Parent Council | Meeting Minutes

Falgarwood Public School • November 2, 2026

Prepared from meeting notes for circulation. Attendance, meeting time and formal motion details were not provided.

1. Literacy and Psychology Consultation Pilot

Falgarwood is hosting a pilot with the Halton District School Board psychology department to provide earlier, classroom-level support rather than relying solely on individual assessments.

- Psychology consultants and teachers will review anonymous K–8 classroom benchmark data, without sharing student names, and identify immediate strategies for attention, memory and processing.
- Benchmark results and small-group progress monitoring in literacy and mathematics will inform the work. Early literacy, particularly Grade 1 scores gathered early in the year, remains an area of concern; Grade 2 results appear stronger. Province-wide post-COVID learning declines were also acknowledged.
- Any individual student follow-up will use the usual parent meeting and student-file procedures. Families will receive a letter when consultants begin reviewing their classroom's data.
- The pilot was initially planned for one year; an extension to two years is being pursued given the scope.

2. Athletics Equipment Requests

Universal team jerseys

- Kyle (Physical Education) requested 40 versatile jerseys, comprising 20 boys' and 20 girls' jerseys, to support sports beyond basketball. The girls' supply is down to approximately 10 jerseys; soccer teams may need up to 18 per set.
- Three vendors were compared, with quotes within approximately $10 per jersey. The quoted ceiling is $79.50 per jersey, approximately $3,600 including tax. Negotiation with the spirit-wear vendor may reduce the price because the school logo is already on file.
- Missing jerseys, especially after year-end soccer tournaments and Grade 8 graduation, remain a concern despite an existing tracking process.

Decision: Purchase approved unanimously, subject to vendor negotiation.

Permanent schoolyard volleyball net

- Following removal of soccer nets during city field regrassing, a permanent set of volleyball posts was proposed nearer the city fence. The school board is not replacing the soccer nets, favouring multiple smaller games.
- Students currently play over a black fence. A comparable installation at Harvest Oak received positive staff feedback. The proposed posts would be cemented in and remain year-round; the net (approximately $160) could be removed over summer.
- The tendered-vendor quote is $3,160, reflecting installation labour. A dedicated volleyball area may also reduce collisions between games and related first-aid incidents.

Decision: Installation approved unanimously. Combined approved equipment expenditure is approximately $6,760.

3. Council Finances and Halloween Dance

- Reported council balance: $19,844. Reported fundraising figures: pizza $14,081; Subway $5,134; fun fair $781; Lunchbox approximately $481. These figures were presented as reported and are not reconciled here to the overall balance.
- Approximately $7,000 was reported as committed, including an estimated $3,500 in approvals discussed at the meeting. This commitment estimate should be reconciled with the separately reported equipment approvals of approximately $6,760. The first pizza-lunch ordering window remains open and additional fundraisers are planned.
- Halloween dance tuck-shop proceeds totalled $973. Council approved allocating the full $973 to Ambassador graduation.
- The Halloween dance ran smoothly, with no incidents reported. Music was managed through Spotify using mostly clean/radio versions; one unsuitable track was stopped promptly.
- Student Ambassadors operated the tuck shop independently and reliably, including guided entry, crowd flow and price explanations. All scheduled shifts were covered.

4. Upcoming Fundraisers and School Events

Food drive

- Target dates are the final two weeks of November, with collection in the first week of December, pending confirmation from Stephen (taking over from Mukand).
- The winning class will receive a pizza party, with chips potentially added if surplus stock is available.
- Alex will confirm and provide dates for the school newsletter before Friday, November 6.

Hot chocolate and cookie sale

- Target: Thursday, December 10, during second nutrition break, paired with a school-wide pajama/cozy day.
- Large-capacity metal urns are being explored; will ask whether the temple can lend urns.
- Alex/Leanne will add the event to the school calendar. A second hot chocolate day may be considered in February with a Valentine's/kindness theme.

Kindness dance and other fundraising

- The kindness dance has moved to March to avoid the Ramadan fasting period in February. A silent disco using individual headphones is being explored to support students with sensory, sound-volume or seizure-related sensitivities, including CPP and kindergarten students.
- A Krispy Kreme fundraiser may run twice this year, following previous success and an approximately 50% margin.

5. Decisions and Approvals

- Unanimous approval: 40 universal jerseys, with an estimated maximum of approximately $3,600 including tax.
- Unanimous approval: permanent schoolyard volleyball installation, quoted at $3,160.
- Approval: allocate $973 in Halloween dance tuck-shop proceeds to Ambassador graduation.

6. Action Items

Action	Owner	Timing
Confirm food-drive dates with Stephen and send to newsletter	Alex	Before Fri., Nov. 6
Ask temple about lending large metal urns suitable for hot chocolate		Before Dec. 10
Add hot chocolate/cookie sale and pajama day to calendar	Alex/Leanne	Dec. 10 event
Review leftover Halloween stock after basketball tournament; clarify Costco returns	Lyndsay / Council	After Nov. 12
Negotiate jersey pricing and proceed with approved purchase	Kyle	Following approval

7. Items to Confirm

Before these minutes are formally adopted, council may wish to confirm the reported committed-funds total against the equipment approvals, and verify the event date of Wednesday, December 10 (December 10, 2026 falls on a Thursday).