



# TAMANAWIS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Caring Community, Engaged Learners, Inspired Citizens

## PAC Meeting Minutes

Thursday September 11th, 2025

**Meeting called to order @1831 PM**

**10 in attendance, including Parents, Students, Staff and PAC Executive**

### **PAC Executive**

- Mandy Waggett – Chair
- Vacant– Co-Chair
- Chaye Woodford– Treasurer
- Sundeep Purewal – Secretary
- Vacant-DPAC Representative

### **Staff**

- James Johnston – Principal

### **1. Approval of PAC Meeting Minutes for May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

- Motion to accept by 1<sup>st</sup> Chaye and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ruby
- Motion carried; Minutes approved

### **2. Principal's Report (James Johnston)**

- Very smooth start to the school year.
- Large group of grade 12s this year, energetic group of grade 8s. Last night we held a Parents' Night for grade 8's and it was a big turn out. Parents were encouraged to become involved in school as in attending PAC meetings.
- We are trying to get our kids to bring in their school spirit. On Friday's will be spirit day, all grades encouraged to wear school gear and/or school colors to show their school spirit.
- As many may have noticed now the blue fencing at the school, this is a big 3-year project for the school's expansion building. On pace for 2028 opening. Due to the construction, we have lost some parking spots. We do still have some students' spots. The students have been told to register their cars, and they will receive a parking pass. Contract manager has warned that at times drop off loop may be closed due to heavy equipment coming into the parking lot and this is for safety reasons. Weight room will be demolished as expansion will be on that end. Construction hasn't impacted school too much yet, except for parking lot.
- Few more requests for finances this year PAC will notice as school is spending money in expanding/updating different areas of the school.
- Had boat cruise ticket sales today and it appears to have gone well.

### **3. Chair's Report (Mandy)**

- Discussed requests for field trip buses, last year we said no to buses as there were too many requests and with the gaming grant it would take a big chunk out of the grant. So, the thought of keeping it the same for this year where PAC will not cover field trip buses. Buses that will be covered, will be for grad and the bases program. This was put to a vote that field trip buses won't be covered by PAC-Motion put forward by Mandy, 1<sup>st</sup> Sundeep, 2<sup>nd</sup> Parmjit. Voted, and all in favor.

- There are a few requests right now, but tabling to next meeting till gaming grant is received.
- No DPAC rep right now, let Mandy know if anyone is interested.

#### **5. Treasurer's Report (Chaye)**

- Account Balance- \$13,420.87
- Awaiting to hear back regarding approval of Gaming Grant for this coming year.

#### **6. DPAC Representatives Report (Position Vacant)**

#### **7. Committee Report – Dry Grad**

- Boat cruise ticket sales went well. Sold 216 ticket, 4 buses sold out, considering adding a 5<sup>th</sup> bus. We will now be opening a waitlist as boat has capacity for more kids, so might secure a 5<sup>th</sup> bus if needed. For those tickets they will be sold online. Students seem positive, air of excitement. Trying to make students responsible for fundraising.

#### **8. Old Business**

- No old business to discuss

#### **9. New Business**

- No new Business

#### **10. Open Forum**

- Parent asked how will fire drills be affected during construction, Mr. Johnston said we will still get out quickly out of the school but may take longer to get to meeting points. The importance is getting outside quickly.
- Parent asked do security cameras work at the school. Mr. Johnston said they do work, but when new building is in place all the cameras will need to be updated.
- Parent asked will the upper field drop off be affected by construction. Mr. Johnston stated the staircase may be affected in the future that comes down from upper field to the school.

**Next PAC meeting:** Thursday October 2nd, 2025, at 6:30pm. ***Meeting Adjourned @ 18:54 PM, Motion to accept, Motion carried, all approved. 10 in attendance, including Parents, Students, Staff and PAC Executive***

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