

DRAFT MINUTES



Homma PAC Meeting

Wednesday, February 19

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

In attendance 11 parents: Mark David (Admin), Ginny Lee (Admin), Jarrod Connolly; Miranda Duffy; Jennifer Tham; Jodie Weiler; Heather Hong; Kate Chan; Penny Leggo; Maryam Shanaz; Yoga; Mindy Lam; S (Guest)

| Time | Topic | Speaker(s) |
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| 6:30 - 6:45 pm | PAC Chair Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome / Land Acknowledgement• Approval of minutes from January Jodie approved; Heather Seconded.• Review of agenda• Approval of agenda Jodie approved; Miranda Seconded | Jarrod Connolly |
| 6:45 - 7:00 pm | Homma School Admin Team <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monthly updates from the Admin Team (in Orange)• Cards for Seniors (Lee) A former Homma student reached out about creating cards for Seniors during the winter holidays to boost their spirits at a busy time of the year. We had 10 classes participate and Division 10 students offered to be interviewed by the Vancouver Sun in an article about children all around the province, bringing joy to those around us! Homma is showing Care for Others! https://vancouversun.com/feature/metro-vancouver-school-children-brighten-holidays-less-fortunate• Drop off & Pickup of student items (David) As the number of items being dropped off during instructional time has increased significantly, we have decided to have family members drop off items at the lunch table in the front foyer. We will be making a general call at recess and at lunch to remind students to come and check for their items, rather than interrupt lessons to let teachers know that items have been dropped off. We thank you for your cooperation and understanding.• MS Bookings – Learning Updates scheduling app being piloted (David) Some teachers are piloting the use of MS Bookings for learning updates/conferences. If your child's teacher is using this booking system, the teacher will have sent you a link to book your learning | Mark David Ginny Lee |

update time. Some of the great features of this app are a confirmation email saying that you have booked a time and a reminder email 24 hours prior to your time.

- One Woman Circus – March 3 to March 14 (Lee)

Over the two weeks, classes will receive 2 or 3 sessions with Sand Northrup, the One Woman Circus. The workshops will be in English for the English classes and French for the French classes. The first CPF (Canadian Parents for French) grant was approved and we received \$826. The second CPF grant that was applied for was recently accepted, and they will cover half of the remaining cost of the 2-week residency. We have sent home a newsletter to families to cover the remaining cost of \$6 per student.

- New in-school field trip/workshop consent form (David)

We have sent out a general yellow in-school field trip/workshop form, however classroom teachers will always reach out and let families know of any in-school activities prior to them happening. At this time, it is only being used for the One Woman Circus workshops.

- McMath Feeder Basketball Skills Competition and SLSS Feeder Tournament – March 5 and 6 and March 11 and 13 (David)

Our grade 7 students from the three basketball teams (Boys, Girls and Open) have been invited to and will attend the McMath Feeder Basketball Skills Competition after school on March 5 and 6, and the Steveston London Feeder Tournament March 11 to 13. We want to thank all the coaches that have volunteered their time to support all three teams this year! The students have had a great time playing so far this season!

- Grade 7 Yearbook (Lee)

Thank you in advance to Karen Tyler who has taken the lead for the grade 7 yearbook. Thank you in advance to Penny Leggo, Lilian Chow and Andrea Mori who will be helping Karen with the yearbook. A special thank you to Isabel Chan, last year's yearbook lead, who has volunteered to show Karen how the yearbook is done!

- Written updates – Tuesday, April 29 (David)

Written updates will be published after Spring Break on April 29.

Questions: Jodie asked about ordering equipment for 1 woman circus. Ginny thinks it is a good idea to selling in April. Jen asked if we would sell on hot lunch platform vs School Cash online. Jodie said no issues for Hot Lunch with some lead time. Jodie will work on this with Ginny as an

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| | <p>additional fundraiser to sell equipment used for the circus classes for families to purchase.</p> | |
| 7:00 - 7:20 pm | <p>Treasurer's Report Budget update (in Purple)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Since our return to regular routines after the winter break, it has been a period of quiet housekeeping on the finance front. We deposited the cheques from DeVry Greenhouses and Purdy's for the proceeds from our holiday fundraisers. Registration for Hot Lunches in Terms 2 and 3 opened, so we are once again receiving that money from parents as payments are processed. <p>Upcoming events:</p> <p>Next week, the PAC will host Homma Bingo Night, on Thursday, February 27th. Tickets will be free of charge for this social event. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase.</p> <p>We plan to offer a plant / hanging baskets fundraiser in the spring, and the Pinewood Derby will take place in June.</p> <p>Question: Yoga asked about Sport's Day – Ginny answered it is tentatively booked for June 13 (contingent on weather).</p> | Miranda Duffy |
| 7:20 - 7:50 pm | <p>Planning and Participation Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Bingo Night Maryam said 14 tickets left and all concession items purchased and so far concession spend is around \$150. Maryam to still purchase prizes. <p>Ginny is asking about plastic table cloths as the tables from the district were stained from daubers last year. Jarrod said he could check PAC kitchen with Maryam to see how many table cloths we have and if we are missing any Maryam can purchase more.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hanging Basket Fundraiser This fundraiser will be launched for orders after Spring break, with delivery before Mother's Day. Stay tuned for more information. Spring Fair / Pinewood Derby Jen: asking for some more volunteers for Derby, particularly in LEAD roles. Let the PAC know Grace Carveth applied for City of Richmond \$2,000 grant for the Derby/Fair, but we won't know if we have received the grant until mid-April which is late for planning purposes. <p>Heather asked what happens if we don't get the \$2000 city grant? Miranda answering that last year it was \$5500-\$5600 to hold derby so we would be looking to recoup that cost at a minimum and raise some money from car sales, t shirt sales and concession. If we received the \$2000 grant, this would mean that 40% will be added to our budget so it would be great. Jen commented that the derby itself will happen without the grant as the track is paid for and sale of car kits and T shirts will cover the basic costs, but that the city grant would mean we could hire more artists and rent more games etc. For a bigger event. However the derby itself would still be</p> | All |

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| | <p>happening regardless of the city grant, although it would be nice, we are not planning on the funding coming through.</p> <p>Miranda commented about the possibility of bundling the T shirt with a car for sales? PAC exec will look into this, but want to keep prices for participation in the Derby as low as possible.</p> | |
| <p>7:50 - 8:00 pm</p> | <p>Other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Maryam question for Hot lunch: How do different vendors get picked? Jodie answered: some vendors have long standing relationships; Jodie meets with them in the summer to make sure they can guarantee our school size and order volumes as some orders are roughly 400. Jodie does tour of kitchens, nut free and no cross contamination with nuts, budget and different food varieties, communication from vendors, referrals from other schools/Hot lunch programs. ⊘ Maryam: Asked if bake sales are allowed? Jen answered PAC's Halloween dance had a bake sale. Jarrod answered that as long as the event is closed to school community that is ok as per public health rules. PAC had a Homma Parent sell her cookies as a fundraiser last year who didn't have a commercial kitchen and this was ok under public health rules as the sale was for the Homma community only. ⊘ Jodie updated PAC that there were some kids whose parents thought they ordered kids lunch, but they weren't ended up being ordered and Jodie has given these kids lunches. Jen asked: for kids who forgot their lunch and Jodie gives them lunches, Jen was wondering if parents end up paying for them afterwards? Or how many lunches get donated? Jodie answered that it's not something that needs attention now, but Jen asked if it's a pattern Jodie notices, does she need a bit more budget for these situations? Jodie answered no at the moment, but will let PAC exec know if she needs more budget. ⊘ Yoga asked if Grab and Go fridge still operating? Ginny answered yes, it's still working and how fast food goes depends on what is in the fridge. Yoga is asking if parents can donate to this fridge? Maryam asked what is Grab and Go fridge? Ginny answered it is filled with healthy snacks provided by the district and cannot accept donations from parents at this point from a food safety perspective, reiterated traffic light system so food lasts as long as possible. For kids who NEED a lunch, not for kids who have a lunch packed and don't want to eat it. <p>Jodie approved motion to conclude meeting at 7:36pm and Miranda seconded.</p> | <p>All</p> |

- Jarrod Connolly, Chair
- Corrine Haer, Vice-Chair
- Miranda Duffy, Treasurer
- Jennifer Tham, Secretary

Next Homma PAC Meeting: Thursday April 24, 2025 – Virtual. Link to be emailed closer to the date.

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