# Millen Woods School Council
# November 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes

## Welcome & Introductions: Ashley

- Meeting called to order at 6:35
- Land Acknowledgement
- Attendance taken (see attached)
- Motion to approve agenda – Kristen and Sandeep
- Motion to approve October 2025 minutes – Sarah
    - Alterations to the October minutes as follows:
        - 3. Finance Report
        - Pizza: -$120 profit
        - Mega Cone donation $70, Beavertails total pending, if any
        - Kinder playground payment was made: $45,000
        - Current council balance: $22,000

## Admin Report: Serena

- Progress reports – lots of hard work, coming home on Tuesday.
- Parent engagement evening at LBP – well attended, kids learnt a lot, could be repeated in the future
- October 31st was left up to each class – it went well, no issues, and excitement for theme days goes well
- Intramurals – indoor soccer, completed now. Volleyball is happening now. Snow Forts are a major activity here! ❄️
- PD day – all learning from ETFO. Different modules and topics with separate ones for EAs and Support staff
- Class photos earlier in the year will be coordinated for the next school year
- Movie night – Paw Patrol 🐕
- Tree planting – it was already supposed to be done. The revised date is the 21st, and the crew will be here planting. 🌳

## 2025/2026 Budget: Ashley

- Popcorn – $1880 in October 🍿
- Expense of $101.85 for school day fees associated with popcorn sales
- Our account is sitting at 24,280
- Volleyball posts + Gaga Ball pits are the next larger purchase
- Tricycles were fixed – so this line item was resolved last year

## Snack and Lunch Program: Dan/Ashley

- Popcorn / Ice cream sandwiches
    - The popcorn batch is sufficient for movie night
- ESNS
    - Mama's Pizza, rebranded Pizza Depot, has approached Millen Woods for another chance for Pizza Lunches
        - Previous rationale for the removal of Pizza Depot from the rotation included:
            - Inconsistent pizza slices
            - Inconsistent quantity and placement of toppings
            - Burnt
            - Not packaged according to class orders
            - General taste
        - It was decided to remain with Dominos as a result of great service, kids' love for the pizza, and their support of our many events throughout the year

        - Council will re-evaluate if deemed necessary
- Apples - sufficient load in the office

## Fall Fundraiser Update: Sam

- Read-a-thon was well participated in by the children and families
    - Returned forms have been sorted for drawing for prizes.

**Action item:** Sam/Emily - write a School Day post to update families on where we are at with drawing prizes, etc. Include a Thank You for the support and participation in the fundraiser.

**Action item:** Colleen - to determine Room Numbers for the forms that did not include one.

## Winter Clothing Drive: Steph

- No official tally, but about 50 kids were supported at Sandowne PS, leftovers were shared with 3 other local schools, and other leftovers were shared with a local church. Fantastic impact on our community.
- Thank you, Steph, for continuing this amazing tradition!

**Action item:** Steph - to draft a School Day post for families with an update and thank you.

## Winter Wonderland - Update: PRadeep

- Performance to start at 6:15
    - Mad Science Hot & Ice theme
- Food and beverage - decaf coffee + hot chocolate
- Murals, and other stations
- Photo booth
- Domino's pizza pre-order
- Fundraising event - Kidsability / Sandowne / Foodbank?
    - It was suggested not to crossover with a charity we haven't already done
- Volunteers - High school students are welcome for hours
- Pursuing some sort of market/stalls/vendors potentially - further investigation to be done
- A vote can be made on spending additional funds

**Action item:** Serena - ensure the stage is set up for the event.

**Action Item:** Committee - develop a budget for review and voting by Council. This vote can be handled via email.

## Movie Night - Update: Ashley

- Popcorn has been delivered
- Pizza pre-orders will be available

**Action item:** PRadeep - coordinate pizza pre-order for Dominos. Coordinate with Ann for a School Day announcement.

**Action item:** Ashley - draft School Day announcement for Movie Night info.

## Week of Giving - Ashley/Serena

- Run by teachers (not council)
- They pick a theme each day, and we put it in our calendar as a "school-led" thing, so we are part of parent budgets. (Maybe Nov 24 - 28?)
- More information to be shared once staff have coordinated.

## Volleyball Poles, Nets and Gaga Ball - Ashley

- The gym needs new Volleyball poles due to significant wear of the padding
- Gaga Ball pit is a much-wanted addition to the playground
- We need to discuss the procurement process, including the vendors we need to solicit
- The board is overseeing everything right now due to the financial climate

**Action item:** Serena to review purchasing requirements for volleyball equipment and Gaga Ball pit with the Board.

## December Council Meeting - All

- It was agreed that no Council meeting is required in December.
- If pressing matters arise, these can be circulated via email.

## PROGrant - Ideals and applications - All

- Parents Reaching Out Grant - themes include mental health, S.T.E.A.M.
- Last year, we did the Clay and Glass Gallery art night
- Applications are due November 28th
- This year's proposal: Childhood connect
    - An art night or a gardening night
    - Gardening night = hands-on dirt, seed planting, wire weaving with crystals & more, log wobbling, with sensory connection with wellbeing.
    - Art night = similar connection to wellbeing with different art forms.
- Tentatively booked for May 5th

**Action item:** Serena to forward the application form to Ashley and Dan

**Action item:** Dan to draft the application.

**Action item:** Ashley to reach out to Childconnect to get more information and pricing to aid with the application.

## Deferred Items

- Book Swap

## Adjournment: Ashley

- Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM

**Next meeting: January 14, 2026, at 6:30 in person with a virtual link**
Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/ghp-dovi-ynb

**MILLEN WOODS SCHOOL COUNCIL**
**ATTENDANCE SHEET FOR November 12, 2025**

| # | Name | **Position** | **Email** | **Initial for Attendance** |
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**Millen Woods Public School**
**School Council**
**Monthly Report 2025/26**

| | September | October | November | December | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | YTD totals | Budget 2025/2026 | Opening Fund Allocations | Budget to Actual | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Opening Balance School Council Account** | 36,621.43 | 22,503.81 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | 24,281.96 | | | | |
| **Opening Balance WEFI Account** | 30,322.41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | | | | |
| **Fundraising Activities (Revenue)** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **Over (Under) Budget** | |
| WEFI Donations | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| ESNS (Lunches - Tuesday, Thursday, 1 Friday a month) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 5,500.00 | | (5,500) | |
| Friday Popcorn Sales | | 1,880.00 | | | | | | | | | | | 1,880.00 | 6,400.00 | | (4,520) | |
| Mabel's Labels (ongoing) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 100.00 | | (100) | |
| Factory Shoes (ongoing) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 300.00 | | (300) | $650 sitting in Factory Shoe account |
| Meet the Community (Sept) | 193.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | 193.00 | 200.00 | | (7) | |
| Fall Fundraiser (October) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | | (1,000) | |
| Winter Wonderland (January) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 200.00 | | (200) | |
| Winter Fundraiser (March) - Dance-a-thon | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 5,000.00 | | (5,000) | |
| Movie Night (November) - Pizza and Popcorn | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 400.00 | | (400) | |
| Ice Cream Sandwiches (April, May, June) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | | (1,000) | |
| Year End Social (May) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| HST Rebates | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| **Fundraising Activities total (School Account)** | **193.00** | **1,880.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **2,073.00** | **20,100.00** | | (18,027) | |
| **Fundraising Activities total (WEFI)** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | | 0 | |
| **Fundraising Total (both accounts)** | **$193.00** | **$1,880.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$2,073.00** | **$20,100.00** | | (18,027) | |
| **Expenses** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **Under (Over) Budget** | |
| General Administration | | 101.85 | | | | | | | | | | | 101.85 | 500.00 | | 398 | |
| Decodable Texts | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | | 1,000 | |
| Grade 6 Graduation | 46.46 | | | | | | | | | | | | 46.46 | 200.00 | | 154 | |
| Playground bins | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 750.00 | | 750 | |
| Kindergarten Playground Upgrades (bikes, equip, etc) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | | 2,500 | |
| Musical Instruments Reserve | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 275.00 | | 275 | |
| Extracurricular Clubs | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| Playground Maintenance | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| Donation to another School | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| Enrichment - School Trips/Transportation | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | | 2,500 | |
| Enrichment - School Events, Tech Replacement, resources | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | | 2,500 | |
| Dance-a-thon | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 1,200.00 | | 1,200 | |
| Area Track Meet Bussing | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 500.00 | | 500 | |
| Popcorn Purchase | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | | 2,500 | |
| Student Subsides | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 100.00 | | 100 | |
| Athletics Requests | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 500.00 | 500 | 1,000 | carry year over year |
| Grounds Maintenance (plants, mulch, garden supplies) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 750.00 | 750 | 1,500 | carry year over year |
| Winter Wonderland | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 1,200.00 | | 1,200 | |
| Student Prizes | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 300.00 | | 300 | |
| Teacher Appreciation | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 200.00 | | 200 | |
| Playground Improvements | 44,586.57 | | | | | | | | | | | | 44,586.57 | 1,500.00 | 51,500 | 8,413 | carry year over year ... Gaga Ball Pit $3000 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0 | |
| **Expenses total** | **$44,633.03** | **$101.85** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$0.00** | **$44,734.88** | **$18,975.00** | | **26,990** | |
| **Ending Balance School Council Account** | **22,503.81** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | **24,281.96** | | | | |
| **Ending Balance WEFI Account** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | **0.00** | | | | |
| **Total Balance** | **$22,503.81** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$24,281.96** | **$1,125.00** | | | |