

AGENDA



Homma PAC Meeting

September 22, 2020

6:30pm – 8:00pm

PAC Executive:

Anna Reithmeier, Chair

Allan Dorff, Vice-Chair

Marcie Beggs, Treasurer

Nikki Pena, Secretary

Arezou Mirzaei, Secretary

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
6:30 to 6:45 PM	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">Approval of this list of items to become our agendaApproval of minutes from May 19, 2020 PAC Fall Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">Land acknowledgementWhat is the Homma PAC?What do we normally do?What will be different this year?	Anna Reithmeier Allan Dorff Nikki Pena
6:45 to 7:00 PM	Welcome from the Homma School Admin Team <ul style="list-style-type: none">Back to school updatesSchool news	Tanya Major Kevin Vines
7:00 to 7:10 PM	Treasurer's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">Budget update	Marcie Beggs
7:10 to 7:20 PM	Outdoor Classroom Project <ul style="list-style-type: none">Build update	Megan Zeni
7:20 to 7:30 PM	Legacy Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">What is the Legacy Committee?Fundraising ideas (Westcoast Seeds, Organic Dirt Sale, Rain Gear (Megan Zeni)	Linda Waithman
7:30 to 7:45 PM	Fundraising <ul style="list-style-type: none">New ideasFall plans/programs	Kim Karunaratne
7:45 to 8:00 PM	Questions and wrap-up	Anna Reithmeier

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<p>Welcome from the Homma School Admin Team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Back to school updates School news 	<p>Tanya & Kevin.... Notes provided Sue-Ann... is equipment in the mud kitchen being disinfected as shared equipment? Tanya... when the kids go out ever recess lunch all the kids will wash/hand sanitize. We do not disinfect between use Allan.... Is it too soon to talk about hot lunches? Tanya... no district update now. Still saying no shared food. It's not a no for the rest of the year, but it is still on hold. We know that's a really big fundraiser and that not having this will make a big difference. Carrie... will they be doing school photos? Tanya... yes done one by one. Disinfect between students. Class photos are on hold for now. Something like last Nikki.... What about kids in transitional? Tanya... they can come in at that time or wait to Karina... black history Arezou... how do we pay school fees Tanya... through cash online. We had a handout sent home with info. There's also a link on the homma website. Sue-Ann.... Are there hand sanitizing stations? Will cohorts change throughout the year? How about monies paid to pinewood derby last year Tanya... every classroom has a sink. Every classroom has wipes and hand sanitizer. And in the front of the school there is a sani station. Cohorts can change four times throughout the year. Our staff is leaning toward not changing them. We can do a potential refund for pinewood. The conversation just started. The cars are in point Roberts still! We're just working on options of getting the cars here... or offer a refund. Andrea.... How are the homma teachers and staff? What can parents do to support them?</p>

	<p>Tanya... so far, our teachers are doing well and supporting each other really well. They're tired. But they're receiving</p> <p>A lot of support from our homma community.</p>
<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget update 	<p>Marcie.... Shared notes.</p> <p>Jeff Anthony... <i>do the kids get library this year?</i></p> <p>Tanya.... <i>Yes, it will be happening. Ms Wilson is learning all about health and safety for the library. Figuring out on how to go online into the library to put a hold on a book... and she will deliver the book to the class where the request was made. In the next two months we are hoping that every student will know how to do this.</i></p> <p>Karina... you know that BCCPAC line item, we can just get rid of that as there will be no conference this year.</p> <p>Marcie... what about next year?</p> <p>Karina... I think I missed the part to reapply. I think we can save the \$300 if there's no conference. We can still get information from them even if we don't reapply</p> <p>Marcie... I think it's more like \$75</p> <p>Tanya... I think the gaming grant has to be spent by the end of the year?</p> <p>Marcie... I think so</p> <p>Tanya... is there additional monies up there that you need to allocate. 100% we will need more sports equipment</p> <p>Kevin.... We want to make sure the kids can get what they need in terms of sports equipment</p> <p>Sue-Ann... <i>do kids get PE? What will it look like and how are teachers being supported to innovate this area</i></p> <p>Tanya.... <i>Right now everything is happening outside. The gym is still being used as a meeting space so we can socially distance. We're having a meeting this week about how we can bring PE inside. Nothing lined up right now in terms of innovation, but work is needed.</i></p> <p>Marcie.... Is there any plan to have igirl/iboy this year</p> <p>Tanya.... We can book it for the next school year and hope for the best. We can still book speakers for individual classes, following health/safety rules.</p> <p>Marcie.... Is there any education around mental health and resiliency for our kids feeling anxious about current situation</p> <p>Tanya... we can see what we can still book for this year in terms of igirl/saleema noon</p> <p>Marcie.... Does anyone have any proposed changes to the budget?</p> <p>Anna.... This may take a little time</p> <p>Kim K... if there are things that the teachers need for health and safety, is there available funds for that?</p> <p>Marcie... I think if there's a need that comes up we can bring it up and vote on in any upcoming meetings. Kevin, do you have any ideas of what you are wanting to purchase?</p> <p>Kevin... we've already spent about 2000 and that's not all the classroom. And as if every year there a need to replace.</p>

	<p>Karina... what about having more picnic tables outside? So that more classrooms can learn outside</p> <p>Megan... That's in the plan!</p> <p>Anna... is it possible on fully approving the budget until the next PAC meeting?</p> <p>Linda... defer. Allan... second.</p> <p>Anna... let's move on to Megan with the outdoor classroom update</p>
<p>Outdoor Classroom Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build update 	<p>Megan... we brought over the mud kitchen and outdoor classroom space. New handwashing stations will be popping up with our TippyTap Challenge.</p> <p>In terms of the picnic tables the plan is to put the whole garden space on school property. We're optimistic the shed will come over next then the garden beds.</p> <p>In terms of budgeting, we have approval for the gazebo. It's happening! We're asking for higher ((not in ground)) garden beds</p> <p>Tawnya... careful, could be history of fire ants in the garden area. Would not want to bring over to homma school yard.</p> <p>Megan.... We've been searching the garden and haven't seen any yet</p>
<p>Legacy Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the Legacy Committee? • Fundraising ideas (Westcoast Seeds, Organic Dirt Sale, Rain Gear (Megan Zeni) 	<p>Linda.... Shared notes.</p> <p>I think the school, staff and teachers are doing an amazing job. Communication is amazing. Kids are happy. At this point, we have decided a holding year and support the pac with current projects. We don't think that we're going to do anything major this year with families still dealing with pandemic</p> <p>Still thinking of perhaps doing a couple of fundraising ideas like Organic Dirt Sale, Westcoast Seeds.</p> <p>Megan... one of the biggest barriers for the kids being outdoors is not being properly dressed. The school has put together a whole lending library of clothes. We can still lend out boots/coats/rain pants but those items will not be allowed back in circulation for the next three days due to health/safety rules.</p> <p>Tanya... we can still do fundraising no problem we just need to do it following health and safety rules. If we're packing anything, we would need to wear masks and gloves and then have the packages sit for three days before distributing</p>
<p>Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New ideas • Fall plans/programs 	<p>Anna.... Because of covid there are no try-ons. Supplier cant send samples for kids to try on. They will send sizing charts. This may make families a little hesitant when purchasing. Families are expecting to pay a certain amount for spirit wear or rain gear so mark up might not be realistic with families not willing to pay so much.</p> <p>Karina.... can we ask parents to contribute a suggested donation to the PAC? I know we did this last year. Now is the time we can do that</p> <p>Kim.... Can I just talk about the Fall/Winter fundraisers. The fall fundraisers start last week of Sept, first week of</p>

	<p>Oct. last year we did FlipGive, cookie dough, coffee, wreaths, purdys. I would recommend we stick with those. Can we still do the pick ups at the school?</p> <p>Tanya.... Yes, totally. We just need to spread out and assign pick up times.</p>
Questions and wrap-up	<p>Anna.... Any other business before we wrap up? I know it's a lot of projects in uncertain times. But working together we'll get through this!</p> <p>Carrie... motion to adjourn. Allan... second</p>