

GATE Parent Association

General Meeting

May 9, 2023 7:30 pm via Zoom

Executives in attendance: Traci, Jereon, Alicia, Sunita

1. **Meeting opened at:** 7:43 pm by Traci. Traci acknowledged the land.
2. **GPA Overview:** Traci provided an overview of the role of the GATE Parents Association.
3. **Financial Update:** An update on financials was provided. As at March 31, 2023 the account balance in the General Account was \$10,141.06 and the account balance in the Casino Account was \$57,393.35.
3. **Casino Update:** Traci discussed the upcoming June 8-9 Casino fundraiser event. Several volunteers are still needed to fill key positions for the fundraiser.
4. **General Fundraising Update:** The holiday Purdy's fundraiser campaign was not as successful as in previous years; other fundraisers may be considered in the future.
5. **School Updates:** CBE has revised its GATE intake policy to intake students twice per year: September and January. Previously intake only occurred in September.
 - Kathie Roberts provided an update on Queen Elizabeth School – Junior high GATE classes are expected to remain at two classes per year. Casino money has recently been used for jerseys and technology.
 - Traci provided an update on Henry Wise Wood school – Students are participating in a Model United Nations, robotics competition, science Olympics and debate tournament; volunteers are needed for exam season and for teacher appreciation.
 - Kelly Poon provided an update on Hillhurst School – funds are being used for gaga ball court, learning commons materials and technology. The school recently hosted a career day and a community cleanup day. The school welcomed a new office administrator upon departure of the long time administrator Josie.
 - Irina Rajakumar provided an update on Louis Riel school. Funds are being used for a new basketball court. The school expects one grade 4 GATE class for the 2023-2024 school year.
6. **Fall AGM:** The GPA is looking for a new President to fill the President role for the 2023-2025 term.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

