

P.A.C. GENERAL MEETING MINUTES April 23, 2025 7:00 – 8:00 pm Meeting held via Zoom

Present at the Meeting: ~20 attendees

P.A.C. Team:

Stephanie Clark – Co Chair (Absent)

Stephen Smart - Co Chair

Vanessa Mitchell – Events

Erin Alexander – Treasurer (Absent)

Lindsay Carlson – Secretary

Sarah Andrews- Fundraising Chair (Absent)

Julie Hebb – Volunteer & Class Rep Coordinator

Jocelyn Chang – After School Programs (Absent)

Haley Park – Hot Lunch Coordinator

Catherine Kowalski- Hot Lunch Volunteer Coordinator (Absent)

Amanda O'Reilly - District PAC Rep (Absent)

Saman Hamidi – Communications & IT (Absent)

Kendra Low – Safety Committee Lead & Past Chair

Canyon Heights Administration:

Kevin Ward – Principal

Sarah Dawson – Vice Principal (Absent)

Meeting Members:

There were approximately 13 additional parents in attendance

1. Call to Order

Speaker: Stephen Smart (PAC Co-Chair)

• **Time**: 7:03 PM

2. Land Acknowledgement

• **Speaker**: Stephen Smart (PAC Co-Chair)

3. Approval of Previous Minutes (Feb 2025)

- Motion: Vanessa Mitchell
- Seconded: Kendra Low
- Vote: Unanimous approval

4. Guest Presentation – Foundry North Shore

- Speakers: Nicole Kennedy and Sarah Cormack
- Foundry North Shore provides integrated health and wellness services for youth aged 12–24.
- Services include drop-in mental health support, primary care, substance use education, peer and parent support, and group programs.
- Nicole emphasized the importance of early education and communication, including sessions in schools on vaping and mental wellness.
- Grade 6/7 presentations will be coming to Canyon Heights next year.
- Parents are encouraged to follow Foundry on social media or visit foundrybc.ca for more information.
- Nicole invited parents to get involved through the Foundry Ambassadors program.
- Presentation included Q&A and discussion about signs of youth mental health concerns.

4. School Update

- Speaker: Principal Kevin Ward
- Encouraged parents of Grade 4 and 7 students to complete the Student Learning Survey (due May 9).
- Reinforced the school's collaboration with Foundry.

5. PAC Updates

Safety Update (Kendra)

- March 31 Safety Blitz: Included RCMP, ICBC, and other partners. Kids created "Think of Me" cards for drivers.
- Ongoing discussions with the District for further traffic safety improvements.
- Bike, Walk & Roll to School Week: June 2–5.
- Bike Rodeo scheduled for June 3 (K–3 students)
- Prizes for class participation.

Hot Lunch Survey Results (Stephen)

- ~100 responses received.
- Majority order lunch 1–2 times per week or more.
- Most respondents are satisfied with the current frequency and variety.
- Feedback included suggestions for new vendors and requests for healthier options and varied portion sizes.
- ~10 new volunteers indicated interest.

Events Update (Vanessa)

- Pancake Breakfast: May 9
 - \$5 per person; proceeds to PAC.
 - o Run by Lions Club; volunteers needed.
 - Bring your own plate and utensils
- Music Fest: Tickets launching soon on Munchalunch.
 - o Food trucks, vendors, auction table, and activities.
- Two Rivers Meat Fundraiser: Returning in June, pick-up before Father's Day.

- Merchandise: Spring/summer items coming soon.
- Canyon Cup (Sports Day): School-led, returning this year with PAC volunteer support.

Treasurer's Update (Stephen shared on Erin's behalf)

- Healthy account balance, including gaming grant funds.
- Notable spending:
 - o \$22K on classroom audio upgrades.
 - ~\$10K on teacher iPads.
- Upcoming expenses:
 - o New ukuleles.
 - o Event support.
 - Safety and wellness initiatives.
- Next gaming grant submission complete; expecting ~\$7,500.

Questions? Contact the treasurer: treasurer@canyonheightspac.org

Other Business

- Kid's Books raised \$100 for the school library via family purchases.
- No further business was raised.

6. New Business

• **Next Meeting**: Scheduled for June 17 at 7:00 pm.

7. Close of Meeting

• Time: 7:45 PM

Submitted by Lindsay Carlson, Secretary:

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Signed by Stephen Smart, Co Chair:

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