



Clemens Mill School Council Meeting Minutes Sep 23, 2026

ATTENDEES

(V = 2025/2026 voting member)

Robert Wilson - Principal Sandra Jovanovic - Vice-Principal Cheraine Serrador - Chair Bibi Corbeil - Teacher Rep
Vasco Serrador (V) Shannon Wall (V)
Vina Danger (V) Christine Dalsto (V)
Yvonne Baranski (V) Rene Corbeil (V)
Chantelle Tinnes (V) Ashley Church (V)
Salena Mather (V) Rhonda Chamberlain (V)
Zac Jones (V) Dipesh Patel (V)
Amanda Lee Gaganpreet Sawhney
Shana Jabeen John MacLachlan
Izaz Shah Chantel Tirbeni
Andrew Church Maham Asrar
Gulwinder Singh Sidhu Nicole Brooks

Regrets

Kim Fowler - Community Rep Carrie-Ann Delane - YMCA Rep Rebecca Goodard Stephanie MacLachlan (V)
Amy Ellison (V) Cindy Ma (V)

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Mr Wilson shared the territorial acknowledgment from the staff meeting. Included reference to a book "Braiding Sweetgrass" which talks about blending modern science and indigenous knowledge.
- Executive members of 2025/2026 introduced themselves. Of note:
 - Cheraine Serrador has stepped down as Chair.
- Voting members of 2025/2026 introduced themselves. Of note:

- Stephanie MacLachlan will no longer be able to attend. Her husband John will be attending instead.
 - Cindy Ma will no longer be attending as her kids have graduated.
- New attendees introduced themselves and advised if they wanted to be a voting member or a volunteer.

2. Budget 2025/2026

- Ending funds of \$46.0k.
- 2025/2026 year started with \$107k
 - New playground - \$62.4k outgoing
 - School Initiatives (approx 15) - \$33.1k outgoing
 - Bingo - \$14.9k net earnings
 - Pizza - \$17k net earnings
- 2026/2027 school year starts with \$46.0k.
- As agreed in last year's school council, funds are earmarked for an accessible playground.
- No outstanding balances from last year.
- New chairs / co-chairs will need to create a budget for this year.
- **Motion** to approve last year's budget, ending balance and earmark money for the accessible playground:
 - **10 YES, Motion PASSED** (voted on by 2025/2026 voting members)

3. Election - Voting Members

- School Council is an advisory role committee. Its aim is to improve student learning, achievement and well-being.
- 9-17 voting members are allowed.
- 22 people expressed interest in being voting members. 5 current voting members removed their name from the ballot resulting in 17 names. As this is within the allowed limit of voting members, no election needed to occur and all proposed voting members were approved.
- List of 2026/2-27 voting members:
 - Christine Dalsto - Dipesh Patel
 - Cherain Serrador - Rebecca Goddard
 - Rhonda Chamberlain - Shannon Wall
 - John MacLachlan - Rene Corbeil
 - Salena Mather - Vina Danger
 - Gulwinder Singh Sidhu - Nicole Brooks
 - Andrew Church - Maham Asrar
 - Chantel Tirbeni - Gagan Sawhney
 - Izaz Shah

4. Election - Executive

- Co-Chairs - Ashley Church and Chantelle Tinnes (no objections).
- Treasurer - Zac Jones to continue. Andrew Church offered support and they will meet offline to discuss.
- Secretary - Christine Dalsto to continue. Possibility of using AI to record meetings.
- Communications Officer - Rhonda Chamberlain will support Instagram and Chantelle Tinnes will support in-school communications.

5. Principal's Update

- School population decreased, currently 578 students (down from 630).
- The parking lot is looking better this year.
- Parent/Family handbook has been shared on School Day.
- Grade 5/6s will be trained next week for the walking train to walk kids to school.
- A more comprehensive update will be provided at the next council meeting.

6. Subcommittees

- School Council has a number of subcommittees. Mr. Wilson asks that each voting member looks at contributing to 1 or 2 subcommittees.
- Volunteers (non-voting members) are also encouraged to join any subcommittee.
- Subcommittees to be discussed and finalised at the October meeting.

7. Bingo

- Vasco Serrado stepping down as Bingo Chair and will train his replacement.
 - Potentially Bibi Corbeil will no longer be able to volunteer for bingo shifts.
- The school gets \$1.5k from every bingo shift we attend.
- Currently there are approx 20 people trained in bingo, very few actually volunteer.
 - If we are no longer able to meet the volunteer requirements, the school should consider stepping down from bingo. In the future, we can then apply again if we have more interest from volunteers.

8. Pizza Day

- Current whole pizza prices:
 - Cheese \$9.50 (up .50)
 - Pepperoni \$10.00 (up .50)
 - Gluten Free \$13.50 (no change)
 - Gluten Free / Dairy Free \$16.00 (potential new offer)
- More volunteers are needed for pizza. Ideally 3 volunteers per week. Hours are 12:40-2:10 every Wednesday starting in October.
- Shannon Wall proposes to reduce the cost of pizza from \$2.25 to \$2.00 per slice. The proposal will save money for families, and will bring pricing in line with other local schools. As there is no longer a playground to fundraise for, we don't need to collect extra money.

- Shannon Wall proposes that we offer a Gluten Free and Dairy Free pizza to allow dairy free children to be included in pizza day.

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- Mr. Wilson supports the proposals as it will make pizza more inclusive. ● **Motion** for pizza to be reduced to \$2.00 per slice and for a gluten free and dairy free pizza to be included in the pizza day offerings:

- **13 YES, Motion PASSED**

9. Meeting close

- Next meeting 14 October 2026.
- Mr. Wilson will send an invite link and reminders closer to the date.

