



A.R. MacNeill Parent Advisory Council (PAC) **Meeting Minutes / Notes**

Meeting Date: September 23, 2026

Meeting Venue: **A.R. MacNeill School Library**

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at **7:00pm**.

In attendance: Mr. John Blair (Principal), Jag Reehal (Chair), Stephen Lissack (Treasurer), Mar Tinsay (Secretary), JC and Diana Ferrer, Jackie Samra, Amy Huang, Nicolas Berniolles, Annie Yiu, Jessica Lara, Karen Kwan, Joyce Lee, Cath Fernandez, Sonia Chopra

The Meeting Minutes of the previous PAC meeting in May 2026 was approved.

The Agenda was approved and there were no additions to the Agenda.

Administration Report by Mr. John Blair, Principal of A.R. MacNeill Secondary School:

1. Staying connected – website and Instagram @armacneill
2. New Staff additions:
 - a. Michael Bartosiak / Teacher – Business, Tech Ed, & ELL
 - b. Lenaya Sampson / Teacher – English and Socials
 - c. Mark Pattern / Teacher – Counsellor
 - d. Natalie Hagarty / Vice Principal
 - e. Raphaelle Vrain / Teacher – French & English
 - f. Roxie Lewin / Teacher – returning from leave
 - g. Chloe Reimer / Teacher – English & ELL
 - h. Trovina Zhuang / Teacher – ELL & English
 - i. Kulvir Dhillon / Educational Assistant
 - j. Kana Tezuka / Educational Assistant
 - k. Jonathan Yue / Educational Assistant
 - l. Justin Schrip / Educational Assistant
 - m. Kristal Huang / Educational Assistant
 - n. Vivian Poon / Educational Assistant

** several TTOC's for teachers who are on short term LOA **
3. School size: now 988 students – was 951 (last year 960)
 - a. *49 International Students* – China, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, Japan, Korea, Russia, and Spain
 - b. *76 Incentive Students* in Grade 8 (29), 9 (19), and 10 (28)
4. What has been happening the first few weeks?
 - a. Great start to the school year – assemblies, revisiting expectations within the school, specifically the Digital Device Policy. All students received an agenda and families received a calendar. We covered school expectations within advisory and have been focusing on arrival time and lates. Theme for the year: BELIEVE (applicable to staff, students, and parents)
 - b. Additional blocks added to the TT after the start of school to address the additional students that we have accepted since our initial allocation.

- c. Photo Day #1 was a success (October 16th #2)
5. Gym Bathroom Project complete
6. MacNeill Exterior Project complete (building paint)
7. #4 Road Entrance – Questions about diversion to force traffic that enter off 4 Road to go around the school to the right. Student safety and updating some lines, arrows, and signage.
8. School Swag – order deadline September 30, 2026
9. Upcoming important dates:
 - a. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – Sept 30th
 - b. Terry Fox Run – Oct 1st
 - c. Clubs Day – Oct 7th
 - d. Photo Day #2 – Oct 16th
 - e. Collaboration Day – Oct 21st
 - f. Pro-D Day – Oct 23rd
 - g. Interim Reports published Oct 29th

Chairperson Report by Mr. Jag Reehal, Chairperson

PAC email – macpaccommunity@gmail.com

DPAC – trustee candidate meet & greet on Sept 29th

Treasurer Report – Financial Report

1. For Sept 2026, the PAC accounts have the following balances:
 - Gaming Account – \$3,484.38
 - Dry Grad Account – \$5,138.85
2. All caught up with expenses from last year
3. Grant application was sent in June

Dry Grad Report

1. Approved to get started on license for 50/50
2. Always looking for volunteers to help plan and on the evening of the event

Gym Mural Project

1. Would likely need to fundraise for this project (\$20-\$35k in cost)

Speed Change Proposal on Granville (to Garden City Road) Update

1. Past changes: left turning light on Granville into 4 Road and reducing parking along Granville for more visibility when exiting the school
2. City Council looking at conducting studies on possible speed reduction or addition of speed bumps

Interest / Election for Vice Positions

1. Let us know if you are interested in Co-Chair or Co-Treasurer positions for the PAC.

With no further business, the PAC Meeting was Adjourned at 7:45pm.

The next PAC Meeting will be held in October 2026.