

Parent Council Meeting January 13, 2026	
Welcome and Introductions	Rachel - PAL Christian Muise - Treasurer Rebecca Welfare - Lister - Chair Erin Moroweic - Teacher Rep Christine Kennedy - Acting Principal Leilan - Env Chair Vincent Perez - PAL Newspaper and Archives Clubs Alicia - Events Coordinator Kate Alldred - Secretary Paul - PAL Teena - Co-Chair Haley Somerville - Communications Officer Sarah - PAL Patty - PAL and Sewing Club
Approval of Agenda	Approved
Approval of last month's minutes	Not sent - Kate will send today.
Business arising from last week's minutes	None
Chair's Report	<p>PC has a mailbox in the staff room and in the office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● In the future, when there are expenses or cheque requisitions to be done, there will be hard copies in the office in the PC mailbox.</li> <li>● Fill it out and then let PC members know that it is there.</li> <li>● When depositing money, two people need to count and then sign-off on it.</li> <li>● Christian needs to be aware of money moving (Treasurer).</li> <li>● Money stays in the safe, must be opened by office staff to count, but the paperwork can be done without involving office staff and left for PC members to sign to minimize burden on office staff.</li> </ul> <p>Shade for Playground Equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Rebecca now needs to engage the kinder classes to ask exactly what they want in order to understand the actual cost.</li> <li>● Likely a solid steel canopy - this will be around \$50,000</li> <li>● Suppliers and installation need to be LDSB-approved.</li> </ul> <p>Nevada Tickets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$295.80 for license - paid out of Nevada account</li> <li>● \$238.08 for the plastic box. This gets paid when we start</li> </ul>

	<p>earning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Another fee for the tickets - not paid until we start earning money.</li> <li>● Tickets are selling but slowly. They are available at Queen's Convenience store near the school.</li> <li>● \$1274.77 total cost</li> <li>● But will make &gt;\$1000.00 per box</li> <li>● All of this money goes in and out of the Nevada account - which has a balance of just over \$4000.00.</li> </ul>
<p>Principal's Report</p>	<p>Rocks and Rings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Coming next month.</li> <li>● Last week of February.</li> <li>● Mme Kennedy to f/u with total cost.</li> </ul> <p>Karate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Starts January 29th.</li> <li>● Tallack's Karate comes every Thursday.</li> <li>● During recess and lunch for 25 minutes of karate.</li> <li>● Look for promotional material week of January 19th.</li> </ul> <p>Student Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jersey day on Friday - sports jerseys or Rideau spirit wear.</li> <li>● Spirit day January 29th - Rideau wear.</li> <li>● Plan for Valentine's Day celebration. Student Council would like to have a dance - this will be held during the school day. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Combine Valentine's Day dance and Glow Dance.</li> <li>○ Parent Council cupboard has supplies for decorations that Student Council could use to make decorations for the dance.</li> <li>○ Teena to order glow sticks.</li> <li>○ Motion to support up to \$150 for the dance. Supported.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Also an idea for a movie night with concessions. Will need parent and Parent Council volunteer support for this. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Student Council would like the student body to vote for a movie, then the school can provide a choice from a licensed website.</li> <li>○ Need Parent Council support for concessions, ticket sales, etc.</li> <li>○ Motion to support a movie night - Paul, seconded - Kate.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Rideau - Frontenac Game</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ticket sales to bump back free tickets for future games</li> <li>● After game in the fall - 14 tickets to a future game</li> <li>● Mr Cameron will raffle off to families in exchange to families for the foodbank - any amount of food.</li> <li>● If you win tickets and need more for family members, you</li> </ul>

	<p>can purchase nearby seats.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● February 21st afternoon game is the one Rideau will be attending - Fronts Fight Cancer game</li> <li>● Any free tickets from that game need to be used toward games this season.</li> </ul>
<p>Teachers Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mme Rae has been using the Beaver Bots</li> <li>● Mme Moroweic has been using the Dash Robots</li> <li>● Primary Choir starting for Grade 3</li> <li>● Basketball started 4, 5, 6</li> <li>● Intramurals starting</li> <li>● Grades 5,6 going to Queen's Gaels Women's hockey.</li> <li>● Jan 30th PA Day and teachers will be preparing report cards.</li> </ul>
<p>Events</p>	<p>Gift Wrapping Fundraiser</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Thanks to everyone who helped and donated items.</li> <li>● Next year, we can use more donations of boxes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Consider a donation drive for boxes and gift bags.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Made \$240.00 total and this will go to the library.</li> <li>● Next year will start advertising and organizing earlier.</li> </ul>
<p>Fundraising Report</p>	<p>For the shade structure</p> <p>For Foodsharing - need to look at what money is going there</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Difficult to buy food or donate actual food to Foodshare - needs to meet particular standards and be the same items/brands.</li> <li>● Need to look at amounts and decide what is a meaningful amount to donate.</li> </ul> <p>Old Dutch - next year</p> <p>FlipGive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Push for this at this time because it is better for day-to-day use.</li> <li>● Need to advertise.</li> </ul> <p>FundScript</p> <p>BINGO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Contact Cat London</li> <li>● Parent Council shirts arrived</li> <li>● Can purchase your own from the ones ordered (Large, SM and XL available at \$20.85 each)</li> <li>● Need to have two volunteers per shift but we make up to \$600 for each two-person shift.</li> <li>● Working on recruiting additional reliable volunteers - requesting to have the teachers help recruit parents.</li> </ul>

<p>Treasurer's Report</p>	<p>Current account balance and available funds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pewter ornament - \$300 extra for those</li> <li>● \$4500 for teacher supplies but not all was used, we topped it up using just \$1500 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mme Kennedy to let teachers know there is money to use</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Library fund - \$4000.00</li> </ul> <p>Earmarked funds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tribune \$1,250</li> <li>● Archives - \$1500</li> <li>● Dash bots - \$700</li> <li>● Schoolyard upkeep - \$1000</li> <li>● Sewing \$500</li> </ul> <p>\$500 for Gr 6  Curling estimated \$805  Student initiatives - \$150  Foodshare estimate \$200  Sit at \$3000.00 surplus</p>
<p>Kinder Rep</p>	<p>No news today</p>
<p>Env Chair</p>	<p>Fall project - planted 200 spring bulbs in the front!</p> <p>Now planning seed-starting projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outdoor seed sowing - collect clear plastic containers (pop bottles, etc.) - fill with soil and seeds and leave outside until they germinate and are ready to plant</li> <li>● Only works with native perennials, etc.</li> <li>● These will be placed in the garden area</li> </ul> <p>Need help</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Request for donations of recyclable materials</li> <li>● Reach out for donations of clear plastic containers, tall if possible - 2L pop bottles, milk jugs, plastic totes</li> <li>● Leilan to share materials needed with description to Haley and will also advertise in the school newsletter</li> <li>● Also request for seeds</li> <li>● May be an opportunity to obtain seeds from Tyendinaga and if this learning highlights Indigenous learning, there is funding that can support this</li> </ul>
<p>Library</p>	<p>See above</p>
<p>Discussion</p>	<p>Snow Days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Many snow days this year and buses are often cancelled.</li> <li>● Concern raised that snow days are not being used for learning.</li> <li>● Clarification provided that teachers are providing learning on snow days and learning can be more focussed because</li> </ul>

	<p>there are fewer students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Suggestion for the school to communicate to parents that snow days are business as usual and that the same opportunities for learning exist on snow days.</li> <li>● Per policy - teachers continue with regular teaching but do not start any new projects on snow days.</li> </ul> <p>Brown Bag Lunches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 55/week</li> </ul>
Committee Updates	<p>Student-led initiatives - nil</p> <p>Library - as above</p>
Take-Aways	<p>Teena - glow sticks for the dance</p> <p>Leilan and Haley - advertising the seed-starting project and materials needed</p> <p>Kate - send December minutes</p> <p>All - volunteer for Valentine's Day dance</p>
Adjournment and next meeting	<p>February 3rd at 3:45pm</p>