

Beaconsfield PAC MINUTES

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

The purpose of the Council is to support, encourage and improve the quality of education and well being of students at Lord Beaconsfield Elementary School.

The Beaconsfield community humbly acknowledges that the land on which we live and learn is the traditional, unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓ əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səl'ílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tseil-Waututh) Nations.

Start time: 6:33 PM

In attendance: Tony R., Tracy C., Farjana A.J., Kathy T., Meagan C., Melissa B., Danny F., Rylie G., Aaron N., Cristina B., Melanie R., Jennifer F.

Minutes by Melanie R.

1. Welcome and Acknowledgment (2 min)

- December Minutes posted online
- Motion to approve December minutes: motion approved by Cristina, seconded by Meagan

2. Principal's Message – Mr. Tony Romano (20 min)

Special request:

Tony is meeting with the new director of childcare services (Katy) at Cedar Cottage. Last year was the first summer that they offered summer childcare. They are looking to do it again this summer.

Currently there are only 35 spots for before and after school care. This could increase up to 48 spots. Tony wrote a letter in support. Tony requests the PAC to write support letter to expand Before/After school care and continue the summer Cedar Cottage Camp (no volunteers at this time)

Choir

- Junior choir was cancelled. Grade 3-7 will run on Thursday.

Activities

- Basketball: didn't have enough Grade 5 students, but there are enough Grade 7 students. Badminton and track and field will start soon as well.
- Tap dance started today (gave shoes). Grade 3 and up. 60 kids in the gym. Next Tuesday is the official first class. Tuesday at lunch. Looking for after school room as well.

- Quilting starts this week for 1 or 2 classes, if it goes well looking to open for all classes.
- Skating started, will continue at the end of January and beginning of February.
- Mike's Critters is coming at the end of January (last 2 Fridays), need to finalize the space.
- (Meagan question) Ball hockey: equipment available from Canucks for Kids, but mention of liability issue. Need to check if safety equipment (e.g. eye protection) is available for kids to play with the equipment we have.
- Super science program from Gladstone, registration is ongoing, deadline January 13. More information at the next PAC meeting.

Reporting card system

- The teachers had a meeting on January 12 for the new reporting program, which will be in place for the fall 2026 school year. This new system is all online and could be printed by the school for parents that need it. Will be able to see the work of the students, uploaded on the portal. This new system might be used for the second term for the current school year as the current system is failing. More updates at the next PAC meeting.

Staff meeting

- Staff meeting is tomorrow (January 14). Discussion with the teachers for the proposition of reverse lunch. Need to know how to adjust hot lunch delivery time.
- Opening for swimming lessons at Renfrew pool in January, check with teachers if some are interested. March will be more competitive.

Kindergarten registration

- Around 25-26 families are registered so far. Need to wait for cross-boundary families, registration starts Feb. 1, 2026

3. BUDGET REPORT - Farjana/Anne (20min)

Fundraiser updates from December:

- Winter Cafe Sales / Spirit Wear / Auction: \$3539. 29
- Munch A Lunch Spring Launch totals/YTD: 21% in profit; \$2,061.05 in profit
- *Post in whatsapp: need volunteer for hot lunch distribution for end of January
- Gaming licence: expenses \$451
- Total expenses for past month: \$4,350
- Need to check the PAC meeting dinner expenses (Farjana to do)
- *Motion to approve budget: motion approved by Aaron, seconded by Jen

○ PAC fridge is broken- budget to fix? Will get a repair quote in the next week. Waiting to hear back from the company that sold it to see if they can fix it (bought in May 2025). If it is the compressor, we need to see if it is worth fixing or not. Not urgent. Hot lunch drinks are in another fridge. Freezies have thawed. Lost some hot dogs. PAC to provide description of what they want for fridge and freezer as home depot could have some rebate.

○ Budget for School wide Art Supply Room? After individual classroom requests, what is still left? (Kathy- to head up supply requests)

-Shana's class (Ms Bredin) list and shoutout (whatsapp) was done. Ms Behm's list and shoutout was done as well. Ms Ward and Billingley's list was done and shoutout as well.

-Option to give a form to teachers for supplies needed (after thanking them for the hot lunch help). Could leave it in the PAC's box. Amazon list could be built with this for the school as a whole.

-Cristina: Could the PAC allocate 100\$ per teacher to clear their list? This year the amount was \$200+activity subsidy per teacher (amount to be confirmed but was higher than last year).

Rylie: Resupplying the art closet could be done instead.

Tony: mentions that resupplying the art closet might be best.

Tracy: to be discussed at the end of the meeting if there is time. Kathy put together a list based on some of the teacher's needs.

Some things could be for the art closet: Art paper, pastel, paint brushes, glue jug, drawing pencils, dry erase markers, sharpie, paint, construction paper.

-Mr. Romano to talk to the teachers and get a list of the needs for the art supplies room. The budget will be evaluated afterwards.

4. CURRENT & UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS (20 min)

● **Hot Chocolate Fridays** - any for January? No one has the capacity to run this on their own. Tracy could mix the hot chocolate but needs volunteers to distribute. Put it in the whatsapp chat to see if there are some volunteers available. And check weather

● **Movie Night** - February 6 as a tentative date. Do a survey monkey for the movie to be presented

● **Valentine's Day** - grams? Cookies? Community activity? Not discussed

● **WestCoast Seeds** - Jen to run it: Now open and will be on until Feb 2. QR code around the building and will also be distributed. To be added to the website and class chats.

● **SpiritWear** - Opportunity to be sold at the Hot Chocolate Fridays.

Munch-a-lunch could have the inventory. April 22nd is the next parent-teacher conference, maybe put a stand out for this date. Could also be after school with the cube.

5. REVIEW DECEMBER EVENTS (20 min)

- Pancake Breakfast - Thursday, December 11th 8am-9am
 - What went well? Aaron stayed clean. Everything went pretty well. Lots of hands on deck. Might have been less people came through. Ran out of the sausages this year.
 - What to continue next year? Same or more sausages, same number of volunteers.
 - What do we need (if any) improvement? Maybe another date, earlier than last week of school to have more people. Valentine's day instead of Christmas time? Before Spring Break?
- *Note: we now have an easier access to the black stone.

- Winter Cafe (Dec 18th) during Hip Hop Show
 - What went well? Silent Auction, volunteers
 - What to continue next year? Organization, silent auction (but need someone to run it), number of volunteers
 - What do we need (if any) for improvement? Lots of people did not come through the winter café (were not aware, did not see it). Add signage? More publicity? Might add some pizza and hot dogs that are more like a dinner. Spirit wear, have someone run it at the cafe. Hip hop to be continued. The drink station was chaotic, another way to organize?

6. January Important Dates (5 minutes)

- Super Science Club
 - Starts Tuesday, January 27th-March 9th (Tuesdays)
 - Interest Form to be filled out by January 13th

Meeting adjourned: 8:04 PM (Tracy and Aaron approved)

Next meetings: Feb 10, 2026 and March 3, 2026 (instead of March 10) and April 14, 2026