** JAMES THOMPSON ELEMENTARY**

**PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)**

**Meeting Minutes Wednesday May 21, 2025**

**IN ATTENDANCE**: Nicolle Kit (Chair), Pavan Padda (Vice Chair), Gillian Yen (Secretary), Kevin Vines (Principal), Sarah Wong (Treasurer), Jo Wei, Albert Wei, Kay Li, Karen, Alice, Gurjit, Jen, Sherry & Tom, Angela, Catherine Wang, Danna.

**CALL TO ORDER** 9:05 am Nicolle Kit welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

Pavan **MOVED** the motion to approve minutes from the April 16, 2025 PAC meeting. Jo **SECONDED** the motion. All in favour. **MOTION CARRIED**.

**FIRST CALLS OF NOMINATIONS**  
Victoria nominated Sarah to be the Treasurer.

Victoria nominated Nicolle to be the PAC Chair.

Nicolle nominated Victoria to be the Co-Vice Chair.

Jen nominated Gillian to be the Secretary.

Jo nominated Pavan to be Vice Chair.

Angela MOVED and Sarah SECONDED these nominations.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

We haven’t closed for the year but will get an update in September. Sarah is shadowing as the Treasurer in the meantime.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

1. Celebrations and Appreciation – Deep gratitude for your support and everything that you are doing both behind the scenes and out front with supporting your children and our school.
2. Celebrate the SYL Assembly - Amazing talent show beyond the curriculum. Bringing our community together with heart and passion at the center. High-level of engagement over – almost 70 students involved, from all grades.
3. Track Meet May 20th – grade 4-7’s. A recognition of all the work and effort that made this such a success for our students.
4. Sharing Assembly May 30th at 9:10am – Social Responsibility, “The Little Hummingbird” by Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas. This will be aligned with National Indigenous Month - Teachings/Learnings, Taking Care of PLACE, doing hard things, doing what you can.
5. Sports Day on June 6th (Rainout re-schedule is June 13th)
6. LEARNING Update #5 – Published on MyEd – June 26th. Teachers comment on:

Proficiency scale descriptors for learners in all areas of learning (K-7). Feedback is based on what the student can do and what they are working towards.” Comments that inform families that the student self-assessment of the Core Competencies and student goal setting will be sent home on paper or digitally. This will be included in the school message box.

1. Year-end Assembly on June 26th at 9:10am – all families welcome.
2. Welcome to K tomorrow; May 22nd from 10-11:30. Welcoming families and students who will join us next year in K.
3. Grade 7 May 23rd Orientation at Burnett. June 10th at Spanish Banks 9:15am-1pm. June 24th - Farewell Assembly at 9:30am.
4. UBC TOC’s: Currently in the core of their practicum, last day at Thompson - June 6th
5. Thompson enrollment for next year. We will be losing one division, about 30 students less. Ms. Smyrnis won’t be with us next year.
6. IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

* Earthquake Drill May 30th
* Sharing Assembly May 30th
* Band Concert – June 5th
* Student Leadership Lunch – June 12th
* Missy D Performance at 1pm – June 17th

**Sports Day**

PAC will be doing snack sales on Sports Day. Nicolle suggested having a bigger budget for Sports Day. We have already purchased some snacks. We will need parent volunteer help on that day.

**Fundraising**

Albert would like to know what our fundraising goals are in future years. Pavan said we can start with fundraising. We can’t solicit but we can raise money from focus projects like fundraising events. For next year, Nicolle would like to have a fundraising committee. Kevin suggested that it’s important to be cautious having too many little fundraisers instead of focusing on one event like a walkathon. Jo suggested we make use of the parent chat group if that can be put into the WAAG.

**PAC Executive for 2025/2026**

Second Call for Nomination. No new nomination. Appointed by acclamation:

1. Nicolle Lit, Chair
2. Pavan Padda, Vice Chair
3. Victoria Lo, Co-Vice Chair
4. Gillian Yen, Secretary
5. Sarah Wong, Treasurer

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**PAC Meeting will be on Friday**

We will be moving PAC meetings from Wednesday to Fridays in September. PAC would like to thank all the parents who helped. Yvonne and Linda have found Karen, Rachel, Alice to continue helping with hot lunch.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.

**NEXT PAC MEETING:** September 2025 TBA at James Thompson Library