of approximately \$1,300.00 from 2 years ago (there was no SC last year).

### **Tour de Table:**

- Ryan will speak to Angela in the office to be updated re: finances
- Robyn what fund raising activities does council do?
  - Students have taken over most of the fund raising. Discussed having council supervise a cake walk, having Student council (teacher supervisors- Clark Day and Kerry Hillier) liaise with

School council. An idea to allocate funds (from Angela Chaplin) is to do an activity like 'Shark Tank' to decide what to do with the Student council's money. Each participating student presents their idea. Teachers, principal and local public members to form the board. This allows all students to have their voice heard.

- Angela parents from the community have dropped of new nets for the outside basketball hoops. Students not interested in sports are being more vocal, and more programs are being started for them. Magic the Gathering will also be having a tournament. December 1 or 2 will be the first night for curling. Matt Edgeworth and Angela will be running it. Anyone can attend. It is recommended that you purchase a slider. Curling will be Mondays from 5-7pm. School clothing is all on line.
- Tracy January 20 there will be a D&D night. Parents will be needed to help.

\*\*\*\*\*School Council meetings will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month (excluding March, including December) at 6:30 pm\*\*\*\*\*

November 12, 2019

December 10, 2019

January 14, 2020

February 14, 2020

March – No meeting

April 14, 2020

May 12, 2020

June 9, 2020