

November 2025 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Brina, Robyn, Stephanie, Anna, Gord, Beth

A. Call to Order - 6:04pm

B. Reports

A. Principal Report: We currently have 314 students enrolled. We just brought 2 Grade 3 students off the waitlist so now Miss Lees & Miss Gouwenbergs classes are full. There is 1 Grade 2 and 1 Grade 3 on the waitlist still. All other classes are full.

Science World has been at the school doing a Coding Program with about 6/7 classes.

Soccer season has ended; volleyball is starting - Coaches: Jess Kampen and Jeremy Smith

Remembrance Day Assembly scheduled for Friday, November 7

Staffing Updates:

Please join us in wishing all the best to our Principal Gord Johnson as he will be retiring in December and please congratulate Jessica McKerrow as she will become the new Principal.

Job Postings:

There are 2 new postings: - Temp Prep teacher & Inclusive Education teacher

C. Treasurer Report:

General Account \$10,578.99 Gaming \$8,078.29

Halloween Dance: - \$430 was spent on decorations and prizes. \$130 was spent on purchasing items for the concession. Our approximate profit from the concession is \$300

Gord to Contact Lions regarding field trip funding

Teacher Basket: \$100 budget comes from General account.

Motions:

Grade 6 Camp Donation (Mr. King):

- \$500 from General Account
- Cheque written to school
- Motion: Stephanie | Second: Robyn | All in favour

Classroom Enrichment:

- \$100 from Gaming Account per classroom - 13 divisions + librarian = \$1,400 Motion: Stephanie | Second: Anna | All in favour

D. DPAC Report:

Statement of Support - Childcare RFP Transparency

As the Kent Elementary PAC, we recognize and appreciate the importance of accessible, high-quality childcare partnerships within our school community.

We've reviewed recent information shared regarding the School District 78 childcare RFP process (RFP 2025-001 & 2025-002) and understand that questions have been raised about policy alignment, transparency, and procedural fairness — including how the process aligns with Ministerial Order M326/2020 and the district's Policy 2.70 (Use of Board Property for Child Care).

While we fully respect the district's authority to award contracts, we believe it is in the best interest of families, providers, and the district itself to ensure that all childcare decisions are made through a clear, consistent, and transparent process.

Accordingly, we support calls for the district to:

- 1. Clarify how its policies and RFP procedures comply with Ministerial Order M326/2020 and the School Act;
- 2. Review and, if necessary, update Policy 2.70 to reflect current provincial standards; and
- 3. Communicate clearly with PACs, DPAC, and affected childcare providers about how decisions are reached and how community input is considered.

Our goal is not to dispute any particular outcome but to promote trust, fairness, and accountability in how childcare partnerships are managed moving forward. (Report shared by Robyn, via DPAC correspondence.)

E. General:

- 1. Festive Lunch: Scheduled for December 17. Gord to gather student numbers for a rough estimate.
- 2. Christmas Movie Night: December 17 (same day as Festive Lunch). Dustin to handle cookies. Further discussion planned for December meeting.
- 3. Clothing Drive: Bin needs to be ordered (\$100). Stickers to be created. A bin will be placed in the front of the school for parents to drop off gently used clothing items. Items should be free of holes and stains.

a. Hot Lunch:

Our next hot lunch is November 14th. <u>November 7th</u> is the deadline to get subway orders in. We would like to move away from paper orders this year. All orders must be done online unless other arrangements have been made. Please contact the PAC if you have any concerns. <u>Kentelempac@gmail.com</u>

b. Fundraising:

Winter Plants Fundraiser: - Total sales: \$14,332.95

Approximate profit: \$1,498.15

- Orders close: November 14 Delivery: November 28

F. Upcoming dates

- Nov 7: Deadline to order Subway

- Nov 14: Winter Plant Orders Close & Subway Hot lunch

- **Nov 10** : Pro d day

- Nov 11 : Remembrance day - No school

- Nov 28 : Winter Plant Delivery

- Dec 17: Festive Lunch & Christmas Movie Night

G. Next Meeting

- Pantry

- Christmas movie night

- Festive lunch

- Raffle

Next Meeting: December 3rd @6pm

Adjourned: 6:45 pm