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Wednesday, April 2, 2025 6:10-7:13 pm in the school library

Attendees:

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

Call to Order and Territorial Acknowledgement	The meeting of the Thunderbird PAC (the “PAC”) was called to order at 6:10 pm on April 2, 2025 by J. Iverson, Chair.
Agenda	PNE Community Grant discussion item was added to the agenda. With that, the April 2, 2025 agenda was adopted by general consent.
Meeting Minutes	The March 5, 2025 meeting minutes were approved by general consent.
Business Arising from the Minutes	The PAC has purchased a lockable cashbox for \$10.
Principal’s Report and Important Dates	B. Toews provided the following report:

School Organization

- 184 students
- 8 divisions

What’s New

Class Photos

- April 10 – AM
- Edge Imaging

School Fees 2025-2026

- General: \$35 – covers all common classroom student supplies
- Agendas: \$7 – grades (varying grades)
- Jump Math: \$26 – (varying grades)
- IXL - \$15

Earth Week

Thunderbird will recognise Earth Week from Tuesday, April 22 to Friday, April 25, which kicks off with Earth Day on Monday, April 21 (which is a stat!). To keep containers out of landfills and to support recycling habits, we will be collecting refundable containers for the PAC’s bottle drive



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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! For a full list of containers, see here:

<https://www.return-it.ca/beverage/products/>.

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.

Parent Teacher Conferences

- April 23 and 24
- Early dismissal at 2 pm
- There is a link for online bookings for some classes, and others will be sending out individual invites, depending on the format being used; Student led or individual.

UBC Chan Centre

- The UBC Chan Centre event on Sunday, April 13 @ 2 pm is a go
- 46 participants
- Bus leaves promptly at 2 pm

Important Dates to Remember

Thursday, April 10, 2025

- Class photos

Friday, April 18, 2025

- Good Friday stat holiday – No school

Monday, April 21, 2025

- Easter Monday stat holiday – No school

Wednesday and Thursday, April 23 and 24, 2025

- Parent Teacher Conferences – Early dismissal @ 2 pm

Friday, April 25, 2025

- Books for Breakfast

Monday, April 28, 2025

- Professional Development Day – No school

Monday-Wednesday, May 5-7, 2025



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- Grade 6/7 camp

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

- PAC meeting @ 6 pm in the library

Monday, May 19, 2025

- Victoria Day stat holiday – No school

Friday, May 23, 2025

- Sports Day

Friday, May 30, 2025

- Books for Breakfast

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

- PAC meeting @ 6 pm in the library

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

- PAC Spring Fair

Thursday, June 19, 2025

- Grade 7 graduation

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

- Report card #3 goes home
- Sunrise Park field trip

Thursday, June 26, 2025

- Last day of school

Chair's Report

J. Iverson provided the following report:

- a. Community engagement initiatives
 - i. Bike Fest is Wednesday, June 4. To do: print posters, get decorations (ribbons, fabric, stickers, etc.), buy snacks, create grand prize draw ballots. B. Toews will connect with teachers about helping with daily ballots. Next meeting: assign volunteers.
 - ii. Spring Carnival is Wednesday, June 18. The PAC approved \$350 for Red Fox Society. Other activities: dinner (B. Toews asking contacts about a food budget), BINGO, outdoor games, decorations (need for indoor and outdoor), popcorn machine.
Action: B. Toews asking if Community Centre has a rentable popcorn machine. May need to look elsewhere.
- b. Upcoming PAC initiatives and deadlines



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- i. A bottle drive is scheduled April 22-25 to coincide with Earth Week. Once again, all funds raised benefit grade 7 graduation activities. B. Toews will repurpose last year's communications and add to the newsletter.
- ii. Nothing to report in terms of PAC outreach. Carry item over to next meeting.
- iii. Dates for spring afterschool treat stands are TBD. PAC members agreed Friday, April 25 is too soon after Easter but Friday, May 30 could work. The stand could be combined with a TCBY frozen yogurt fundraiser.
- iv. Members discussed providing the same support as last year: group caricature, out-of-school experience (potentially Rio Theatre), picnic lunch, refreshments at graduation ceremony.
Action: J. Iverson to contact caricature artist.
- v. Community Gaming Grant application is due June 30. **Action: D. Than to prepare and submit.**

Fundraising Initiatives

R. Wong provided details about a TCBY frozen yogurt fundraiser. Orders can be placed online or via a form (cash). Each order comes labelled and with a spoon. Delivered in a freezer van. TCBY does most of the work but someone needs to be at the school to help distribute orders. **Action: C. Iverson to contact TCBY about a Friday, May 30 fundraiser.**

Treasurer's Report

D. Than provided the following report in:

- a. As of March 31, 2025, balances of PAC accounts are as follows (see full details below):
 - Gaming: \$3,914.33
 - General: \$10,307.46
 - VSB Cash Online: \$300
 - Return-It: \$155.90 (\$117.60 reserved for graduation activities)
 - Cash Float: \$198.45

J. Iverson was reimbursed \$10 cash from float at meeting for cashbox, as per Business Arising.

Executive Transition Plan

J. Iverson is stepping down as PAC Chair in June. In preparation, she is organizing files and transferring them to the PAC's Google account (ex. meeting materials, minutes). She has transferred ownership of the financial and event spreadsheets to the PAC's Gmail address. **Action: J.**



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Iverson to write email announcing resignation and soliciting interest for a new Chair. B. Toews will circulate to the school's mailing list.

Other Business

None.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 7, 2025, 6-7 pm in the school library.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm.

GAMING: March 1 - 31, 2025

	Amount	Date	Note
Opening Balance	3,920.33		
Expenses	6.00	March 3, 2025	Monthly fee
Deposits	N/A		
Withdrawals	N/A		
Closing Balance	3,914.33		

GENERAL: March 1 - 31, 2025

	Amount	Date	Note
Opening Balance	10,311.21		
Expenses	3.75	March 3, 2025	Monthly fee
Deposits	N/A		
Withdrawals	N/A		
Closing Balance	10,307.46		



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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	Volunteers needed?
April 2025				
Wednesday, April 2	PAC meeting	6-7 pm	School library	No
April 21-25	Bottle drive	All week	School	No
May 2025				
Wednesday, May 7	PAC meeting	6-7 pm	School library	No
Friday, May 30	Afterschool treat stand - TBC	2:30-3:30 pm	Undercover area	No
June 2025				
Wednesday, June 4	Bike Fest	TBD	School	Yes
Wednesday, June 4	PAC AGM	6-7 pm	School library	No
Wednesday, June 18	Spring Carnival	4:30-7 pm	School	Yes