



École H.S. Grenda Middle School

Parent Advisory Council

Agenda

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes • Action Items • Fundraising Log

HMS Cove Room – December 16, 2025 | 6:30 PM – 7:35 PM

Attendance:

Present: Tara Shoemaker (President), Emily Buss (Vice President), Jamie House (Secretary), Bev Bertolotti (Treasurer), Bretta Lawton (Member at Large), Rob Aviani (Principal), Tonia MacGregor (Vice Principal).

Absent: Tristan Gosse (Co-PAC Representative absent), Lynn Campbell (Hot Lunch Coordinator), Heidi Starr (Member at Large), Craig Catton (Member at Large).

Parent/ Guest in Attendance: Danielle Lamb.

1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

- Meeting commenced at 6:30PM.
- Agenda approved.
- November PAC minutes motion to approve Tristan Gosse, seconded by Bretta Lawton.

2. Executive Reports

PAC President's Update

- Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report

- Regular account balance \$14,638.98
- Gaming account balance \$13,070.38
- The gaming account deadline is currently being addressed.
- A 2026 PAC budget is not yet available.

COPAC Report

- Tristan Goose was not in attendance.

Hot Lunch Report

- The hot-lunch binder is available for reference.
- Three new food vendors have been added: Chester's Chicken, KoHa Vietnamese and Dairy Queen.
- Feedback on the new vendor will be requested once service begins in the second term.
- Chop Leaf and Wrap Zone are no longer active vendors.
- The approved price increase will begin in January to cover Stripe fees.

Hot Dog Day Report

- Heidi Starr – not in attendance.
- Vegetarian hot dogs removed from menu.

3. Principal's Report

(See attached report.)

Holiday Food Drive Totals:

- Ocean: 219lbs
- Lake: 161 lbs.
- Creek: 149 lbs.
- Waterfall: 331lbs

Yearly Totals:

- 2022: 682 lbs
- 2023: 707 lbs
- 2024: 497 lbs
- 2025: 860 lbs. (highest total to date)

4. New / Additional Business

50/50 Holiday Raffle Update

- The raffle winner was Liesl Heidinger, with winnings of \$790.
- PAC gift cards (Save-On-Foods and Dollarama) total \$614.63 after Rafflebox fees.
- The Vice Principal will distribute the gift cards in January to HMS families in need.

Purposed Fundraisers

- Squeaky Cheese fundraiser is planned for January 2026.
- Kernel's Popcorn was declined by the school staff.
- Purdie's Chocolate is being considered for Easter. Bev will organize.
- Spirit Wear: Previous inventory will be sold at cost to reduce the past year's deficit.
 - New Spirit Wear may be considered for Spring.
 - Valley Spring Printing will be contacted for pricing.
 - Bev will gather additional printing quotes for Jamie to contact.

5. Fundraising Requests

- Principal Rob Aviani

Request: \$1,000 to support the May 28-29 Grade 8 Camp at Hatikvah in Oyama. Funds will cover the cost for 172 students to attend.

Moved by Emily Buss, seconded by Bretta Lawton. Approved.

Cobbs Bursary Amendment

The bursary amount will be \$1,500 for the first year.

Future PACs will vote annually on the bursary amount.

- Ocean Community

Request: \$2,420 for Big White tubing field trip.

Moved by Emily Buss, seconded by Bretta Lawton. Approved.

- Waterfall Community

Request: \$2,320 for Silver Star Tubing and H2O field trips.

Moved by Danielle Lamb, seconded by Bretta Lawton. Approved.

- Fundraising Request Procedure Update

School staff must submit funding requests to the Principal prior to PAC meetings. Approved requests will be brought to the PAC President and presented for PAC approval at the next meeting.

6. Other Business

None.

7. Action Items

- The Holiday 50/50 Raffle was completed on December 5th.
- Jamie will obtain pricing for Spring Spirit Wear fundraising.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 6:30 PM

Principal's Report: École H S Grenda Middle School PAC Meeting
Rob Aviani, December 16, 2025

- **Gratitude**

- To the PAC for continuing Hot Lunch and getting the Hot Dog program going.
- Thank you to our student leadership team for all the fun events that they've planned for December, including:
 - Spirit Assembly (Dec 1)
 - Spirit Days - Candy Cane Day (Dec 4), Tinkle Day (Dec 11), Winter Hat Day (Dec 18), PJ Day (Dec 19)
 - Cleanest Community Challenge (Dec 8 - 12)
 - Elf Challenge (Dec 15-19)
- Thanks to the team in Creek Community for organizing the 12 Days of Christmas Food Drive which benefits our local food bank.
- Thanks to Mr. Pentland and Mr. Bonneteau for planning and organizing the HMS Youth Entrepreneur Fair Winter Market on December 11.

- **MyEducation BC Parent Portal.** For Term 1, parents will be able to see their child's learning update in two ways.
 - On December 17, you will be able to view your child's learning update through the new MyEducation BC Parent Portal. This secure online tool makes it easy to stay informed about your child's learning. Plus, families of grade 8 students will be able to support your child's transition to high school.
 - On December 18, your child will receive a paper copy to take home.
 - With the Parent Portal, you can:
 - View learning updates as soon as they're published
 - Confirm your child's GESS grade 9 course selection and schedules
 - Check attendance and track progress
 - Update contact information quickly and easily

The Term 1 Learning Update will be a pilot process with the intention of transitioning to a fully online Learning Update for Terms 2 and 3.

- **Paul Davis Internet Safety Presentation Reminder.** We're excited to welcome Paul Davis, a trusted expert in internet safety to the Central Okanagan. Paul has a knack for making online security simple and relatable for everyone, including students, parents, and educators alike. His tips and real-world advice help us navigate social media, privacy, and digital habits with confidence. The January 19 evening presentation at KLO Middle School is for parents who want to know how they can support their children through the digital age. Paul Davis will be presenting to HMS students during a special assembly on January 21. Thank you to the HMS PAC for helping bring Mr. Davis to our school.
- **HMS Online Calendar.** Go to <https://hms.sd23.bc.ca/calendar-main> to check out our updated calendar. Subscribe to our calendar so that it automatically updates to your phone.