

**RC Garnett Demonstration Elementary School  
Parents' Advisory Council General Meeting  
Minutes of the Meeting for February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

*We acknowledge the unceded traditional territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Semiahmoo and Matsqui First Nations on which we work, play and learn.*

<b>Attendees</b>	
Christie Salter	Vice president
Reeta Shandril	Past President
Natalie Nandan	President
Greg Bergerman	Secretary
Andrei Chaplygin	Treasurer
Cristine Wozney	Vice Principal
Claire Burns	Principal
Ashely Lindbo	Mal
Paula Harling	Mal
Chad Ludbrook	Social Media
	Mal -Hot Lunch
<b>Regrets</b>	
Kat Chillibeck	Mal

<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions (Natalie Nandan)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Approval of Agenda</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Motion:</b> to approve the agenda for February 17th, 2026 Motion : Ashley Second : Greg Oppose : None</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Approval of Previous Minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Motion:</b> to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026</li> <li>• Motion: Natalie</li> <li>• Second: Christie</li> <li>• Oppose: None</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report (Andrei Chaplygin)</b> Gaming Account Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Breakfast was the only expense, spent less than expected, Pac has 200\$ remaining in the account</li> </ul> General Account <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purdy's fundraising brought in 700\$ less than expected</li> <li>• Spent less than expected this month</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bouncy Castle deposit has been given and is likely to be approved at the district level for insurance purposes. Budget was increased to 5500\$</li> <li>• Kite day budget was approved at 650\$ for this month</li> <li>• Pac General account remains healthy</li> </ul> <p>Motion to Approved the 2 Budgets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion: Christie</li> <li>• Second: Ashley</li> <li>• Oppose: None</li> </ul>
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Principal’s Report (Ms. Burns)</b></p> <p>Math Festival</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Classes participated, funds raised during the festival will pay for it again next year.</li> <li>• Grade 5 students return in the evening to help facilitate, there was a good turn out in the evening session with many parents and Grandparents returning to see what the kids were up to.</li> </ul> <p>Sensory Wall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The wall has arrived and is waiting to be installed in the west Atrium under the far windows.</li> </ul> <p>Winter Olympics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RCG Staff Torch relay, lots of different activities for the students to participate in to help foster the camaraderie, togetherness, and sportsmanship of the Olympics.</li> <li>• Students have been making morning announcements and that has been well received.</li> <li>• Torch is in the office for everyone to celebrate and enjoy</li> </ul> <p>School goals (human and social development)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase positive student peer connections through the development of social problem-solving skills and fostering an increased sense of student self-worth</li> <li>• Student leadership opportunity: PA announcements, outdoor equipment wagons, kindergarten class monitoring, hot lunch responsibilities Grade 5 and some Grade 4 have been doing the leadership and have been going into kindergarten classes this aspect has been going well, and the students are doing a really good job.</li> <li>• Grade 5 Basketball: connection belonging and pride.</li> </ul> <p>Principals of Learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More discussions are happening in the school around racism, and the increased racism that is happening around the community, and students are normalizing the lingo they are hearing in music, videogames, and movies. Staff are having more discussions with students around racism, and holding children accountable for their actions and behavior</li> <li>• Staff have been following guidelines put out by the district on the topic of Racism and are also using literature as a medium to deliver appropriate content for students around the topic of racism.</li> <li>• Watched the Video: Safe, Caring &amp; inclusive Schools off the Erase website: <a href="#">Erase Website</a> <a href="#">Video LINK</a></li> <li>• The school has booked Chantelle Nascimento over zoom for a discussion around Racism for Staff and RCG Parents. The Zoom presentation will be held Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. Her Talk will explore how we can engage children in meaningful conversations about anti-racism <a href="#">More about Chantelle</a> <a href="#">Zoom Link</a> Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Munch A Lunch Report (Chad Ludbrook)</b></p> <p>Motion to pass 800\$ for Costco (spread into 2 400\$ purchases)</p> <p>Motion: Chad Second: Ashley Oppose: None</p> <p>Motion to pass Popeyes for 4000\$</p> <p>Motion: Andrei Second: Greg Oppose: None</p> <p>Motion to pass Munch a Lunch 4000\$</p> <p>Motion: Natalie Second: Chad</p>

	<p>Oppose: None                  Chad wanted to talk about the Grade 5s and 4s delivering the Hot lunches to the school. He was not allowed as Mrs. Burns had already covered this topic and he missed it. (see Principal's Report)</p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>DPAC Report</b>                  Still no DPAC rep, we will need to advertise for next year.</p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Old Business</b>                  Idea to have food (Pizza)served at PAC meetings to encourage parents to attend more frequently.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion ended with although it's a good thought, it likely will not result in an increase in PAC participation.</li> </ul> <p>Update on YEE: Chad was to investigate bouncy Castle options, this was done through the PAC's Whatsapp group chat, there was an approval for additional funds. See screen shot on next page.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deposit has been paid for Bouncy castles</li> </ul> <p>Discussion around YEE status.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donation letter needs to go out, and be given to Mrs. Bradford</li> <li>• Christine has been sending out Donation letters to potential providers                      PAC has a google doc for a list of potential donars.</li> <li>• Mrs. Burns has ordered the tables and garbage cans.</li> <li>• Natalie to email Mountain for volunteers for the YEE.</li> </ul> <p>Additional funds for the library were Tabled for next time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Library feels supported and no longer requires funds at this time.</li> </ul>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>New Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Position for Next year that needs filling                      DPAC</li> </ul>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Next Meeting Date</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026</b></li> </ul>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Adjournment</b>                  The Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM</p>