



**Principal- Rebecca Jutzi**



**Chair - Julie**  
**Treasurer - Bethany**  
**Secretary - Lauren**

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**2025-2026 Sheppard Public School Parent Council  
Meeting Agenda - Monday, November 24, 6:00pm**

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**1. Welcome and Update (6:00)**

- **Thanks to Sarah Yardley for insurance setup.**
- **Clothing swap was very successful; plan to coordinate with Suddaby in October next year.**

**Action Item: Follow up with Suddaby in October 2026 to align clothing swap dates.**

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**2. Principal Update (6:10)**

- **Superintendent visit and student reading.**
- **Walk for Wenjack, food drive, weekly updates.**
- **“Trashin Show” by Green Team (aiming for Platinum Eco School).**
- **Remembrance Day celebration in French and English.**
- **GSA and Black Student Union established.**
- **Anti-Black Racism initiative underway (Equity Officer assessment).**
- **EA staffing reduced (5 → 4 full-time).**
- **Staff PD focus: literacy & math; goal for all students reading by end of Grade 2.**
- **Progress reports distributed.**
- **Upcoming events:**

- **Snow Show – Dec 10 (Kindergarten), Dec 11**
- **Holiday assembly.**
- **Clothing swap donations: 15 snowsuits/boots via Weffy Foundation.**
- **Bus evacuation drill scheduled.**

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### **3. Finance Update**

- **Approximate balance: \$18,000.**
- **Insurance cost increased to \$1,800 (new board policy).**

#### **Voting Decisions (all unanimous):**

- **\$3,400 approved for class field trips (\$200 per class).**
- **\$1,000 approved a general bucket for teachers to supplement field trip costs.**
- **\$1,000 approved donation to *Food for Kids* from December Rangers parking fundraiser proceeds.**

#### **Action Items:**

- **Confirm insurance requirements for after-hours activities.**
- **Investigate whether Rangers parking donations can be directed to Sheppard's Nutrition for Learning.**

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### **4. The Smartphone Effect – Speaker Event (6:30)**

- **Scheduled: Thursday, January 22, Dr. Alison Yeung.**
- **Potential invites: Suddaby, St. Ann's, Smithson, Stanley Park, Sunnyside.**
- **90-minute talk, childcare planned.**
- **Donations and door prizes to be solicited.**
- **Streaming option to be explored.**

#### **Action Items:**

- **Draft and send donation request letters.**
- **Confirm childcare arrangements.**
- **Explore streaming/access options.**
- **Clarify which schools will be invited.**

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## 5. Kids Craft Show (6:40)

- Scheduled: December 16 in gym, after school hours.
- Advertising method to be confirmed.
- Consider moving event to spring.

Action Item: Tiffany and Rebecca to follow up on advertising.

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## 6. Screen Time in Classrooms (6:45)

- Discussion on criteria for video use.
- No specific board criteria; educational component emphasized.
- PBS often used; commitment not to use YouTube with ads.
- Suggestion to compile list of good resources.

Action Item: Compile and share list of recommended digital resources.

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## 7. Teacher Resources (6:55)

- Discussion on resources to limit open screen time.

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## 8. Activities Brainstorm (7:00)

- Speaker series (Smartphone Effect, CEMC math/science).
- Fun Fair – expand with dedicated committee.
- Community events: museum night, math/science nights, movie night.
- Student voice initiatives.
- Community safety – Weber St crossing.

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## 9. Other Items (7:15)

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 **Summary of Decisions:**

- **\$3,400 approved for class field trips (\$200 per class).**
- **\$1,000 approved as generally available for any class needing extra funds for field trips.**
- **\$1,000 approved donation to Food for Kids.**

## Key Action Items:

- Follow up with Suddaby re clothing swap timing.
- Confirm insurance requirements for after-hours activities.
- Investigate Rangers parking donation allocation.
- Draft donation request letters for Smartphone Effect event.
- Confirm childcare and streaming options for Smartphone Effect event.
- Tiffany & Rebecca to finalize advertising for Kids Craft Show.
- Compile list of recommended classroom digital resources.

**Future meeting dates:** January 19, 2026  
March 30, 2026  
May 25, 2026