

**Immaculate Conception School
Parent Support Group Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2026**

Present: Kathleen Barth, Tonya Kruger, Chelsea Handford, Julia Good, Jerry Joseph, Krysta Dyle

Prayers and Welcome: T. Kruger

Adoption of December's Meeting Minutes:

- Adopted by Julia
- 2nd by Chelsea

Adoption of December Agenda:

- Adopted by Julia
- 2nd Chelsea

Reports & Updates

Principal's Report: K. Barth

- Please see the handout
- Our virtue this month is courage, and our Dakelh value is self identity
- The grade 5's led our School Mass on January 9, 2026
- Our grade 6 class will be leading our Virtue Assembly on January 21, 2026
- Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated during the first week of February this year with all Catholic schools in the province
- Our Spiritual Development Day will be on January 26, 2026
- We are hoping to allocate our kindergarten spots next week for the 2026-2027 school year. There are a lot of siblings starting kindergarten this year, so there will not be a lot of spots for brand new families
- Our reading month has kicked off; we have a big focus on literacy. We have targeted reading, having children reading literature at their level and/or grade. There is a big push during Catholic Schools Week encouraging reading at home and have students either reading with their parents or to their parents. We are looking to former alumni or parishioners or community members to come in share their love of reading and read their favorite storybook between February 2nd and 6th
- The basketball season has kicked off, and we have an amazing group of parents. Thank you to the parents who have offered to coach, volunteered to coach basketball for both the boys and girls teams. Ms. Ames will be the teacher in charge; she is setting up some games with other schools so the teams have more games to play. There are 23 boys in basketball, so we may need two teams

Treasurer's Report: J. Good

- YTD Financials
- We received the annual .68 of share interest
- The shares are updated in the account gaming

- For the 50/50, the winner will receive \$4,120
- Proceeds from the craft fair raffle were paid to us, deposited in the PGS gaming account
- The grades 5's, 6's and 7's who put on the raffle, the money went into the gaming account
- From the Craft Fair we had \$1,375 from tables that paid cash or with cheques from this year and next year, some from previous years, it was all lumped together
- There was a deposit of \$1,181.12 for the Art Cards
- PSG paid for the staff coffee
- There is one more classroom fund of \$200 that was cashed, there is 1 classroom that has not been cashed
- There was a service fee of \$2.00
- We are restocking expenses of roughly \$6,300 and we had an income of \$22,000 with all the Christmas orders etc.

Shopping Card Report: S. Roberge

- A special thank you to our large Christmas orders
 - Dr. Veselinovic
 - CIF Construction
 - Marmot Builders
 - Pharmasave Prince George
 - Sister Michaela
 - IDL Projects
- Thank you to the following places that offer large discounts
 - Earls Prince George
 - Art Knapps Prince George
- The value of the Shopping Card Program is \$29,049.57
- Lilli and Sarah will be selling Shopping Cards after Mass on Pancake Breakfast Days

Hot Lunch Report: A. Sarrazin

- Hot lunches have been a success and are doing well

Old Business

- 50/50 Raffle Ticket Winner – the deadline was on December 15, 2025. We will not be announcing the winners name, just the ticket number. Jerry consented to announcing the winning ticket number online

New Business

- Online Fundraiser Mom's Pantry
 - There are over 200 products to purchase and a range from cookies, spices, gravies, pizzas, soups, and gluten free products
 - Located out of Winnipeg, MB
 - This fundraiser looks simple, every little bit helps, it would be nice to fundraise \$500 to \$600
 - We will look at if the products would be delivered to the school
 - The profit margin was from 35% to 40% of all sales, this is a high margin

- Cookie Dough Fundraiser
 - We will look further into this
 - We have previously done a cookie dough fundraiser quite a few years ago
 - The cookie dough was delivered to the school, parents picked up their orders, the rest went into the freezer
 - It was an easy fundraiser
- Golf Fundraiser
 - Date: May 23. 2026
 - Location: Aberdeen Golf Course
 - A Sponsorship Letter will be available on the PSG Tab (IC School Website) by January 1, 2026 – We are looking to gain some sponsorships, we will fundraise sooner this year
 - We are planning the event earlier this year
 - The First Golf Committee meeting dates and location will be on January 19, 2026, at 7:00pm at Crossroads – Matt Handford, Matt Daigle, Angela Betz, Krysta Dyble are on the Committee
 - We are looking at involving the grade 7 students, a few at the first hole
 - Ticket prices are currently unknown

Playground Grants

- Chelsea will spearhead the playground grants and funds applications
- Would like the equipment to be within Canada, looking at inclusivity, a good price, we have reached out to a few places of companies that support schools and a rep will be contacting us in a few weeks
- We need to know the size, placement structure, using recycled products
- There are lots of grants that we can apply to
- The focus will be on inclusion and supporting students with varying needs within the school, and we will want to bring other parents into the conversation to support this initiative

Other

- Request from PSG to purchase a popcorn maker, to support any school fundraisers (movie nights, sports day, classroom events, craft fair etc.)
 - Commercial Popcorn Machine Costs
 - Vevor - \$512.99
 - Popcorn Machine - \$649.99
 - HTD Canada Popcorn Company - \$699.99
- 8 ounces of popcorn gives you 160 small bags within an hour
- The grade 7's will be doing a movie night and offered to bring in theatre popcorn
- We will put out a vote at some point to purchase a popcorn machine and see what other thoughts are
- We could look into using the gaming funds

- There was a motion to use the gaming funds to purchase a popcorn machine for various school functions with a maximum amount of \$800 – no one was opposed, all were in favor

Classroom Area Rug

- Mrs. Anderson, the kindergarten teacher is looking for a classroom area rug for her students when they are sitting in front of the whiteboard for their lessons. The students spend a lot of time there throughout the day
- There are 4 different styles and 4 different ranges including \$379.99, \$689. 29 from Scholars Choice, \$735, and \$759
- There was a suggestion to look at Costco's area rugs, which could be more cost effective
- Mrs. Kruger will connect with Mrs. Anderson about classroom area rugs and look at Costco online or at the store as another option
- We could use the \$200 classroom fund towards the area rug, we want to be mindful of supporting other classrooms too with their needs
- We will discuss classroom area rugs at the next PSG meeting

Next Meeting: February 11, 2026