



# GARDEN CREEK HOME AND SCHOOL

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Garden Creek School Library, 6:30 pm

### Attendees

1. Hilary Burt
2. David Dennis
3. Marcia Franklin
4. Carie Grant
5. Andy Han
6. Becca Hulse
7. Michelle Kimball
8. Nicki MacPherson
9. Emily Marion
10. Kymberley Gillett
11. Sarah Price
12. Christine Ritchie
13. Lily Smallwood
14. Hannah Steeves-Carney
15. Rebekah Thompson
16. Jennifer Ward

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Approved by Carie
- Seconded by Jen

### Financial Report (Jen)

- Nothing to report currently, as there have been no expenditures since the last meeting.

### Movie Night Recap (Carie)

- We have been discussing supporting the school by buying a cord for the streaming setup, ~\$400.
  - **Decision Made:** Yes, will purchase. Approved by Andy and seconded by Jen/Marcia.
- The Movie Night did not have the best behaviour from kids or adults. We sold all items at the canteen, though. We made approximately \$225 in donations and \$640 in canteen sales.
  - **Action Item:** Carie to reach out to Alex regarding behaviour and setting expectations.

## Scott's Fundraiser

- This is a good fundraiser for us, as people are usually going to buy these items (wreaths, etc.) anyway and we had great feedback on it last year, too. It's not limited just to Creeker parents and guardians either – grandparents and friends can buy as well.
- You make your purchase(s) on SchoolCashOnline and are then given coupons to redeem at Scott's Nursery before Christmas.

## Bazaar

- The Friday a week before the Bazaar, November 21<sup>st</sup>, we decorate for Christmas.
- The Friday Night before the Bazaar, November 28<sup>th</sup>, we set everything up.
- We sell activity tickets, and these give entry to a number of activities: Cookie Decorating, Fishpond, Reindeer Food, Facepainting, Cake Walk, Santa's Workshop, Photo Booth, etc.
- Santa's Workshop: Kids shop for parents and have their items wrapped. There's also a parent waiting room, with coffee and a donation bucket.
- The Theme Baskets are baskets of different sorts of items, 7 in total. We get donations from families and then make them into baskets, the info sheet went home in communication bags yesterday. Participants buy tickets for baskets and then we draw for the winners. The tickets can be purchased in advance on SchoolCashOnline (the baskets will be on display at the school) or at the event. Mrs. G handles the tracking of the SchoolCashOnline purchases.
- Each Activity Station Lead gets a tub with a "cheat sheet" inside of it. Check the sheet and then your inventory to see what you need to organize. Also be aware that we have some supplies here too, so just ask if you're not sure. Reach out to Marcia or Jen if needed, and feel free to make the activity your own, too! 😊
- **Action Item:** Marcia to add to the volunteer list – Jen's mother can help with the Wrapping Room; Carie's father can help in the Waiting Room.
- Discussion: Should we up the Photo Booth from 3 to 5 tickets?
  - **Decision Made:** We'll keep it at 3 tickets for now, and Carie will try to ensure that there aren't multiple revisits from different combinations of the same family or group of friends.
- Craig Manufacturing will be sponsoring Santa's Workshop again this year. We will add sponsor logos to signage and promote them on social media, too.
- Fishpond is again being sponsored by the "Franklin Family" – Marcia and her Mom & Dad.
- **Action Item:** Marcia to share the Silent Auction tracker and donation request letter with Hilary, Becca, and Hannah. She can support on social media. (*This is done.*)
- **Bazaar Meeting and Theme Basket Wrapping: Tentatively planned for Thursday, Nov 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Bazaar Volunteers encouraged to attend if possible.**
  - **Action Item:** Andy to acquire the baskets. (We need 9 theme baskets in total.)
  - **Action Item:** Rebekah to procure everything else that's needed.
  - **Action Item:** Hannah to bring bows and/or her mother to assist with wrapping theme baskets.
- **Action Item:** Andy to ask Emma about possible sponsorship for the Elf Auction.

- **Action Items:** Marcia to connect with Samantha regarding teacher volunteers by end of week. Marcia to connect Becca and Hilary to Deana for the Silent Auction. Marcia to connect Kelsey Cameron to Jenn Handrahan for the Creeker Cafe.
- **Action Item:** Andy to buy more yellow and blue activity tickets.
- **Discussion:** We had a request from a pop-up vendor about setting up a stall at the Bazaar. We're planning to keep the Bazaar focused on activities for the kids.
- Idea: Facepaint is currently on sale at Michael's, as are sponges. Sponge and stencils might be the way to go?
- Idea: If we need additional storage for Santa's Workshop items, perhaps we could use the gym bathroom showers for overflow storage?

**Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.**

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Submitted by Marcia Franklin

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