



**Gesner Street Elementary School  
10 Gesner Street, Oromocto, E1V 2S8**

**Parent School Support Committee Minutes**

**Date: April 30, 2026**

**Time: 6:00 PM**

**Location: In Person & Virtually on Teams**

**Attendees:** Sheila Baker, Stacey St. Peter, Kaitlyn Bettle, Sherry Jonah, Lyndon Morehouse, Samantha Wambolt, Wallace Carr & Tanya Cloutier

**Virtual:** Kelly Till

**Regrets:** Erin Crook, Sophie and Matt Quigley, and Angela Penton,

**Call to Order:** Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

**Approval of the Agenda:** Samantha approved the agenda and Kaitlyn seconded.

**Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting:** Lyndon approved the minutes from the previous meeting and Kaitlyn seconded.

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

- School Wildly Important Goal (WIG): Updates/ Data Tracking-Green Great Gecko awards
  - Students were taking a long time to come back inside off the playground. They needed 10 days to come inside in less than 5 minutes. They completed the WIG and the students voted for a school wide stuffy day.
  - The current WIG is to reduce the number of hands-on behaviour incidents on the playground. The goal is 4 or less incidents of hands-on behaviour on the playground per day. Once they reach this WIG, students will vote on their reward.
  - They are tracking the number of Gecko awards being given out since the end of March. Once they reach 1750 Gecko Awards, they will celebrate with a Freaky Friday where the students can go on any playground during recess.
  - Classes are also doing their own WIGs.
- Two Playground Rules Signs-Quote from *Six Colour Copy*

- On the playground, they do not have the playground rules posted. The school team is exploring adding weather-proof playground rule signs to the back of the Proloquo2Go communication boards.
- Kaitlyn motioned to use the PSSC budget to purchase two playground rule signs from Six Colour Copy for \$510. Sherry seconded the motion. It was unanimous in favour of purchasing the signs.

### **New Business:**

- Wallace Carr shared updates from the DEC. He shared documents with Sheila who sent them along to the committee.
- Term 2: Report Card Data
  - Sheila shared the term 2 report card data for each of the Language Arts and Mathematics strands compared to first report card. For learners who are approaching grade level expectations (2), they are receiving additional support from the Academic Support Teacher and/or other staff members. The school team is trying a different approach to see if there is success in doing intervention differently.
- School has organized many events for the students that include: African Drumming, French Pride Week, TNB *Velveteen Rabbit* Performance, Spring Solstice Indigenous Drumming, Making Fruit Parfaits, Grade 1 Farm Field Trip, Grade 2 Art Gallery Field Trip and the school choir went to the Playhouse to perform at the Music Festival
- School Recycling Grant: Mme Blunston applied for a recycling grant and received it. They will host a school-wide clean up day. Classes will do this in pairs with their Wabanaki class partners.
- School Upgrades-New Ventilation System. All of the units are installed, and they are just waiting for them to be up and running.
- Kindergarten Orientation is scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:30-11:30 AM. Current Kindergarten student will not come to school on this day. The kindergarten teacher will meet in the afternoon to plan for the incoming kindergartener student's transition.
- Indigenous Book Bundle: The district has been providing the school with a bundle of indigenous books. The school has put together a book bundle box where any staff member can sign out a book. Each book comes with a lesson plan.
- Cedici was contracted as the hot lunch food provider for next school year.

### **Updates from the volunteer committee:**

- The online Auction raised apx. \$3600
- Scholastic Book Fair-April 21-25: The school will receive \$3700 Scholastic Dollars.
- Spring Into Spring Market-April 25: The school made just over \$900

### **Upcoming events:**

- Beaverbrook Art Gallery for the Grade 2 Students
- Career Day
- Peace Run

**Fundraiser for May:** Jump Rope for Heart

**Date of Next Meeting:** May 28, 2026

**Adjournment:** Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.