

Panorama Hills School Council AGM Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 21, 2026 – 6pm

Welcome – Meeting opens at 6:10

Land Acknowledgement

Principal's Report

- This time of year, we receive a budget for next year based on projections.
- CBE projections with EES are 516; we are currently at 495, and our best guess is slightly less than that.
- We have submitted our projections, and the process is underway.
- As of two days ago, we are up to 505; we received a number of students we were not aware were coming from Alex Monroe School to PHS.
- Kindergarten numbers have continued to rise faster than we predicted.
 - CBE projects 46, but as of today we have 52 kindergarteners registered.
- Currently, we have 21.5 teachers, and next year we can afford 22 homeroom teachers, plus one music, 0.6 resource, and 0.4 to cover teachers' prep time.
- PHS was awarded a Classroom Complexity Team this year; this included one teacher and two educational assistants.
- Next year, it is included in our budget and is over and above our RAM.
- Explanation provided regarding returning teachers, probationary teachers, and teachers on temporary contracts and vacancies. There is a Learning Leader/FT Kindergarten teacher vacancy for next year

Residencies

Because at this time, we will not be able to have a dedicated physical education teacher, the teachers proposed exploring residencies that support physical literacy.

- Tennis – 2 weeks – approx. 3,000
- Elevate Lacrosse – 12 days – Approx 7,800
- Astrodome – Science – Approx 4,000
- The school would also like to explore a bigger residency
 - Looking at maybe a Dance and/or Indigenous residency– approx. 13,000
 - Looking into Teddy Anderson, Shirley Hill and Dando Dance
 - All together, the above requests equal to about 27,800
- The school is open to any other residency suggestions from parents
 - Kids really enjoy Alien In-Line as another idea
 - Learning track and field

Residencies are paid for by Casino and do not need to be motioned.

The school will book the Tennis and Lacrosse residency and will see if Alien In-Line is also available.

The Astrodome has already been booked.

The school will explore opportunities for the larger residency, and parents suggested a residency with a performance aspect.

May – School updates

School Spirit events - Fun Fridays

- Each Friday to the end of the school year will have a theme, with pajama day kicking off the events.

Grade 5 farewell celebration

- Kiran will talk to Tim Hortons
- Gurj will talk to Save On for Cupcakes
- Gurj will purchase anything else we need
- Student assembly 9:00
- Parent Family 1:30

Sports Day

- Will loop back and clarify the time
- Will run June 19 rain or shine

Welcoming New Families

- Mr. Hobbs and team will be creating a video that is a virtual tour for the new families

Sound system

- Funds from the Readathon were earmarked for a new sound system. We have reached out to the CBE sound team to assess the current system. Overall, it is functional but may require some upgrades (e.g., Bluetooth). The school will obtain quotes to determine what needs to be repaired or replaced. We will wait for their recommendations and associated costs before making a decision. The school will share the costs once available.
- If a decision is required before the next meeting, it may be made by email vote.

Upcoming dates

- Volunteer Tea – May 29 at 11:00
 - There are performances and treats planned, please come to the Volunteer Tea
 - You may still attend if you did not RSVP, you can just come that day
- Kindergarten Orientation – June 4 - 5:30 to 6:30
- Sports Day – June 19 – 10:00 to 11:30
 - Ken has the freezies and will arrange drop off with Sonya
- Grade 5 Farewell – June 25
- Last Day of School for Students – June 26: Regular Friday dismissal

Entry plan for next year

- Mandated exactly down the minute for how many instructional hours there are to be
- Looking at our calendars and our times, it will be almost identical to this year, lunch is shifted a little bit, EES has been shifted a little bit

- Continue to have a soft entry next year – children will have 5 minutes to get in and get settled
- Next year lunch will be 10 minutes earlier
- Instructional calendar is up and out for next year on the CBE Website
- PHS Specific calendar will be out soon for next year

Open house in the summer

- The last day before students start, August 28, there will be an Open House from 1:00 to 2:00 for students and parents to come meet their teacher, see the classroom, and visit the school.
- **Time to be confirmed**

Any updates on the principal?

- No updates at this time. Ms. Manser will be here for one more week; however, it is unclear what will happen after that.
- Ongoing conversations are taking place, but no decisions have been confirmed.

Wishlist/Request for Funds

CAD shirts for kindergarten and new students

- Continue using existing shirts this year; reassess fit in September before deciding on repurchase.
- Purchase shirts for kindergarten and new students as needed.
- 38 extra shirts will be used first.
- Approximately 150 additional shirts may be required.
- Fit will be monitored after CAD this week to see how shirts are fitting
 - **Decision:** Revisit in September.

Positions that are open for 2026-2027 school year

Council Chair

Nominee: Parissa Mohammed

First: Gurjit Sidhu **Second:** Aaron Zentner **All in favour:** Passes

Council Vice Chair

Nominee: Ken Nguyen

First: Gurjit Sidhu **Second:** Aaron Zentner **All in favour:** Passes

Administrator/Secretary for Council and Society

Nominee: Chrissy Richardson

First: Gurjit Sidhu **Second:** Aaron Zentner **All in favour:** Passes

Key Communicator – Tamara can keep doing this until September

Nominee: Rudra Patel

First: Gurjit Sidhu **Second:** Aaron Zentner **All in favour:** Passes

Treasurer

Nominee: Therese Falck

First: Gurjit Sidhu **Second:** Aaron Zentner **All in favour:** Passes

Volunteer Coordinator (not a voted position)

- Ken Nguyen

Directors At Large (not a voted position)

- Aaron Zenter

Casino Coordinator (not a voted position)

- Chantelle Dudley

New Business:

- Sweet Treat Day – School will let us know what day they would like to do it
- Ken – Teacher Appreciation around the conferences
 - Teacher appreciation BBQ as an idea
 - Allow the teachers to have lunch outside and have the parents serve the teachers next year
 - Can look at this for Summer/June of next year?

Motions:

1. Positions motioned as above.

Adjournment –7:29 pm

Next meeting in September 2026, date TBD