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Wednesday, April 3, 2024 6:05-6:58 pm in the school library

Attendees:

E. Griffiths, C. Iverson, J. Iverson (Chair, minutes), D. Than (Treasurer), B. Toews (School Principal), R. Wong, A. Yeung (Fundraising Coordinator)

Call to Order and Territorial Acknowledgement The meeting of the Thunderbird PAC (the “PAC”) was called to order at 6:05 pm on April 3, 2024 by J. Iverson, Chair.

Agenda The April 3, 2024 agenda was adopted by general consent.

Meeting Minutes The March 6, 2024 meeting minutes were approved by general consent.

Business Arising from the Minutes None.

Principal’s Report and Important Dates B. Toews provided the following report:

School Organization

- 196 students
- 9 divisions

What’s New

School Fees 2024-2025

- General: \$35 – covers all common classroom student supplies
- Agendas: \$5 – varying grades
- Jump Math: \$24 – varying grades
- Grade 6/7 Camp: \$200 – highly subsidized; fundraising and donations pay for a large portion of the cost
- IXL: \$15

Earth Week

Thunderbird will recognise Earth Week from April 22 to April 26, which kicks off with Earth Day on Monday, April 22 (a Pro-D Day). To keep containers out of landfills and support recycling habits, we will be collecting refundable containers for the PAC’s bottle drive fundraiser. Simply save your empties and send them to school in a clear plastic bag, if possible. All proceeds go to our grade 7 grads. Every container counts!



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For a full list of containers, see here: <https://www.return-it.ca/beverage/products/>.

VPD Basketball Game

April 24 for grade 6 and 7 students at lunchtime.

Spring Gardening

Students will be working with [SPEC](#) (Society Providing Conservation Education) in the garden. The school garden program strives to connect children to their local food systems, the natural world, and their community.

Important Dates to Remember

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

- Eid – Ramadan ends

Saturday, April 13, 2024

- Vaisakhi

Monday, April 22, 2024

- Professional Development Day
- Earth Day

Friday, April 26, 2024

- *Books for Breakfast* and PAC morning coffee @ 8:15 am

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

- Class photographs

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

- PAC meeting @ 6 pm in the library

Sunday, May 12, 2024

- Mother's Day

Monday, May 20, 2024

- Victoria Day Statutory Holiday – school closed

Friday, May 24, 2024

- Sports Day in the morning

Friday, May 31, 2024

- *Books for Breakfast* and PAC morning coffee @ 8:15 am



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Wednesday, June 5, 2024

- PAC AGM @ 6 pm in the library

Sunday, June 16, 2024

- Father's Day

Thursday, June 20, 2024

- Grade 7 Moving Forward Ceremony in the morning

Friday, June 21, 2024

- National Indigenous Peoples Day

Monday, June 24, 2024

- Report card #3 goes home

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

- School picnic – Sunrise Park

Thursday, June 27, 2024

- Last day of school

Chair's Report

J. Iverson provided the following report:

- a. Community engagement initiatives
 - i. The next coffee stand is Friday, April 26. The stand coincides with *Books for Breakfast*. Coffee will be served with breakfast.
 - ii. Members continued discussing a pub night in early-May. Bin 4 has a time limit on the space. **Action item: A. Yeung to contact Steamworks Brewery to check availability.**
 - iii. Members continued discussing Bike Fest on Wednesday, June 5. C. Iverson offered to pick up donations from Hub Cycling. R. Wong has confirmed mechanics with Nootka Bike Co. Minimum donations have been met; anything else is a bonus. **Action item: C. Iverson to pick up donations from Hub Cycling.**
 - iv. Members continued discussing the Spring Carnival on Thursday, June 13. Last month's action items are outstanding. To discuss next month: food, games, schedule, responsibilities. **Action items: S. Beamont to contact Superstore General Manager about donations (gift cards); J. Iverson to contact Red Fox Society re: entertainment.**
- b. Upcoming PAC initiatives and deadlines
 - i. Family photography session is confirmed for Saturday, April 20; if there are enough requests the photographer will also book



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Sunday, April 21. B. Toews has emailed details to the school's mailing list, J. Iverson has contacted Thunderbird Preschool and R. Wong will print paper posters for distribution around the neighbourhood. **Action items: B. Toews to add reminder to newsletter, email school's mailing list when registration opens; R. Wong to send B. Toews text for messages.**

ii. The Earth Week bottle drive is April 23-26 (April 22 is a Pro-D Day). B. Toews has a write up prepared for the newsletter. Plastic bags and printed labels are in the school office. **Action item: J. Iverson to send B. Toews a poster to include with the newsletter.**

iii. The next afterschool treat stand was rescheduled to Friday, April 19. **Action item: A. Yeung to purchase lemonade and cookies.**

iv. Members discussed grade 7 graduation activities. New ideas: photobooth, stand up paddle boarding, movie theatre experience. PAC will sponsor the picnic lunch and Moving Forward Ceremony refreshments. **Action item: J. Iverson to research movie theatre options.**

v. The Community Gaming Grant application is due by June 30. **Action item: D. Than to submit application.**

Fundraising Initiatives

Members discussed including a fundraising element in the pub night, subject to licencing requirements. **Action item: J. Iverson to confirm licencing requirements.**

A. Yeung received the final invoice from Action. 2023/24 profits are pending. J. Iverson invoiced the school \$293.70 for 2022/23 profits. A cheque is pending.

Treasurer's Report

D. Than provided the following report:

- a. As of March 31, 2024, balances of PAC accounts are as follows (see full details below):
- Gaming: \$3,966.25
 - General: \$8,768.09
 - VSB Cash Online: \$300
 - Return-It: \$1,483.15 (\$211.40 reserved for graduation activities)

J. Iverson confirmed the Cash Online account has a balance of \$300 after the meeting materials were distributed. The agenda reported \$200.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 1, 2024, 6-7 pm in the school library.



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Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.

GAMING: March 1-31, 2024			
	Amount	Date	Note
Opening Balance	4,472.25		
Expenses	6.00	March 4, 2024	Monthly fee
Deposits	N/A		
Withdrawals	500.00	March 12, 2023	Chq 41 - Thunderbird Elementary School (Story workshop supplies)
Closing Balance	3,966.25		

GENERAL: March 1-31, 2024			
	Amount	Date	Note
Opening Balance	8,910.59		
Expenses	3.75	March 4, 2024	Monthly fee
Deposits	N/A		
Withdrawals	13.41	March 14, 2024	Chq 70 - Ruby Wong
	125.34	March 25, 2024	Chq 69 - Anna Yeung
Closing Balance	8,768.09		



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Thunderbird PAC Monthly Events Calendar

To volunteer for any event, please contact pac_tbrd@vsb.bc.ca.

Dates and events are subject to change.

Date	Event	Time	Location
April 2024			
Wednesday, April 3	PAC meeting	6-7 pm	School library
Friday, April 19	Afterschool treat stand	2:30-3:30 pm	Undercover area
April 20 (April 21 TBD)	Family photography session	TBD	TBD
April 22-26	Bottle drive	All week	School
Friday, April 26	Morning coffee	8:15 am	Activity room
May 2024			
Wednesday, May 1	PAC meeting	6-7 pm	School library
May 10-11 (TBD)	Pub night	TBD	TBD
Friday, May 24	Sports Day	9-11:30 am	School
Friday, May 31	Morning coffee	8:15 am	Activity room
Friday, May 31	Afterschool treat stand	2:30-3:30 pm	Undercover area
June 2024			
Wednesday, June 5	Bike Fest	2:30-4:30 pm	School
Wednesday, June 5	PAC AGM	6-7 pm	School library
Thursday, June 13	Spring Carnival	4:30-7 pm	School
Thursday, June 20	Grade 7 Moving Forward Ceremony	Morning	School
Friday, June 21	Morning coffee	8:45-9:30 am	Undercover area
Friday, June 21	Afterschool treat stand	2:30-3:30 pm	Undercover area