

Beaconsfield PAC MINUTES

Tuesday December 2, 2025

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 xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səl'ílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

Attendees: Tony R., Tracy C., Farjana A.J., Kathy T., Meagan C., Melissa B., Angelina G., Danny F., Jennifer F., Kim S., Rosemary S., Rylie G., Rose N., Aaron N., Cristina B., Melanie, Annie, Chantelle D., Meena N.

Minutes by Rylie G.

1. WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (2 minutes)

- November Minutes posted online
- Motion to approve November minutes - minutes were not posted and need to be reviewed - amendment to include \$500 wishlist budget and approval to purchase supplies - approval motion deferred to January

2. PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE – Mr. Tony Romano (20 minutes)

Learning Updates:

- First learning update goes home December 17. Contact your child's teacher with any questions.
- Next learning update: March 11 (before Spring Break).
- Student conferences: April 22 & 23.

Kindergarten 2026/2027 Registration:

- Registration is underway. 25 families have signed up so far.

Choir Performances:

- School choir performance: Thursday, Dec. 4 at 4 PM in the gym.
 - Parents welcome; limited seating. Please wait outside the gym until 4 PM to allow for student rehearsal.
- Additional performances:
 - Dec. 6 – Caroling for the South Granville Business Improvement Association.
 - Dec. 11 (6–7:30 PM) – Concert at GF Strong Rehabilitation Hospital with partner schools.
- Winter Choir Program (January start) registration available via [VEMS REGISTRATION](#) link.

Winter Hip Hop Dance Performance:

- Winter celebration theme: TikTok Hip Hop.
- Performances: Thursday, Dec. 18 at 1:30 PM and 6:15 PM in the gym.
- Tickets required; will be sent home with students.
- More information coming by email.
- PAC will run a Winter Café before the evening show (items for purchase).

School Closure Information (Snow/Emergencies):

- Closure info announced by 6:30 AM on:
 - CBC (690 AM / 105.7 FM)
 - CKNW (980 AM)
 - CKWX NEWS 1130 AM
 - BCTV (Global – Channel 11)
 - CITY TV (Channel 13)

- Updates also available on the Vancouver School Board [website](#).
- **Please do not call the school for closure information.**

Winter Donation Drive:

We have partnered with BabyGoRound to run a Winter Donation Drive. BabyGoRound is a non-profit that supports vulnerable Lower Mainland families by providing essential baby gear and clothing for infants and toddlers.

- Collecting winter outerwear (sizes 0–24 months) + baby blankets.
- Supports local families in need during winter.
- BabyGoRound assists over 1,000 families per year with essential baby gear.
- Donation box located in front of the school office.
- Contact: Sarah Adams, Outreach Coordinator, BabyGoRound.

A heartfelt thank you to the Trout Lake Senior Baking Group!

- They held a fundraiser for our school and donated \$1,000.
- Funds will be used to provide gift cards to families in need.
- The school expresses gratitude for their generosity.

Year-End Message

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community.

Your efforts—whether through events, fundraising, or resources—make a meaningful difference in the learning experiences of our students and the work we do every day. We appreciate your partnership in creating a positive and welcoming environment for our school community.

Parent discussion:

Angelina G.:

- Coordinating with the Trout Lake Quilters Circle (TLQC) to teach students sewing and quilting, beginning with Ms. Ikeda's class. If the pilot goes well, more classes may have the opportunity to participate.
- Exploring the idea of creating a school community quilt.
- Shared that TLQC will be donating \$200 to a local school and is asking how the funds could be used. (Rylie suggested a community soup day)

Meagan C.:

- Asked about reversing the lunch and recess schedule, allowing students to have outdoor play first, with the hope that they may be more ready to sit and eat afterward.
- Tony will bring the idea to staff and consider a trial run in the spring.

4. BUDGET REPORT - Farjana

- Income and Expenditures review
 - Motion to approve budget made by Tracy, seconded by Rylie. Budget approved
- Purdy's totals : Product Total: \$2762.25 Profit: \$725.09
- Fall Spiritwear Campaign:
 - Profit \$443.78
 - Purchased spiritwear inventory \$530
 - Difference of \$86.22 owing
- Staff room Teachers' Wishlist has been mostly fulfilled. Kathy will continue to source remaining items (including three more counting block sets). (\$88 remaining)
 - Jennifer F.: Can teachers provide a list of needed supplies to parents?

- Parents can request a list, or Amazon wishlist and circulate within Class Chat.
 - Rosemary S.: Can we assign “homeroom parents”?
 - Previously we have assigned “admins” in Class Chats. Consider doing that again.
 - Meagan C.: Can we top up the school fee from \$35 to \$40?
 - School fees cannot be increased as it is determined by the district. \$1000 of unpaid school fees this year. Donations can be made through School Cash Online. \$20+ receives a tax receipt
 - Rylie G.: Some requests have come “as items to be shared”. How do teachers share supplies?
 - Items can be borrowed from one classroom to another.
- Other requests, beyond the \$500 wishlist can be purchased with “Special Project Funds”.
 - Art supply room: to be discussed in the new year.
- MunchaLunch:
 - Etransfer would streamline paying vendors. The current PAC bank account does not allow this. Kathy and Anne will look into our options. Consider opening a separate account specifically for MuchaLunch that allows Etransfer.
 - If your student is absent, please call the school to inform what to do with their lunch (pick up from the office or donate the meal)
 - An option to gift a meal has been added to each menu. These funds will be used for a soup day for all students in the new year.
 - Rylie & Cristina are evaluating changes to current vendors (Yummy Slice for pasta instead of Boston Pizza).
 - Sushi has been requested to be offered more often. We face a 5% price increase for sushi. Seeking alternate sushi vendors.
- SPECIAL PROJECTS VOTE!
 - Mike’s Critters: Melissa (Approximately \$850 for four 1hr sessions)
 - APPROVED
 - Rocks & Rings (Curling): Rylie (Approximately \$285/day- 7-9 sessions per day. Offer two days)
 - APPROVED
 - Butterfly Hatching Program: Rylie (approx \$200 for materials)
 - APPROVED for up to \$400 for the purchase of 2-3 kits. Rylie will continue to discuss feasibility with Tony. To be reviewed in the new year.
 - Askable Adult (Shift Education): Cristina (approx \$600 for 2.5hr evening workshop for parents and caregivers). Table it for now. Cristina will gather more information about content, inquiry about availability, and consider pairing with another school. To be reviewed in the new year.
 - Debbie’s Glass Studio: Annie (approx \$18/student: 1 hour sessions/class). Approx cost is 4,6k for the school. Not approved for the whole school—cost is too high. Discuss if some teachers are interested in this option for their class as a parent paid project.

5. Pancake Breakfast Dec 11

- Kathy has donated a new batter dispenser. Thank you Kathy!
- Jen and Rylie have acquired the majority of supplies - Tracy will review
- Effort will made to track supplies (cutlery/plates/cups) so we know what is needed in coming years
- Cristina sourced 12 black aprons for volunteers - Thank you Cristina!
- Additional volunteers may be needed.
- Tim B., Aaron N., Mike C. will cook pancakes again (arrive at 6:45a)
- Carey to oversee drink station
- Additional volunteers are still needed
- Jen has secured the large Blackstone
- Tracy, Jennifer, and Rosemary have small grills, if needed
- Tracy will supply two warming trays to be used with power supply from Danny.

6. Winter Cafe (Dec 18th) during Hip Hop Show

This topic was not discussed due to time limits. Planning will continue in the WhatsApp chat.

- Hot Chocolate/Cider/Coffee (Carey)
- Crafts- (Kathy, Chantelle, Annie & Jeff)
- Ensure adequate cash float available (2 floats-\$100 each)
- Will have spirit wear in person to sell
- Bake Sale Donations Flyer date?
- Wine Pull Donations Flyer date?

7. December Events

- December 4th: Choir Performance in Gym @ 4pm
- December 6th: Choir Caroling for South Granville Business Improvement Assoc.
- December 11th: Community Choir GF Strong Rehabilitation Hospital @ 6pm-7:30pm
- December 11th: Pancake Breakfast
- December 17th: First Learning Update Going Home
- December 18th: Hip Hop Performance
 - 1:30pm Afternoon Performance
 - 6:15pm Evening Performance
- December 18th: Winter Cafe 5pm-7pm
- December 19th: Last Day of Fall Instruction
- December 20th: January 4th Winter Break
- January 5th, 2026: First Day of Spring Instruction

Meeting adjourned 8:10pm

Next meeting: January 13, 2026