

Bicentennial SAC Meeting

May 11, 2026

In attendance: Principal Hartlen, Ingram, Bryony, Brianne, Ed, Pastor Mutale

Called to order at 6:06 PM

Principal's report:

1. HRM Transit request
Won't have an answer on moving the bus time table until May 18 at the earliest
2. School events
3. Cultural safety professional development
Completed final session. Follow up sessions planned for May/June or September.
4. Sports
5. Provincial assessments
Grade 8 assessments will be piloting the new electronic assessments.
Grade 3 still on paper.
6. SAC Budget
~\$750-1000 remaining in budget
T-Shirt quote came in at approx. \$1000 for 100 shirts
7. Garden beds
 1. Ingram will capture "before" photos
 2. Mr. Scheffhauser and shop classes will build and install new beds

Communication from HRCE about new principal:

1. Principal McGowan has secured a permanent position elsewhere, so the position for Principal at Bicentennial is officially open.
2. Principal Hartlen has applied and hopes to be here next year.

Budget

1. \$750-1000 remaining
2. We should allocate it to a project before end of year.
3. If nothing else, it will go toward school supplies.

School pantry

1. Construction likely to happen over the summer
2. Location already selected. Looking to have it wired up for a fridge.
3. Funding is already in the account from the PC children's charity
4. Still open-ended in terms of scope: toiletries, clothing, etc

School Photography

1. Grade 9 graduate photos for last several years have been delivered. They will be put up over the summer.

Last meeting of the year: June 15 at 6 PM at Hojo's

First meeting of next year: September 21, 2026

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM

SAC Principal's Report – May 11, 2026

1. HRM Transit Request

- No response yet. Mr. Hartlen to update when response arrives.
- Sent Update request
- Original Date for communication was May 18

2. More School Events

- Jr. High Dance – Grade 6's included
- Grade 9 Closing and Final Dance
- Spring Fling
- Primary Orientation (Parents and Students)
- Grade 7 Orientation upcoming
- Grade 10 Orientation for DHS upcoming

3. Cultural Safety PD was completed

- There will be some follow-up PD sessions planned for May/June and September

4. School Sports

- Falg Football tournament for both teams is complete
- Jr. High Track currently at Meets – May 11, 12
- Softball tryouts/practices have started

5. RWM8 – June 1-4

- All practice complete

6. RWM3 – May 12, 13 Literacy – May 20, 21 Math

- All Practice complete

7. SAC Budget

- Currently \$1,743.54 remaining after purchases of Chromebook Cart, donation to school supplies
- School T-Shirt Quote is approx. \$1000 (Still negotiating with provider)
- Approx. \$750 remaining