

Ballenas Prom 2026 - November Meeting

Date: Monday November 3, 2025

Location: Ballenas Learning Commons (Library)

Stay Connected & Informed: All parents & caregivers with students graduating in 2026 are invited to stay connected & informed about Prom via:

Email: Send an email to bssgradinfo@gmail.com and asked to be added to the mail list

Website: Visit Parents -> Grad Parents/Caregivers section of the Ballenas website for agendas, minutes, & all other information

Please Note: There will not be any parent/caregiver prom pages on Facebook or any other social media site

Attendees

Prom Leads:

Co-Chairs: Katie Liedl and Kim Howse

Secretary & Communications: Andrea Richardson (Diana)

Treasurer: Karen Orr

Committee Leads:

Decor: Chantelle Cody & Joanna Fell

Venue: Emily Small (Jeannie)

Entertainment: Jeannie Shaver

Food/Drink: Michelle Boulet

Fundraising: Lisa Henderson

Attendees: Katie, Kim, Andrea, Jeannie, Cassie, Emily, Allison, Michelle, Karen, Shannon, James, Chantel C., Joanna, Lisa, Georgina, Heidi N., Karen B., Julia, Heidi C., Sherri, Chantal, Alison, Diana, Grad Presidents Sophie & Carson

AGENDA

1. Venue Update: Jeannie Shaver and Emily Little

- We have confirmed date of Saturday June 27th at Tigh Na Mara, will be first time food doesn't have to be out-sourced so hoping for a lower priced ticket

- Questions about additional small rooms - will ask and report back

4. Decor: Chantel Cody and Joanna Fell

- Will be giving theme ideas to students to vote on - The Met Gala, Starry Night, Palm Royale, or Desert Disco
- Grad presidents will do a survey on Google Classroom or in person ballot box and schedule an in person meeting next week
- Committee would like access to grad storage space to see what they can use

5. Entertainment: Jeannie Shaver

- Idea of live music as well as a DJ, different band at different times? Mix of styles, different mocktail for each set/style, different dance floor, DJ has 360 camera, very reasonably priced, questions about genres
- Students would want a mix of genres
- Suggestion of asking students and getting feedback, not a just a vote

6. Fundraising: Lisa Henderson

Looked over 2025 budget, need to finalize venue before deciding ticket prices

- Bottle drive on Saturday 9:00-2:00, still need volunteers - parents and students
- Will be going after more corporate sponsorship
- Would like to do a couple "Beverage and Burger" nights, one higher end, one pub-style, together with silent auction - will be looking for donations

9. Food and Drinks: Michelle Boulet

- All food has to be provided by the venue except for candy
- Need to decide on style of food - buffet, stations, etc
- Will need to know allergies, etc from students, decisions don't have to be made right away because food is provided by venue
- Questions about drinks - tickets, pricing?

10. Budget: Karen Orr

- Applied for grant from City of Parksville - Andrea to attend meeting to ask for money
- Also applying for RDN and Rotary grants, asking fire departments for money as well

Next Meeting: Monday December 1 @ 6:30 in the library/learning commons for committee members only

11. Meeting Adjourned: 7:40pm