

**In Attendance:**

**PAC Members:** Kim Leifso (Co-President), Sandra Young (Co-President), Angela Sawatzky (Treasurer), Renee Arbo (Secretary), Danielle Maher, Shannon Twiss

**Staff:** Mr. Harris

**Guests:** none at this meeting

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**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Co-President, Kim Leifso

**Welcome & Introductions & Land acknowledgement**

**Minutes:** The minutes of the May 2025 meeting were adopted.

**Principal's Report (J. Harris) - 7:08 PM**

- Currently 926 students enrolled
- 2 teachers got married and one got engaged
- Staff are working together to create mentorship time amongst themselves with the support of admin.
- Power of Connection is emphasized with and staff and the students – it's difficult for students to learn if they don't feel connected
- Poppy is looking to create an optimal environment for all students to flourish
- Student Assembly – recently grade level assemblies were held for all students to set clear expectations for the year
- Cell Phones / air pods / apple watches – per ministry requirements they are to be put away and turned off. But if on occasion additional tech is needed in the classroom the teachers may ask students to use their phones
- Recently held a successful Spirit Week and raised money for the Terry Fox Foundation with 'Pie in the Face' of some teachers/admin
- Building Projects around the school
  - o Benches, new flooring on the first floor, new flags, lockers painted, red zone painted, logos around the school, cafeteria space (wanting a new name!), waiting for 30 more chairs for cafeteria
  - o Old grad photos were taken down, but will be hung again. All were scanned, as well as all yearbooks, and will be available for viewing digitally.
- Projects for 2025/26
  - o Roofing completed, phase 2 of the front of school, painting the school, fields serviced 2x's per year, new computer lab completed, new technology added (110 new laptops added. New video cameras)
- Principal Harris confirmed that the semester turnaround days are on the Poppy school calendar
- Last day of classes is June 18th
- Garden area in front of the school is part of phase 2
- Soaps back in the washrooms
- Emergency Evacuations
  - Met with district to debrief
  - Two threats were deemed low risk by RCMP
  - Communications to families released in collaboration with RCMP - which tends to be vague

**Co-President's Report (K. Leifso & S. Young) - 8:06 PM**

- Sandra - BCCPAC  
They had an AGM and we gave proxy to DPAC  
They replied to us on the day of the meeting (during the meeting) and needed us to send a signed agreement to the proxy right then. This was done by Sandra and Renee  
Tisha offered to buy us doughnuts as a thank you.

**Treasurer's Report (A. Sawatzky) - 8:09 PM**

- Looking into changing banks
- Best two options are Coast Capital and Vancity - credit unions
- We need 2 accounts
- Looking into how we close Beem account
- Renee made a motion to open 2 accounts at Coast Capital (once this has occurred, we will close the Beem accounts) 2nd by Sandra. All in favour. Motion carried

**DPAC Report** – currently we do not have a DPAC rep

**New Business 8:20 PM**

- Dates for future PAC meetings (listed below)
- Dates for holiday treats for staff and bus drivers - Thursday, December 11
- Teacher requests - forms went out to teachers requesting use of funds from gaming grant
  - Not curricular
  - You must get what you requested (specifically)

**Meeting Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8.42 PM by Kim.

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**Upcoming Meetings**

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| ● October 28, 2025  | ● February 23, 2026  |
| ● November 24, 2025 | ● April 28, 2026     |
| ● January 27, 2026  | ● May 25, 2026 - AGM |

**Meetings are held at 7 PM in the Library Learning Commons. Hope to see you there!**

*PAC MEETING MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE DW POPPY WEBSITE*