

Parent Council Meeting October 7, 2025	
Welcome and Introductions	Mme Morowiec - Teacher rep Christian Muise - Treasurer Graham - PAL Alicia Childs - Event Coordinator Isla Milne - PAL Haley Somerville - Communications Officer Sarah - PAL Cat London - PAL - Library Committee Kate Alldred - Secretary Teena Hartwick - Co-Chair Rebecca Welfare - Lister - Chair Taylor Napier - Fundraising Committee Leilan Baxter - Environmental Chair Nikki Rae - Teacher Valerie Arsenault - Principal
Approval of Agenda	Approved
Approval of last week's minutes	Approved
Business arising from last week's minutes	Meeting dates and times for 2025-2026 • In favour of 3:45 start for all meetings • Will do Tuesdays - 1st Tuesday of each month • November 4th, December 2nd, January 13th, February 3rd, March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th, June 2nd • Virtual meeting hosting has not worked well in the past - Christian will look into it
Chair's Report	Open House - • Thank you to Alicia and Isobel for setting up the table • Did collect some names for people to be involved - will be added to the email list serve Yard shade for kinder yard • Must purchase from a Canadian company • Rebecca to get some costs from a US company for comparison • Need to submit a tender to three companies and get quotes, the LDSB will send catalogues to choose from ◦ Contact Tim Farrence or Joe Hendry • Need to determine amount we can spend, then we can work toward funding a shade structure

Principal's Report	Construction • Hoping to have access to the yard by Tuesday • They may paint games on the pavement - a few four-squares, maybe an obstacle course, or a labyrinth • And will add a buddy bench ◦ Consider renaming as "bored bench" ◦ Suggest looking at benches when looking at the catalogues for shade structures as well - then we can determine cost and set-aside funds PA Day Friday • Student Achievement Plan - set goals that will direct PD for the year and hitting Board goals for literacy and numeracy and ensuring student well-being • Goal: 90% students attending school 90% of the time ◦ How can this be achieved? • Afternoon to work on IEPs. ◦ Reviewed in September (mandatory) and throughout the year as things change. Parking • Has improved • Suggest having a way to flag cars illegally park to remind people • Consider reaching out to the Trustee - Joy Morning was approached 4-5 years ago, could also reach out to Jim Neill Jim Neill 613-483-8076 E-mail: neillj@limestone.on.ca • Concerns for safety of people confronting drivers/people parked illegally • Consider a subcommittee for parking - Rebecca to send an email to strike a subcommittee
Teachers Report	• Clubs ◦ D&D, Sewing, Running • Intramural volley ball started • Fall trips to apples, pumpkins and Fall Fair • Tomorrow is Terry Fox Run • BRAVE presentations starting - building self-confidence to stand up • Frontenacs game last weekend
Events	Pop Cycle October 25th • Cash drop box at the door • Donations are optional, but it is helpful to cover the cost of custodial staff and space - also to raise money for Food Share this time • Volunteers October 24th from 1400-2000 to sort - show up anytime, no need to pre-register

	○ Also may need volunteers to drive around and pick up items on the 23rd - Isla will let us know if there are pick-ups to do so that this can be pre-arranged. ● Spread the word! - the flyer is attached to the last email that Val sent and Isla can send a copy to the RPS email list ○ Has been added to the KHSC intranet, some flyers are up at downtown businesses Student Craft Sale ● In the hall concurrent with Pop Cycle sale - cash only ● Kids can make their own crafts and sell them ● "Fee" is donation of one item to the Parent Council table - money from this table sale goes to the school ● To get the kinder classes involved - Alicia has made large banners for the craft sale and the kinders can assist with colouring. ● If kids want to volunteer at the tables to sell - there will be a sign-up form that will go out and those kids will be responsible for being present and helping to sell items ○ Need a float from Catherine - give this about a week - PC also has a float in the safe for use by PC. Boo Bash ● October 29th and 30th - 5:00pm - 8:00pm ● PC has carnival games in the closet - clown game, bowling, skee-ball ● Will be craft tables as well ● And bake sale - funds go to the school - all by donation ● Requesting access to the stage - can grant access as long as kids do not jump or fall off, but the stage is very full right now, so may not be possible ○ Wanted to have tables with "if you dare, put your hand in the box" ● Will need to reach out for KSS student volunteers - need 10-11 volunteers if possible ● Will need to rent tables from the Board for the Pop Cycle sale and for the Boo Bash - Val to reach out ● For drinks - will depend on the water fountains and remind kids to bring their water bottles ● Photo booth? - do a selfie station and people can take their own photos ● Alicia has many decorations already - will need to make some signs ● Alicia has started a spreadsheet for items/events needed
Fundraising Report	Need to make a budget ● Need a list of things we need to fundraise for ○ Library, etc ● Send an email to Rebecca and Christian with fundraising

ideas

- No longer need to fundraise for iPads 😊
- Request from teacher rep for support for class trips - to cover the cost of bussing, etc.
 - Can use Bingo and Nevada money for this.

Current Fundraisers

- Flip Give
 - Need to get more people involved
 - Have not had many people sign up
 - Mme Moroweic will encourage teachers to include in class emails to remind people of it
 - For FG - highlight how easy it is and that it includes gas, grocery, and Starbucks
- Fundscript
 - Good for Christmas because people are spending money anyway
- Consider promoting one and then the other to avoid confusion.

Bingo

- We are approved and on the list - seven people have signed up
- Need separate bank account and cannot be the same as Nevada - have one account with \$4000 in it currently from Nevada
 - Need to open a separate account by October 31st - Catherine needs to request this through the LDSB
 - Christian will lead the opening of the account
- At this time do not need more volunteers until the core group is trained - once this happens, more can be recruited
- If we have this set up by October 31st we can start by March
- Each 2h shift with two volunteers will make \$600

FFTF

- Currently at \$200 - which is what we have made so far
- Wide delivery window
- Taylor to send a reminder in the FB group to get more people to purchase

Do we want to do Wilton Cheese again?

- Christian to figure out how much was made last year and we will decide - \$1070.00 made last year.

Frontenacs game

- Made about \$700
- We got free tickets that can be raffled off in the future to raise money

Treasurer's Report	• Estimated between \$3000-\$7000.00 available • Christian to look at how much is earmarked for clubs • And how much is earmarked for teachers and for graduation • Will follow-up next month
Discussion	Food Share • This year they are encouraging the school to do some of their own fundraising • It is on School Day • As PC, do we need to find ways to support FS? • Bins are being emptied in one day instead of in two • Cooler bags are going very quickly - ordering more and it is going very quickly. • Brown bag lunches have not started yet • There also may be more kids, there are also kids who were not previously struggling who are now accessing the FS program. • There is much more demand this year and reluctance for us to fundraise for this from Rideau parents who are already struggling - can we look at fundraising outside of our community ○ Can Bingo money be used for this? Cat to follow-up. ○ Or can we move money from other initiatives to Food Share? ○ Can we dedicate one fundraiser to Food Share? ■ Pop Cycle can direct money to this, which is appropriate because it is by donation, so no expectation and aligns with FS. ■ Consider adding communication to the Boo Bash advertisement that there will be a monetary donation box for FS at the event. • Is there a budget? The food cannot be donated, but is purchased and is specific to the needs/parameters of the FS project. ○ Plain Cheerios, Shreddies, vegetables. Kinder rep plans - Sarah Env Chair Update • Would like to start an Environmental Committee/Garden Redevelopment Committee • Seeking Staff Advisor for this and Leilan has spoken to Val about this • Also seeking 2 other parents to assist with leading this ○ This can be included in the Sunday newsletter. • Purpose - landscaping the front of the school and providing some experience to the students

	○ Fall clean-up and planting bulbs - needs to happen this month ○ Have 200 bulbs to plant ○ Looking for about 15 students to help with this - what is the best way to recruit? ■ Choose a grade to focus on - Grade 3 does soil and planting in the curriculum. ■ Consider also choosing grades who are not involved in intramural sports - anybody under Grade 5 and 6 ■ Rather than a group - maybe run this as a workshop with the three Grade 3 classes. ○ Consider having classes nominate one child who is interested in gardening for a committee. ● Also Winter: seed-starting activity ● Spring: planting of seedlings
Committee Updates	● Committee money still exists from last year - no one has asked for more money yet ● Library committee - no news ● Student Initiative Committee - Christian intends to ask for more money to increase to \$2000 Mme Rae - BeaverBots - safe jigsaws to cut cardboard ● Reason for this - it is a sustainable way for kids to use their creativity and problem-solving in every part of the curriculum - visual arts, drama, flight, bridges, any other STEM activities ● BB are made for classroom use and last 5 years ● Asked Awesome Kingston to buy 2 at \$399 plus pack of extra supplies - not successfully funded through AK this time ● Mme Rae has button-maker - will make buttons and sell at Boo Bash to raise funds for this if AK cannot provide, or may also use for a 3rd BB. ● Mme Rae will be going back in October to AK - could get \$1000 - next Thursday at 7pm - happy to have parents and students come to show support ● Trailhead also has a climate-related fund that they use to assist with projects, this may be helpful for this initiative

Take-Aways	• Christian - open Bingo account, determine funds already allocated to clubs, look into improving virtual meeting space? • Val - tables for Pop Cycle and Boo Bash • Cat - find out if Bingo money can be used toward Food Share • Alicia - share Boo Bash sign-up sheet
Adjournment and next meeting	November 4th at 3:45pm