

## **Doncaster PAC – March 2026 General Meeting Agenda**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 3, 2026

**Time:** 6:45 pm

**Location:** École Doncaster School Library

**Chair:** Laura Mercer

Attendance:

Laura Mercer	Evelyn Gregory	Heather McNally
Warren Weicker	Olivia Furlong	Nicole Laird
Alicia Rippingon	Mikyla Zolpys	Anthony Kennedy
Dan Perrakis	Julia Mullins	Brendan Berbenuik

Staff: Sanjiv Galhon, Lisa Taylor

### **1. Call to Order & Welcome**

- Meeting opened by Laura at 6:50 pm

### **2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories**

### **3. Verification of Quorum** (minimum of 10 members)

- 11 members in attendance at the beginning of the meeting, quorum met

### **4. Approval of Agenda**

- a. Proposed Motion: That the Tuesday February 3rd, 2026 agenda be approved.

MOVED by Alicia, seconded by Mikyla

### **5. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Proposed Motion: That the Tuesday March 3rd, 2026 minutes be approved.

MOVED by Mikyla, seconded by Warren

### **6. Old Business**

- a. Family Bingo Night (Fri Feb 6) recap (Warren)

- \$552.73 profit
- Positive experience using Reynolds student volunteers; possibly pair some positions with an adult for future events
- First year preselling dinner went well
- ACTION ITEM: Check the bingo balls for all numbers/duplicates

### **7. Ongoing Business**

- a. Springtime Easter Purdys Fundraiser recap (Laura)

- \$246.36 profit; will be distributed next week
- b. NatureScape Playground Update – option for rock installation quote (Laura)**
  - Quote 18-20K- district will not use wood features anymore so we were presented with a rock structure playground option(more durable)
  - The deadline to put the ticket into the district is the end of March 2026 for work within this school year. All tickets afterwards are completed in the following school year (2026/2027).
  - Need more information about this rock structure playground- Mr. Galhon will follow up
  - Playground Committee to help organize some movement- Dan and Evelyn
  - Interest to look into drainage for the field, Mr. Galhon will follow up with district for information
- c. Road Safety Committee Update (Dustin via Laura)**
  - Ready set roll application sent (Doncaster participated in 2017)
  - The outcome of the application will be known by April.
  - If accepted, some sustainable commuting, small events etc
  - Olivia's husband volunteered to help Dustin with this initiative

## **8. New Business**

- a. Passive fundraiser via PedalHeads (promo code) (Laura)**
  - Promo code for the fundraiser can be used by June 30. Code will get the participant \$25 dollars off which PAC receives.
- b. Spring Family Movie Night – Thurs March 12 at 6 pm**
  - 2 movies will be held at the same time- one in the library for smaller kids (shorter, gentler movie); second in the gym for older children.
  - Parent volunteer needed to help run a movie
- c. AGM planning (Tuesday April 7) & Call for Nominations (Laura)**
  - Formal call for nominations for all positions
  - Elect next year's executive
  - Treasurer report
  - Vote through the constitution and bylaws
- d. Garden Work Party: Saturday April 11 (Time TBD)**
  - poster coming out soon with details
- e. Parent Education Night "Supporting Children with Anxiety": Wed April 22 at 7-8 pm Doncaster Gym (Mikyla)**

- Theresa Jackson presenting free workshop
- Extend the invite to other schools (elementary level schools)
- f. Doncaster 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Yard Sale: Sat May 23 at 10 – 2 pm (Oona via Laura)
  - Only yard sale this year, no block party language to simplify the event
  - Tables will be rented through hot lunch site
  - Candy Time Food truck; will welcome grade 5's to do a fundraiser
  - Potential to ask Reynolds student volunteers to do face painting
  - Bathroom use an issue last year- cost of \$176 for custodian during the event for use of a school washroom

MOTIONED by Laura, all in favour. CARRIED

  - Should we do a donation table? Money would go to PAC?

ACTION ITEM: Bring topic up at the AGM
- g. Ready Set Kidz (aka Home Alone Course) (Laura)
  - On hold for now- move to next year
- h. End-of-Year BBQ: Thursday June 18 at 5-7 pm – book bouncy castles & CandyTime? (Laura)
  - Bouncy castle in recent budgets wasn't written as an expense (about \$1500)
  - Need to be voted on (as over \$500)
  - MOTIONED by Laura, all in favour (cost up to \$1500), CARRIED to book bouncy castles
  - Decided to not have Candy Time at event and make our own popcorn and cotton candy and sell for a profit

## 9. Principal's Update (Sanjiv G.)

- a. Reporting for 2026/27 school year
  - 3 formal reporting every year
  - 2 informal reporting- eg.parent teacher interview (fall), student led conferences (spring); input about if we should keep these the same or change them?
  - Other options- phone call, email, portfolio entry
  - Group consensus- keep as is, opportunity to go to the school for student led conferences is important
- b. Gymnasium AV System upgrade proposal
  - lots of wires across the gym floor during assemblies, old projector

- Roughly 20-30K to upgrade - mount projector, wiring, speakers, new rectangular screen, hide wires etc.; project would go through the district, no other quotes.
  - Ticket needs to be in by the end of March. If we defer, it will be done during next school year.
  - Can we put in a ticket now and pull it afterwards without penalty? Need time to decide on a large project like this
- c. Parent question: School safety/access question: are card swipes feasible?
- All exterior doors are locked other than the front door.
  - There will possibly be a fob for staff to help with criss cross doors.
- d. Principal Question: Should the PAC meeting line up with the staff meeting next year?
- Staff meeting and PAc meeting on same day- 2nd Wednesday of every month
  - ACTION ITEM: Talk about at the AGM

**10. Adjournment (planned for 8:00 pm) 8:33pm done**