



Helen Gorman Elementary School

Parent Advisory Council Meeting

April 7th 2026

In attendance:

Dani Walls, Melanie Boomhower, Selena Hermann, Jacqueline Pizzey, Christy Wiens, Carlyn McLaren, Jessica Anjos, and Britney Morrison

Regrets:

Call to order: @6:02pm

Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion to accept the agenda for Tuesday, April 7th 2026

Motion: Selena **Second:** Jacqueline

Adoption of the Minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes from Tuesday March 3rd 2026

Motion: Jacqueline **Second:** Christy

Presidents Report:

-Executive Positions review:

Kacy Martin has left her position as Vice President effective immediately.

Dani and Jacqueline will not be submitting their names for nomination for their positions for the 2627 school year at the AGM on May 12.

-Open positions which will need to be filled for September:

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Co-Pac, and Hot Lunch Coordinator.

If we do not have a PAC executive for a gaming grant spending. If we miss a year of spending, we will not be approved again for the \$5000.

-All hot lunch credits from Munchalunch have been handed back out in cash. E-mail sent out to all families to pick up the credit. If families do not collect, the funds will be donated back to the PAC.

-PAC sponsored Digital Literacy and Cyber Bullying Theme: Anxious Generation Book Study Event- April 22nd 6-8 PM. Currently 7 people registered so far.

-AMG is moved May 12th where we will be voting in the new PAC executive.

Treasurers Report:

General Account Balance: \$32,832.93

Gaming Account Balance: \$154.19

Hot Lunch: \$2,208.67

Movie Night: \$24.65 (screen \$270.59)

Float- \$185.92

Treat Day- \$77.60

Purdy's- \$157.00

Principal's report and funding requests:

See attached Principal's report for details.

Next meetings:

Tuesday May 12th @ 6pm

(TBD) Tuesday June 2nd @ 6pm

Principal's Report: Helen Gorman Elementary School PAC Meeting
Jessica Anjos | April 7, 2026

1. Updates, Thank Yous and Success

- a. We welcomed new students and families into our building on March 4 for the Early Learning For Families (ELFF) event.
- b. We celebrated the 10th anniversary of our Talent Show on March 12.
- c. Term Two Written Learning Updates were distributed on March 12.
- d. Projections for the 2026-2027 school year have come forward with 217 students as an initial projection and with this projection, we will be moving forward with 10 divisions.

2. Upcoming Events

- a. Class Photo Day on April 16
- b. Battle of the Books Competition on April 23 at Rutland Elementary
- c. Cultural Performance on April 27 with Karima Essa
 - i. A three-time Canadian National Dance champion, Karima Essa is Vancouver's very own Bollywood star. A charismatic and passionate performer, choreographer and instructor, her one-of-a-kind Bollywood talent has been entertaining diverse audiences at festivals, theatres and in schools across Canada. Since first showcasing her Bollywood Star School show in schools in 2018, she has performed her shows and workshops in 500+ schools, theatres and festivals across BC and AB. Karima's new focus is on celebrating that all bodies can dance by bringing the Body Positivity movement to Bollywood Dance in schools and communities.
- d. Concrete Work to take place this summer – more details to come
- e. Track and Field for Grades 4-5 on Fridays (April 24, May 1, May 8 and May 15
 - i. Apple Bowl with Shannon Lake Elementary on May 20
- f. Mini Memorial Cup Jamboree with Grade 5s from participating elementary schools across the district to celebrate the Memorial Cup! Jamboree takes place on May 8 at MBSS with teams advancing to the finals on May 23.

3. SEL Learning Connection

- a. Simran Sidhu, Community Safety Advisor with City of Kelowna will co-host the session with Cst. Ryan Rode, West Kelowna School Resource Officer in May 2026 from 6:00-7:00pm.
 - i. Available dates are:
 1. Tuesday, May 19
 2. Tuesday, May 26
 3. Wednesday, May 27

4. Indigenizing our HGE Logo

- a. Syilx Okanagan Artist, Coralee Miller is working with our school to incorporate Indigenous artwork into our logo. She's created her first iteration of the logo and we are seeking feedback from our PAC and educators.