



GREEN ACRES PARENT COUNCIL & LUNCH PROGRAM MEETING

Tuesday September 9, 2025 – 6:00 pm, **in person** - schools front foyer (online available)

In Attendance: Ceyla Byers, Tia Lange, Brandi Palmer, Mrs. Warwaruk, Mrs. Doerkson, Nicole Sattler, Kristina Vander Meer, Lawana Spratt, Shayna Dubnick, Jenn from Community Centre

GAPC Minutes

1. Call meeting to Order- 6:04pm
2. Present September 9, 2025, agenda, any additions/corrections – Approved by Kristina and Seconded by Brandi
3. Present June 17, 2025, Minutes, any additions/corrections – Approved by Shayna and Seconded by Brandi
4. **Principal's Report** – Mrs. Warwaruk

Parent Council Meeting – September 9th, 2025

Demographics:

❖ **School configuration 239**

Students – (OUTS – 6, INS – 14)

- 1 Kinder class
- 3 – 1/2 classes
- 3 – 3/4 classes
- 3 – 5/6 classes
- 3- 7/8 classes

❖ **Activities:**

- Month of September and early October review safety drills
- September 11th – Picture Day
- September 24th – Grade 5-6 Soccer Jamboree
- September 25th – GA Welcome Back BBQ 5-7 pm
- September 26th – Tentative Terry Fox Run
- September 29th – PD Day K-12, NO SCHOOL
- September 30th – National Day of Truth & Reconciliation, NO SCHOOL
- October 1st – Grade 4 Soccer Jamboree
- October 7th – Grade 6 & 8 Immunizations
- October 8th – Grade 7 & 8 Golf Jamboree

❖ **Discussions/Information:**

- Teacher Rep – Mrs. Doerksen grade 5/6
- Next PAC meeting – October 7th (first Tuesday of every month)
- Discuss review fire drill at lunch

Great school year start up! Drills have started already and will be reviewed over lunch time as well. Grade 8's and YR hosting Year end BBQ this year. Lots of extra curricular this year!

5. Lunch Program Report – Kristina & Nicole

We have 105 Lunch Program students staying for lunch.

The Lunch Program is full for the school year. We have had some upset parents not able to get their child(ren) in the lunch program. We all sympathize with these parents and encourage them to advocate for funding and coordination for lunch programs from our provincial government.

Lunch Program Registration form update.

We have 3 full time & 3 part time lunch program supervisors that we have hired for the school year.

Receipts are done for payments that were collected for the 2025/26 lunch program fees. They will be sent home with students this month.

Our hot lunch days & vendors have been picked for the school year. First hot lunch day will be October 10th with Pizza Pizza.

Sympathize with parents whose children are on waitlist for lunch program. Header on the registration form for lunch program will be changed to say "WAITLIST", so parents know they are requesting to be added to waitlist not registering their child.

Kristina will complete. First hot lunch is "Pizza Pizza" on October 10th. Ambassadors working at lunch program is going great and smaller ratio is going much smoother.

6. Financial reports- Brandi

Pizza Pizza cheque came out late and staff payments were taken from account at end of June. Parent Council bank account is unchanged since June. We want to hold onto at least one month's worth of wages in the Lunch Program account. Low in fundraisers last year. Discussion about \$60 in shares that are "unreleased" sitting in bank account. Brandi will contact Shauna and look into how the Credit Union can release those funds. Ceyla indicates that the Credit Union will need meeting minutes to show account changers at that time. Nicole will check old emails to search for minutes when Shauna was treasurer.

a. Lunch Program Financial Report to date – Approved by Shayna and seconded by Brandi

Green Acres Lunch Program			
Balance Sheet			
Assets:	17-Jun-25	As of September 1st	
Chequing	\$22,304.02		\$27,035.52
Total Assets:	\$22,304.02		\$27,035.52
Pizza Pizza	609.85		19-Jun
Lunch staff wages	2762.5		27-Jun
Bank Fees	6	E-transfers	
Total Liabilities:	2768.5		
Lunch Program registrations	7500		
Total Income:	7500		

b. Parent Council Financial Report to date – Approved by Shayna and seconded by Brandi

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- c. **Chqs to be signed for any items-** No cheques required at this moment, still waiting to find out what we have for donations for BBQ before we know purchases.

7. Fundraiser Report and Planning – Lawana

- a. Peak of the Market no longer available
- b. New fundraising ideas:
 - i) Dominoes (order for the dance to have a raise the dough fundraiser)
 - ii) Tendercuts – see if there are more options
 - iii) Kernels before Halloween
 - iv) Larger style 50/50
 - v) Coin drive – with thermometer gauge that kids can make
 - vi) McSweeneys Beef Jerky – can be done online – up to 30% profit

Fundraising Report

Peak of the Market

No longer offering to groups outside of Winnipeg due to costs of transport.

Domino's pizza

Will do 2 dough raising days as long as we get 2 hot lunch days for the school.

1st one – Just after the Halloween Dance or Christmas Concert? Then we can promote it at the event.

Other options: Kernels, Tendercuts, Old Dutch Chips

BBQ – Thursday, September 25, 5 – 7pm (Celya & Shayna)

Drinks, Hot Dogs, Chips, Cookies – Each item 1 ticket? – 1 ticket/\$1.25

Poster attached.

Coop will donate \$150 of gift cards total for us to use for the bbq and Halloween dance.

Superstore is giving a \$50 gift card

Kuipers is donating buns?

Reviewed email from Kuipers that indicates they will donate the buns for Welcome Back BBQ. Have received Superstore gift card and a donation letter was dropped off at Tendercuts. Discussion about chocolate bars at BBQ instead of cookies as they can be messy to serve. Has to be peanut free and wrapped. Possibly cupcakes or cookies. Ceyla will get donation letter to Tim Hortons requesting cookies or possibly Timbits to serve as a dessert item. 50/50 raffle confirmed for bbq and Lawana will get license number. Halloween dance date confirmed on October 23rd, 2025 from 6-8pm. Set up from last year worked well. No gift baskets for prizes, might just give kids canteen tickets as prizes and will draw for that half way through evening so tickets can be spent.

8. New Business

- a. AGM – to be AFTER the year end carnival - need to fill LP Coordinator and Fundraising chair
Minimal discussion on this point- Deferred.
- b. Meetings held first Tuesday of each month at 6 pm (except Dec/Jan)
- c. Insurance plans- Discussion about this recommendation from BSD to insure LP workers for the lunch hour as they are not insured by the division as previously told. Insurance should come out of parent council budget, not lunch program as the lunch program budget is not big enough. Brandi will reach out to Mandy Harvey regarding insurance details. As long as all lunch program staff are covered under the approx. \$500 insurance then we will very likely move forward with it. Motion to purchase insurance moved by Kristina and seconded by Shayna.

9. Follow Up

- a. Mrs. W please ask Mrs. Bortis to add PC meeting minutes for April, May and June 2025 to website as a parent was asking for them. Tia needs to send minutes to Mrs. W. Previously sent the minutes in the corresponding month.

10. Tabled

- a. AGM date change discussion
- b. Filling the LP coordinator and Fundraiser chair roles

11. Round Table-

- a. Shayna question about soliciting business donations. Lawana provided guidance to give the business 2 days to respond to the letter and if we don't hear back then give them a call to inquire.
- b. Ceyla mentioned concern that Nicole and LP staff are parents first and staff second. So, when attending the school during an event if parents have questions or concerns please have them contact the lunch program email address. Not fair to Nicole/Kristina to miss their children's school happenings to deal with upset parents. Mrs. W will look into making business cards for the secretary to hand to parents when they have inquiries re: Lunch program. She will also chat with secretary regarding same.
- c. Jenn from community centre spoke at meeting to share an idea their committee had about the children from Green Acres school painting the rink boards this fall or spring. Mrs. W will check with division to see if this is allowed by bsd. If this moves forward it would have to be spring as there isn't enough time to sort out before winter.
- d. It was also shared that the community centre is looking for a dirt donation for the snow hill behind community centre that is readily accessed by Green Acres students. Brandi indicated that she can help with the dirt donation if the Community Centre can get a truck lined up.

12. Call Meeting to a close- 7:49pm