

John Darling School Council Meeting
November 13 2025 – 6:30pm
(Meeting will be 1 to 1.5 hours as needed)
(In person meeting)
Agenda // Minutes

1. Getting Started (6:30pm)

- Approval of agenda
 - Holly motion to approve agenda, seconded by Danielle
 - Motion approved
- Approval of minutes for September meeting. (October meeting cancelled)
 - Laurie to resend Sept minutes with Nov minutes for approval in Dec

Discussion of meeting

- Shannon able to help with book fair, Waylan is on committee

2. Principal/Teacher Report(s)

- Terry Fox >\$1800
 - Extra 20 min outside
 - Glow Party
- Outdoor classroom - request to have paths paved
- Outdoor enhancements - working on getting 4 basketball nets, slowly progressing
- The Let Grow Experience - Tree in Office
- Saying Hello in languages spoken by our students
- Scientist in the Classroom
- Remembrance Day Assembly - Two armed forces personelle
- Winter Concert - Dec 11 at 1:30pm
 - School council volunteers to help with food drive, collection of lost and found items
 - James to send a dedicated School Day message about the date
- PD day Monday Nov 17
- Art Shines starts Monday December 1st

ACTION: James to share movie subscription with staff

3. Initiatives

Movie night(s) - [ACF-film.com](https://www.acf-film.com)

- Decision on movie - The Grinch (2018) or Lilo & Stitch (2025)
- James to enter Rental information
- Decide on Date - Nov 27th, 5:45 doors, movie at 6:15-8pm.
 - PJ party style?
 - Request only socked feet, put extra mats down in the hallway outside of the gym, request people leave boots and coats outside of the gym.
 - Encourage waterbottles.

- Float – Holly
- Tech – Waylan
- Buy snacks - Holly to look for candy at Costco
- Sell snacks – Danielle (popcorn pre-sold on school day, also available for purchase on the day)
- Greet – James, council
- Announcements & Communications - Laurie to connect with Sonya using our communications from last year, students must be accompanied by a responsible adult
 - Laurie to send James a blurb to include in the upcoming newsletter
 - Thinking of getting kids to vote (consider how to make it mathy)

Spring movie - Jazz it up with a cool name (Darlingfest replacement event)

- Date: May 28th
- Potential to be a bigger movie night - pizza, popcorn, candy, cotton candy

Fundraising

- Decide on fundraising for the year
 - Dominos in January (ahead of superbowl/family day)
- Book Fair - James to find out the dates
- Assign leads for fundraising

Events

- Decide on Events
- Assign leads for events
 - Consider for future: family craft night in December
 - June: invite families out to a chalk night - get kids to colour the front cobblestones

Other

- Spirit ware update (Laurie)
 - Connected with Civilian Screen Printing - they create a storefront for us, parents buy through that and money goes directly to them. Parents can get items shipped directly to them, or they'll come to the school.
- "Other" lunch options update
 - Lunch Pails - hot lunch company that will come at any interval, would want to do a trial with us
 - Does not require parent volunteers or admin
 - 5% of all sales come back to the school
 - A wide variety of options
 - Parents order directly from their website
 - They just require a table for sorting and we could get grade 6 runners (like we do for pizza)
 - Council agreed to a trial run to see uptake and feasibility, request they

come for first break (10:50 - 11:10am)

- Assign minute takers
 - Michelle to take notes at meetings
- Kindie Night (Cassandra & Danielle) - Early/Mid May
 - Books for the bags
 - Bags of popcorn on the way out
 - Invite incoming kids to the May movie night
- Grad Ceremony (Cassandra & Danielle) - June
 - Balloon arches

Ongoing

- Flipgive
 - Parents can use an app to spend money buying gift cards for things they'd be buying anyways (gas, groceries, etc.). Automatically comes off your credit card and send you an e-giftcard.
 - Advertise at movie nights - posters, a commercial before the movie
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- Mabels Labels
- Factory Shoe
 - For every pair of shoes purchased, get \$5 off if you show a card
 - Laurie to reach out to get more cards to give to students as a reminder

4. Treasurer's Report

- [JD Council Budget 24-26](#)

Adjourn Meeting (7:30pm)

Next Meetings (Subject to change)

Thursday (6:30-7:30)

Oct 9 – Minute taker -

Nov 13 – Minute taker -

Dec 11 – Minute taker-

Jan 8 – Minute taker-

Feb 12 – Minute taker-

Mar 12 – Minute taker-

Apr 9 – Minute taker -

May 14 – Minute taker-

Jun 11 – Minute taker