

**RC Garnett Demonstration Elementary School
Parents' Advisory Council General Meeting
Minutes of the Meeting for September 15th, 2026**

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

Attendees	
Natie Nandan Chad Ludbrook Greg Bergerman Andre Chaplygin Claire Burns Ashley Lindbo Nadia Toews Kat Chillibeck Jen Chichosz Shelby Meyer-Humphrey Reena Yadai Rozina Chaube Aisha Rashid Jasmine Marcelo Jessica Evangelista	
Regrets	
Christie Salter Desiree Cabalfin	

1	Welcome and Introductions (Natalie Nandan)
2	Approval of Agenda Motion: approve the agenda for regular meeting September 15th, 2026 Motion: Natalie Second: Ashley Oppose: None
3	Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes Motion: to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting May 18th, 2026 Motion: Natalie Second: Greg Oppose: None

4	Treasurer's Report (Andrei Chaplygin) • Review of the General and Gaming Budgets. Andre was cutting budget lines like they were going out of style. Lines were dropped; lines were added and everyone had a good time adjusting the budget. Mrs. Burns discovered some money that was allocated but not spent and there was much rejoicing! • Motion: Chad • Second: Greg • Oppose: None Gaming Budget • Motion to approve an increase in Fieldtrip budget for more buses • Motion: Andre • Second: Ashley • Oppose: None
5	Principal's Report (Ms. Burns) • Thank you for the Welcome back coffee, and organizing Freezie Friday, and the Hot lunch program that are well on the way. • 639 Students with 2 spots left available, 90 staff, and 27 divisions for 2026-2027. Staff in the district are hard at work balancing school numbers and ensuring there is place for all the kids in the area whether they end up at RCG or a different elementary. • The first week of school was great, students spent their time exploring classrooms and getting to know each other. • The north side of the schoolwork has begun to add gravel and proper drainage to help fix the flooding issue that occurs during the rainy months of the year. • The Swings arrived and were set up on time for the first day of school. • Looking forward to... Settling into new routines and a calm learning environment Meet the teacher open house: Wednesday Sept. 23rd 5:00-6:00PM Tery fox assembly and run Thursday 24th 11:30-1:30 Truth and reconciliation learning September 29th Cross-country running team Grades 4&5 Mondays 2:45-3:15 First Hot lunch Tuesday Oct 6th • Questions from Claire? Storage Room in the Gym. The mice issue has increased. The school's response has been to increase janitorial staff, and ensure the school is unfriendly to rodents. The Pac room has been identified as a mice friendly area and should be cleaned out and reorganized as soon as possible. PAC scheduled Saturday September 26th at 9am to come in and clean the room. Spirit wear sales if the PAC is going to do it again. Reeta and Natalie did it last year. Natalie will email MVP for information Kat offered to help.
6	Hot Lunch Update • Munch a lunch revamped their website and will take some time to figure out the new format. The website for the school should be ready this week for Parents to begin ordering lunches. It will be done in 2 sections September-January and February to June

7	Old Business There was no old business to discuss.
8	New Business - Discussion around Community Values booklets. 625 books, every student will get one book to use as a sample. Books will be purchased on the Munch-a-Lunch website, and order forms that the students will have. Students can earn rewards through an incentive program. The class primary and intermediate that sell the most will also receive a pizza party. - PAC Positions that need to be replaced: PAC Fundraising Position Shelby has stepped forward to take on the position PAC President needs to be filled as Natalie will be stepping down PAC Vice President also needs to be filled as Christie is leaving and this is her last year with kids in the school - Halloween Dance. There was a question about keeping the food trucks available for the dance. Historically food trucks haven't made the PAC a lot of money. Kona ice was discussed and there was a decision to not have them return for the Halloween dance due to the season (being colder) and how messy it is for the kids. It was determined that having a food option is ideal, and Kat will book a food truck for the evening. Discussion to ensure there is a sensory friendly time at the beginning of the dance ensure the dance is inclusive to everyone. - Discussion about the Mice problem and how the PAC can assist with the materials that were destroyed during the summer. Pac discussed creating a new budget of 1500\$ to help support teachers who lost items over the summer Motion to Create Rodent Control budget line for 1500\$ Motion: Andre Second: Natalie Oppose: None
9	Next Meeting Date October 20th, 2026
9	Adjournment The Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM