



Glenmore Elementary School Parent Advisory Council Meeting

Date: February 23, 2026

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Glenmore Elementary School

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order:** Alex Vigue, PAC President
 - a. 11 present (see in separate document)
- 2. Land Acknowledgement:** Alex Vigue, PAC President
 - a. We acknowledge that we are on the traditional and unceded territory of the Syilx Okanagan Peoples. We are honoured to live, work, and play on this land, and be in relation with people from across all traditional and unceded territories. In this space we are committed to ongoing healing, reconciliation, decolonization, and fostering relationships within our communities. We express gratitude to all the knowledge keepers who have kept this land for so many generations, and we wish to learn from their wisdom to be better stewards of their land.
- 3. Principal's Update:** Brady Ibbetson, GME Principal
 - a. Scholastic Book Fair was a big success – sold \$6,812 which means \$3,167 in Scholastic Dollars for the library and classrooms!
 - b. Plans for sandpit installation on our field are in the works - unsure whether they will be put in before track and field season because they are being installed at many schools across the District.
 - c. Getting another 4 new mobile goal posts.
 - d. Dr. Knox Middle School teachers and students have been coming to orient/welcome GME grade 6s. This has included introduction to the DRK band program.

- e. Feedback was provided to Mr. Ibbetson from parents to perhaps extend hours for student-led conferences (some parents felt it was hard to arrange conference times outside of work hours).
- f. Month of Love financial totals will be coming soon, but was very successful and there was huge support for our GME family.
 - i. Mr. Ibbetson did receive an email from a parent(s) that Month of Love feels competitive for some students because amounts of donations were originally shared over morning announcements (making some students feel they didn't give enough); once this feedback was received it was only the sacrifice that was announced (eg. XX gave up cookies).
 - 1. Admin is considering removing donation amounts from hearts next year.

4. Guest Speaker: None

5. PAC Financial Updates: Kellie Garcia, PAC Treasurer

- a. Discussion of selling Spiritwear at Family Fun Night - preferred method would be cash as it's the easiest to manage
 - i. There is hesitation to open a "Square" account due to ongoing fees etc.
- b. Paulyn Chau hoping to take over treasurer position for 2026-2027 school year (will put her name forward at May AGM)
- c. Financial plans available for more detail, contact gmepac@gmail.com

6. COBSS

- a. We currently have two awards for \$1,000. Do we want to continue with this, combine and offer one award at \$2,000 or adjust differently?
 - i. Discussion deferred

7. Committee Updates

- a. **Fun Lunch:** Alyssa Fulkerson & Tara Nolan, Co-Leads
 - i. Call for two leads for Fun Lunch for the next school year - one to focus on vendors/"behind the scenes" work and another to coordinate volunteers.
 - ii. Working with Samosa Place to decrease spice levels; if they don't succeed, will likely be removed from monthly rotation
 - iii. Every last order of the month there is a Kernels Popcorn sale, with proceeds going to Grade 6

- iv. Still short on volunteers on most days - very frustrating
 - 1. Continue to work on creating a list of volunteers that we can reach out to directly
 - 2. Start a calendar sign up during PAC meeting with fun lunch dates
- v. Alyssa will still be working on the backend thru April, and will return on-site for the end of the year. Will no longer have children at GME starting September 2026.
- vi. Consider changing Fun Lunch days next year if it would help with volunteer recruitment
 - 1. May poll parents to find out what days would be easiest for majority to volunteer, and what days majority prefer to have food provided for their child(ren)
- vii. Difficulty with SOS mail chimp as parents show up without signing up on website, causing too many people turn up (and subsequent volunteer frustration that there are too many volunteers present and they are not needed)
 - 1. Try to encourage all volunteer to register on website
 - 2. If website volunteer sign up can't be fixed, consider using Sign Up Genius as an alternate system
- b. **COPAC:** Alyssa Fulkerson, PAC Representative
 - i. New representative needed for this role
 - ii. Reminder to register for the upcoming Parent Conference on Saturday February 28. The registration link was circulated broadly to all district families yesterday and is also included below. I have also attached the event poster for your reference. Please note that there is limited space and registration will close once we reach our limit or after the February 18 Registration cutoff. Registration is filling quickly. We will have a waitlist available after registration closes.
 - iii. Parent Conference registration: Families as Partners in Learning 2026 COPAC Parent & Caregiver Conference – Fill out form
 - iv. Finally, please take a few minutes to encourage families in your school community to complete the SD23 budget survey before the March 4 deadline. Your input is important and appreciated.

- v. SD23 budget survey:
<https://www.sd23.bc.ca/news/2026-2027-budget-presentation-20260120212902>
- vi. Reminder: March COPAC meeting will be back to our usual time of 7pm on March 2.
- c. **Santa's Workshop:** Kath Charlton, Lead
 - i. [Survey results](#)
 - ii. 69 responses and 65 of those wish to see the event again! Varied opinions on how to improve event.
 - iii. Considering doing collection during spring rather than leading up to holidays
 - 1. Researched storage containers and they are roughly \$80/month, wondering if someone would sponsor. Otherwise will try to make more space in the attic.
 - 2. Discussion leaned heavily towards to having Santa's Workshop separate from a new Christmas Craft Fair (had previously been suggested to combine these two events, but was decided they have very different intended audiences and goals)
- d. **Christmas Craft Fair:** Belinda Hardy, Lead (not present)
- e. **Footprint Days:** Joshua Peters, Lead (not present)
 - i. April Wed 15 & Fri 17, 2026
 - ii. Discussion of having food trucks afterwards; voted not to do this in order to keep it simple, affordable, and easy for volunteers
- f. **Family Dance Committee:** Jay Petch & Jenna Jones, Co-Leads
 - i. May 8, 2026, 4:30-6, 6:30-8
 - ii. Vote for theme: Outerspace vs Tropical Lua – Outerspace won!
 - iii. Pre-orders only of whole pizzas.
 - 1. Will be easy to write a family name on the pizza box if the family shows up late for pick up.
 - iv. Concession: kernels, chips, candy bags (no gum).
- g. **Spirit Wear:** Roni Pullen, Lead
 - i. <https://bcsportswear.tuosystems.com/stores/glenmore2026>
 - ii. BC Sportswear recommends not re-opening the sale this year; we can keep it open longer next year.
 - iii. Sold 53 orders to date.

- iv. Discussion of selling Spiritwear at Family Fun Night - preferred method would be cash as it's the easiest to manage
 - 1. There is hesitation to open a "Square" account due to ongoing fees etc.
 - 2. Consideration of how much spiritwear to have on hand for FFN; Mr. Ibbeston suggested having samples at a table, but then people could order what they want (via google form etc) and we would then place a bulk order directly with BC Sportswear (ie people "place order" at FFN and are given a week to bring cash to the school)
 - a. Suggestion brought forward to have all samples in black to make easier re-sale if needed
- h. **Staff, Teacher, Admin Days & Lunch:** Malindi Elmore, Lead (not present)
 - i. Admin Appreciation Day is Wed, April 22nd
 - ii. Staff Appreciation Lunch - date TBD
- i. **Olympic Grant:** Malindi Elmore, Lead (not present - update provided to Alex Vigue)
 - i. Did contact Mr. Mac but no specific needs so didn't submit an application. Will reconsider next year.
- j. **Family Fun Night:** Meghan Muhle & Roni Pullen, Co-Leads
 - i. June 5, 2026
 - ii. Fit Ninja and Just4Fun booked, with other vendors and participants contacted and waiting for confirmations.
 - iii. Considering using parent volunteers vs DRK students.
 - iv. Budget is \$3000, and have already spent that – will likely need to increase budget and will need approval at next meeting
- k. **Social Media Communication:** Paulyn, Lead

8. Scheduling for September - December

- a. [PAC Annual Calendar](#)
- b. Specifically looking at Christmas Craft Fair, Santa's Workshop, and Book Swap
 - i. Book swap moved to October; Xmas Craft Fair and Santa's Workshop TBD

9. Fundraising

- a. Easy Give Fundraiser

10.PAC 360: *A time for any questions, concerns, feedback, and input.*

- a. Parent asked Alex re: crossing guards; Mr. Ibbetson reported that in the past, volunteer students/parents got so much verbal abuse that program stopped
 - i. Another concern is distance away from school
 - ii. Would have to be run by parents and students, which becomes another volunteer issue

11.Adjournment & Pub

- a. 8 pm