

**Georges P. Vanier and Ecole Routhier School Council Minutes**  
**January 13, 2014**

**Attendance:**

Murray Maran, Nigel McCarthy, Terry Valiquette, Bob Owens, Melissa Portelance, Lisa Blanchette, Aimee Andersen, Jo-ann Fournier, Annette Ouellette, Alexandra Brochu, Karen Scholl, Lynn Skrepnek, Jackie Cuthbertson, Cristy Whalen, and Chantal L'abbe

1. **Meeting called to order** at 7:05 by Nigel McCarthy
2. **Call for new executive** by Nigel McCarthy. New executive as follows;

- **Chair** Alexandra Brochu
- **Vice Chair** Chantal Labbe
- **Treasurer (Routhier)** Aimee Andersen
- **Treasurer (GPV)** Annette Ouellette
- **Secretary** Lisa Blanchette
- **Directors** Annette Ouellette, Jackie Cuthbertson, Jo-ann Fournier, Terry Valiquette, Cristy Whalen

3. **Approval of previous (Routhier) minutes** by Aimee Andersen

4. **Approval of previous (Vanier) minutes** by Terry Valiquette

**4. Business arising from previous minutes:**

- a. Lice--not sure if it is still an issues. Having Karen Benoit come in to give a presentation to parents was discussed. Talk to current public health nurse (Linda or Sue), however there is an influenza outbreak, so she may be busy. Chantal will call to see what they suggest on the matter. A presentation to educate parents on lice. Will call Alex to let her know what the outcome will be.
- b. Literacy night was postponed in December. Aimee Andersen is organizing the event. It will be held February 11 at 6:30 in the small gym at Routhier.
- c. Christmas concerts DVD's: \$560 worth! Sold more than last year. Had trouble as not enough volunteers, and people filled forms in without money. Chantal will give these to Nigel, and Nigel will call parents to elicit funds.
- d. January 29 Family dance at GPV 7:00-8:30. Strobe light and a fog machine, tech club will DJ, or Legacy students were offered by GPV. Bob and Murray will ask and let Lisa know. Popcorn, drinks, silent auction. More discussion needs to be had, and a sub-committee will be created
- e. RFES will contribute \$13 000 back to the school for the literacy project. Special Education equipment, an ipad lab for ECS, and chromebooks. RFES board was re-elected. Tara (Chair), Doreen Brulotte (Treasurer), Lisa Blanchette (Secretary), Diane Dolhan (Director). Each member was asked to get an item for the dance for the auction.

## **5. New business:**

### **a. "Fruit in February":**

- Well received by parents for the most part
- School council initiative, and need 4-5 people to help deliver
- GPV wants to have access to this fundraiser
- RFES will give forms to GPV, and forms will be brought to Falher. Parents must pick fruit up in Falher
- letter is ready to go to parents, needs updated forms
- Supports swimming and skating programs at Routhier

### **b. Personnel changes at GPV and Routhier:**

**i) Routhier**--Diane Benoit is taking the Lead Literacy Roll with the School Division, commencing February 1. Melissa Portelance will be the Assistant Principal. June 30 the secondment will end. Ann Payer will be in grade 3. Alta Kopp in grade 4,5,6 math and lit. aid and tutor. Literacy/numeracy intervention at the DIV.1. Jacqui Laliberte into 2E. Hillary Reid is going into ECS. Monique Brulotte will be moving into a ECS and Mat. speech path. program delivery. The hire for LLI and math 5-6

**ii) Vanier**--Murray Maran accepted position at Central Office as the Assistant Superintendent of Finance. Commencing February 1, Bob Owens will assume Principal position, Pam Heckbert will be Assistant Principal. Kim Aubin filling in for Chris Reid until February 1. New candidate offered position today. Bob will maintain 1 class, Kristen Blanchette will take the other group.

### **b. New Council Housekeeping:**

- Decide which school will hold the agenda
- Have agendas to chair and chair will decide which school will have the agenda
- Nigel will have agenda to chair by end of the month
- Put agenda on school web-pages, synervoice
- Maintain separate bank accounts
- Concern over miscommunication regarding tonight's meeting. Was not on Vanier web-page with the accurate date, and when the school was called, it was communicated that the meeting was the following week. Need to be more intentional and diligent when communicating to parents in regard to meetings. Update web-page more regularly, and perhaps send out syner-voice.
- A motion was made by Terry Valiquette to have Annette and Alex to have signing authority. Jacqui Cuthbertson seconds.
- When the meeting is at Routhier, Lisa will take minutes, at Vanier, Pam Heckbert will take minutes.
- Alex Brochu motion made that the meetings will be every second Tuesday at 7:00pm at alternating schools. Annette Ouellette seconds

**6. GPV news:**

- Diploma Exam and mid-terms for Jr. High the next few weeks
- 2 extra days in June for grades 9-12 because of exams. Busses will still run
- Christmas dinner was a great success, Kristen Blanchette and Marion Lessard spearheaded event and would like to make it an annual event.

**7. Routhier News**

- "Meals on Heels" project lost 3 clients. Call out for seniors to attend the program. Free lunch with a group of students at the Club Alouette on Monday's starting at 11. Maybe Rachel could talk to Cheri Daubert regarding getting more clients.

**8. RFES/GPVEF**

- Casino is in May or June
- Could a GPVEF member be in attendance?

**9. Treasurers report--Routhier**

- \$701 pizza done (Doreen Brulotte and Aimee taking care of this)
- Parent reps will be asked to cut pizza
- Pizza day not every month, 2 in May, and none in April

**GPV--**

- Account has been made inactive
- \$150 from the Division used to buy gifts for the 'Colour Night' speakers  
initial grad meeting will be set up by Bob and Murray. Parent committees will be set up. School takes care of the convocation ceremony, parents deal with banquet.

**10. Trustees report:** Lynn Skrepnek and Karen Scholl shared their report from the school board meeting

**Next meeting will be 7:00pm February 10 in Falher at Routhier**  
**Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm**