

# DRAFT Minutes



## Homma PAC AGM

Wednesday, May 20 2026

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

In person - Homma Library

Participants online: Jodie Weiler, Kate Chan, Hamish Stevenson, Jennifer Tham, Chris Wareing, Beth Volpov, Andrea, Maggie Gao, Eddie, Suzie, Rahul Coelho, Sofia Tuangkitkun, Samantha, M(?), Aleks L, Heather Hong

Participants in-person: Maryam Shahnaz, Ginny Lee, Mark David, Oliver Heel, Miranda Duffy, Eric Marriott, Jarrod Connolly, Linnet Frank, Yoga Murugesan, Joanne Belda, Madeleine Wareing, Toby Belda, Sean Vanderfluit, Alena Klyha, Penny Leggo, Sherry Bains, Vlad Leder, Lisa Braaten, Melanie Wilk, Omar

Meeting Started: 6:06pm.

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
6:00 - 6:15 pm	<b>PAC Chair Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome / Land Acknowledgement</li><li>• Approval of minutes from April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Motion: Miranda Duffy, Second: Alena Klyha, Minutes approved</li></ul></li><li>• Review of the agenda</li><li>• Approval of the agenda<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Motion: Joane Belda, Second: Madeleine Wareing, Agenda approved</li></ul></li></ul>	Maryam Shahnaz
6:15 - 6:30 pm	<b>Homma School Admin Team</b> <p>Band Concert – Wednesday, May 6 – Wonderful showcase of our students' learning</p> <p>Richmond District Heritage Fair – Friday, May 8</p> <p>Four divisions participated</p> <p>Homma Run Club every Thursday morning</p> <p>Welcome to K - Wednesday, May 20</p> <p>Grade 7 McMath Orientation – Friday, May 22</p> <p>Track and Field Meet for K to Grade 3 – Wednesday, May 27</p> <p>Track and Field Meet for Grades 4 – 7 – Wednesday, May 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The new format reflects feedback from students and staff and keeps track and field within the instructional school day. It aligns with the goals of the Physical and Health Education curriculum, with a focus on physical literacy, self-awareness, and enjoyment of movement. Students will have opportunities to participate in a wider range of events, rotate through stations with same-grade peers to remain active throughout the day, and choose a level of challenge that reflects their confidence and experience.</li></ul> <p>Outdoor Ed – Camp Jubilee in October 14-16, 2026</p>	Mark David Ginny Lee

Class Placement Parent Survey:

**September 2026 Student Placement – Parent Input**

As we begin planning for student placement for September 2026, staff will gather and share information to support the development of well-balanced classes. Teaching teams invest significant time, care, and professional judgment in making placement decisions that support each student’s learning and well-being.

When organizing classes, staff intentionally consider a range of factors, including group dynamics, learning needs, and peer groupings, to support positive relationships, social connections, and academic success.

Many students demonstrate strong resilience and adaptability, and the elementary years provide important opportunities to broaden friendships, develop flexibility, and practise building new peer relationships.

Encouraging confidence beyond a single peer group supports long-term growth and smooth transitions.

To support equity and fairness across the school, parent input **should not include requests for:**

- Specific teachers
- Specific peer groupings
- Grade configurations or combined classes

All relevant information shared by families will be thoughtfully considered; however, we are not able to guarantee requests. Placement decisions are made using a whole-school perspective, with careful consideration of the needs of all learners.

We recognize that families may have new or important details to share.

Parent input is most helpful when it highlights **remarkable or significant information** - such as details related to a child’s learning profile, social-emotional needs, or family circumstances that may not already be known to the school and that could meaningfully inform placement discussions.

If you wish to share significant information about your child, please click the link below and complete the survey before **June 5th, 2026**.

Information will be shared with teaching staff as part of the placement process. We will not be accepting email requests so please contact the office if you need support completing the survey.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership as we work together to support your child’s learning and well-being.

June 5: Pinewood Derby

Sports Day – Friday, June 12

**Grade 7 Celebrations**

- May 29: McMath Orientation
- June 19: Water Fight PM
- June 22: Rehearsal Day for Farewell
- June 23 9-10:30: Gr.7 Farewell Assembly
- June 24: Pizza Lunch & Yearbook Signing

	<p>Hot lunch during Ramadan: Discussion will be had closer to next school year.</p> <p>Food for thought from the Muslim community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's highly appreciated the school is considering fasting during Ramadan and consequences for Hot Lunch.</li> <li>• Usually, kids are not expected to fast and it wouldn't be a big deal to have Hot Lunch.</li> <li>• Consequences for parents who fast: they need to prepare lunch for their kids: if hot lunch is offered, they don't have to deal with it.</li> <li>• General sentiment: Freedom of one person should stop where the freedom of another person starts.</li> </ul> <p>There is a universal hot lunch being rolled out but details are not yet available. It is designed to address an equity need where schools with more need will receive more hot lunch support. Universal hot lunch will also require more staff involvement, which will impact instructional time.</p>	
6:30 - 6:35 pm	<p><b>First call for nominations for PAC executive positions</b></p> <p>Chair: Jarrod Connolly Secretary: Eric Marriott Treasurer: Joanne Belda Vice-Chair: Madeleine Wareing RDPA Rep: Melanie Wilk Parent Education Rep: no nomination Fundraising Coordinator: no nomination</p>	Maryam Shahnaz
6:35 - 6:55 pm	<p><b>2025/2026 Budget:</b></p> <p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p><b>April into May, 2026:</b></p> <p>I can now report on the results of the Winter Wonderland and Milltown Pub Night events. Winter Wonderland, held on December 16<sup>th</sup>, raised \$1,069.59 in Operating money, and \$312 in Gaming funds. I should note that about \$130 in Winter Wonderland expenses ultimately were not claimed for reimbursement, bringing the event's actual fundraising results closer to \$940 than to \$1,100. The Milltown Pub Night on March 6<sup>th</sup> raised \$560 in Operating money, and \$218.45 in Gaming funds from the licensed 50/50 draw. For context, \$560 is on pace for what we traditionally generate from a Pub Night. Most of the financial focus since our last PAC meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup> has had to do with the Homma Celebration and Pinewood Derby coming up on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.</p>	Miranda Duffy

This year we were fortunate to be awarded a grant from the City of Richmond for \$1,486 in support of our Celebration. Thank you once again to Grace Carveth for writing our successful grant application for the second year in a row.

We have four Fridays remaining in our Hot Lunch program for the year: May 22<sup>nd</sup>, May 29<sup>th</sup>, June 5<sup>th</sup>, and June 12<sup>th</sup>. Hot Lunch is the largest single fundraising initiative that the Homma PAC runs every year. Once again, we look to be on track for meeting our Hot Lunch fundraising goal of \$8,000 for 2025-26. This would not be possible without the ongoing dedication of our Hot Lunch Coordinators, Jodie Weiler and Jeff Anthony, much of whose hard work and planning is accomplished behind the scenes.

## Upcoming Events

In addition to the Pinewood Derby, the PAC also plans to hold five Freezie Friday Fundraisers to finish up the year.

We have drafted a Homma PAC budget for the 2026-27 school year. This draft budget is to be discussed and voted on for approval at tonight's meeting, our AGM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Miranda Duffy  
Homma PAC Treasurer

### Discussion:

- It was confirmed that the 130\$ in Winter Wonderland expenses were donated
- Financial report to show numbers for 2025/2026 was requested but not available. It will be presented during next PAC meeting

### 2026/2027 Budget:

- Presentation of draft 2026-27 PAC budget, for discussion and approval.
- It was noted that without the 2025/26 financial report, the base line is missing to relate the presented budget to.
- Answer: Budget positions are not final and can be changed in any PAC meeting through a motion
- It was requested to eliminate the 3<sup>rd</sup> scholarship
  - It was noted that the scholarship was approved in the last PAC meeting and that the 550\$ scholarship helps to offset higher education for students finishing grad 12 and that are former Homma students.
- Vote
  - Motion: Jodie Weiler, Second: Jennifer Tham, In favor: 16, opposed: 2, abstain: 0, Motion carried.

### Further Considerations:

- Fridge is 16 years old and may need replacement
- Playground modernization requires thorough fact finding. Situation is changing frequently.

6:55 - 7:15 pm	<b>Planning and Participation Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staff appreciation lunch (Camille/Jenny/Maryam) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Being held on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Looking for volunteers</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Freezie Friday update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4 days planned. First this coming Friday. Need volunteers for the subsequent weeks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Homma Community Celebration/Derby update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Held on June 5<sup>th</sup></li> <li>○ Need volunteers for adult and high school students spots, urgently.</li> <li>○ Organizer for next year is requested</li> <li>○ Need freezers, sun shades and pop donations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	All
7:15 - 7:45 pm	<b>Second call for nominations for PAC executive positions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Assign two (2) scrutineers (if needed)</li> <li>● Vote / ballots <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chair: Jarrod Connolly(accepted)</li> <li>○ Secretary: Eric Marriott(accepted)</li> <li>○ Treasurer: Joanne Belda (accepted)</li> <li>○ Vice Chair: Madeleine Wareing(accepted)</li> <li>○ Fundraising coordinator (optional)</li> <li>○ Parent Education coordinator (optional)</li> <li>○ Richmond District Parents Association Representative (voted via secret ballot / optional): Melanie Wilk: in favour: 16, opposed: 0, abstaining: 0</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Maryam Shahnaz
7:45 - 8:00 pm	<b>Open floor</b>	All

Motion to adjourn: Lisa Braaten, Second: Eric Marriott  
Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm

**Next Homma PAC Meeting:**  
Wed June 17 2026 6:30-8:00 (virtual)