

TRAFALGAR MIDDLE SCHOOL PAC MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM in the Library

(Video conference link will also be available)

Present: Lori Wassenaar, Bruce Ramsay (treasurer), Jon Breisnes (chair), Selena Davis, Tim Mushumanski, Antonia Banyard (secretary), Lorien Quattrochi (DPAC rep).

1. Welcome, Introductions and Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge, respect and honour the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Trafalgar Middle School PAC operates and all Indigenous Peoples residing within the boundaries of School District #8.

2. Review and Approval of Agenda

1st/ Bruce; 2nd Selena

3. Minutes – review and approval of March Minutes

1st/Bruce; 2nd Lori

4. Treasurer’s Report – Bruce (see full report for April and May below)

5. Principal’s Report – Tim (see full report for April and May below)

Tim discussed his view of the change in the Ab Ed program.

It hasn’t been confirmed yet.

6. DPAC Report – Lorien

Jon and Lorien went to BCCPAC AGM a couple of weeks ago. Keynote speaker was Hannah Beach (<https://hannahbeach.ca/>), a psychologist who writes about play and anxiety. Lorien would like to bring her up for some parent education. Several MPs attended. There is a huge backlog in deferred maintenance at schools. The other part of the AGM was devoted to matters of democracy and elections.

7. New and Continued Business:

- BCCPAC AGM (see above)
- 2026/2027 Prep

Toni and Selena will not be on the PAC next year.

The executive would like the AGM to happen in the first meeting, to avoid a last-minute scramble. Bruce suggests that Tim sends out an email about the AGM to at the beginning of September, to give parents enough notice.

PAC members could show up for new student orientation.

- Personal Devices

The trial period is almost over, but policy is going to stay! Success has been remarkable. Tim will be giving a webinar for Toronto Metropolitan University. Go Tim!

- Author Presentation - Elephant Mountain Lit

Troy Sebastian presented to Grade 8 and 9s today. It was a success. (This presentation was paid by Elephant Mountain Literary Society.)

Other: Selena reported that School Streets received \$10K grant for a one-week pilot. The money will run through the PAC next year. (Selena to confirm this.)

School Streets provide children with safer environments that encourage physical activity by created car-free spaces on streets in front of schools at the start and/or end of the school day.

FINAL MEETING OF 2025/26 – June 9 2026

PAC TREASURER REPORT APRIL 14. 2026

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COMMUNITY ACCOUNT CURRENT BALANCE **\$ 9,404.13** \$2.00 MONTHLY FEE ALREADY DEDUCTED

CHEQUES OUTSTANDING

YOGA PROCEEDS QUEBEC EXCHANGE # 155 -\$ 316.90
 CALCULATED ACTUAL COMMUNITY ACCOUNT PAC FUNDS **\$ 9,087.23**

ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY ACCOUNT PAC FUNDS HELD BY TMS **\$ 1,370.25**

ESTIMATED AGGREGATE COMMUNITY ACCOUNT FUNDS **\$ 10,457.48** **** ESTIMATE ONLY !!**

AB ED MURAL PROJECT -\$ 1,000.00

SCREEN PRINTING EQUIPMENT - COMMITTED AMOUNT - UP TO -\$ 4,000.00

NET AVAILABLE COMMUNITY FUNDS **\$ 5,457.48** ******

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RECONCIATION TO PRIOR PAC MEETING

GAMING ACCOUNT ACTUAL BANK BALANCE **\$ 6,775.62**

GAMING ACCOUNT PRIOR BALANCE (PAC MEETING DECEMBER 1.2025) **\$ 12,475.62**

DEPOSITS NIL

CHEQUES CASHED

#138 BAND TRAVEL FUNDING	\$ 3,000.00	
#139 QUEBEC EXCHANGE TRAVEL FUNDING	\$ 2,000.00	
#140 GRLS CLUB FUNDING	\$ 600.00	
#141 BAR REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 100.00	- 5,700.00

PREDICTED BALANCE 6,775.62

GAMING ACCOUNT ACTUAL BANK BALANCE **\$ 6,775.62**

SHOULD BE ZERO: \$ -

CALCULATION TO ACTUAL GAMING FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ALLOCATE

CHEQUES OUTSTANDING

PAC ADMIN RE: HARDSHIP FUNDING SKI PROGRAM #142 -\$ 2,892.67

ADDITIONAL COMMITTED AMOUNTS:

<i>AB ED MURAL PROJECT</i>	500.00	
<i>BOYS BASKETBALL SD8 SPONSOR TEACHER - UP TO</i>	\$ 1,300.00	
SUB-TOTAL	\$ 1,800.00	-\$ 1,800.00

FUND RAISING PROGRAMS UNDERWAY (INVOLVING PAC GAMING FUNDS)

BAND:	NIL	
QUEBEC EXCHANGE TRIP	NIL	YES BUT COMMUNITY ACCOUNT
BASKETBALL:	NIL	

GAMING ACCOUNT CALCULATED NET AVAILABLE BALANCE **\$ 2,082.95**

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PAC TREASURER REPORT MAY 12. 2026

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COMMUNITY ACCOUNT CURRENT BALANCE **\$ 9,085.23** \$2.00 MONTHLY FEE ALREADY DEDUCTED

CHEQUES OUTSTANDING

NIL \$ -
CALCULATED ACTUAL COMMUNITY ACCOUNT PAC FUNDS **\$ 9,085.23**

ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY ACCOUNT PAC FUNDS HELD BY TMS **\$ 1,370.25**

ESTIMATED AGGREGATE COMMUNITY ACCOUNT FUNDS **\$ 10,455.48** ** ESTIMATE ONLY !!

AB ED MURAL PROJECT - COMMITTED AMOUNT **-\$ 1,000.00**

SCREEN PRINTING EQUIPMENT - COMMITTED AMOUNT - UP TO **-\$ 4,000.00**

NET AVAILABLE COMMUNITY FUNDS **\$ 5,455.48** ****

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RECONCIATION TO PRIOR PAC MEETING

GAMING ACCOUNT ACTUAL BANK BALANCE **\$ 3,882.95**

GAMING ACCOUNT PRIOR BALANCE (PAC MEETING APRIL 14 2026) **\$ 6,775.62**

DEPOSITS NIL

CHEQUES CASHED

#142 TMS SKI PROGRAM HARDSHIP FUNDING	\$ 2,892.67		
NIL	\$ -		
NIL	\$ -		
NIL	\$ -	-	2,892.67

PREDICTED BALANCE 3,882.95

GAMING ACCOUNT ACTUAL BANK BALANCE **\$ 3,882.95**

SHOULD BE ZERO: \$ -

CALCULATION TO ACTUAL GAMING FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ALLOCATE

CHEQUES OUTSTANDING

NIL \$ -

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BASKETBALL:	NIL

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Trafalgar PAC
April 14, 2026
Principal's Report

Communication about concerns If you have concerns with an SD8 process or decision, check out the following (<https://www.sd8.bc.ca/parents-students/communication>) to see proper channels to address the situation and resolve the concern. Your principal can help with any situation!

Enrollment Update

Grade	Current year	26/27 year
Grade 6	107 (3EN+2FR)	101 (3EN+2FR)
Grade 7	141 (3EN+3FR)	121 (3EN+2FR)
Grade 8	125 (3EN+2FR)	151 (3EN+3FR)
Grade 9	168 (4EN+2FR)	125 (3EN+2FR)
Totals	541	498

Grade 6, 7, 8 Course Selection We are starting the process of gathering course selection information from students. Planning for next year is in full swing. Parents have all received emails outlining the process for their child as course selection looks different for each grade.

LLE Term 3 We have started the final Life Long Exploration courses for the year. Students have this week to make any changes (due to exceptional circumstances) to their LLE3 and then we will be locked in. We are full-on with “pick ‘em and stick ‘em” with LLEs this year!

Year End Trips We are busy getting our year-end trips together for the 25/26. We have established grade 9s travelling to Pines Camp in Grand Forks for two nights of fun and team-building as a send-off to LVR for them. The dates for this trip are June 17, 18 and 19. Our successful over-night adventure to Mirror Lake has encouraged us to do it again with our grade 8s. Our group of 125ish students will tent at Mirror Lake on June 18 and 19. Both year-end trips have costs attached to them and parents have been notified in late winter so hopefully we will have all of our students participating and celebrating with us on those days.

Early Dismissal We have two early dismissal days coming up on April 22 and 23. We have already fulfilled our reporting requirements with our open house in September and our parent-teacher interviews in the fall. Parents are always welcome to reach out to teachers for updates on their child's learning but we will not be setting up any formal parent-teacher conferences this April. Some teachers will reach out directly to parents if they see the need for extra support for their students.

School Fees Comparison In year's past Trafalgar has passed along costs for Options courses and LLEs. At \$40 for Options and \$40 for LLEs and a school of 600 students, the revenues and expenditures were as high as \$48000. Without passing along costs to parents, we have a rough additional budget of \$25000 to support both Options and LLEs.

Spring sports We have formed a golf team and an archery team for the spring season in the BC School Sports organization. Golf travels to as many as 4 tournaments before the Zones playdowns. We are still working on archery and how they will compete this season.

Important Dates Coming Up:

Apr 17	TMS Jersey day
Apr 17	DEAR @ 11:50-12:20 (Grades 6-8)
Apr 22+23:	Early dismissal days (one hour early)
May 4-6	Book fair in our library
May 6	Elementary Reading Link Challenge at TMS (library closed in AM)
May 12	Troy Sebastain author visit to TMS
May 18	Victoria Day (no school)
May 25	Pro-D Day (no classes for students)

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Totals	555	505

Grade 5 and New Student Orientation Tentatively planned for June 3, Trafalgar will welcome all new students to a half-morning of orientation, tours, questions and answers. Students and staff from our six feeder schools (Blewett, Rosemont, South Nelson, Hume, Redfish and Wildflower) will gather at our flagpole at 8:30ish where Principal Mushumanski and team will welcome them and divide them up for tours of the building. Half of our grade 9s (80 of them) will be leaving the building for their orientation visit to LVR at the same time. The other half will go to LVR for the morning of June 4. All dates are tentative!

Grade 6, 7, 8 Course Selection Course selection is pretty much finished for Trafalgar and the admin team now has the task of putting together classes and staff assignments for 26/27. A reduction in overall enrollment makes a few decisions a little more challenging.

Library Books As our year winds down, we are asking parents and students to have a good look around home for any Trafalgar library books. Please start sending those library books back to us as soon as possible so we can ensure they are ready for the next school year!

Year End Trips We have planned our year-end trips with grade 9s visiting Pines Camp in Grand Forks for two nights of fun and team-building as a send-off to LVR for them. The dates for this trip are June 17, 18 and 19 and the cost is \$260 per student. Grade 8 students are heading to Mirror Lake (near Kaslo) on June 18 as well for a one-night camp out. The cost for Mirror Lake is \$50 per student. Both extra-curricular trips have significant costs associated with them; families are welcome to access reduced or fully-funded subsidies for either trip. Cost should not be a barrier to participate in these year-ending events!

Grade 9 Art Exhibition at the Oxygen Art Centre Our Grade 9 students are putting the finishing touches on their artwork for Trafalgar Middle School's first art exhibition! This exciting showcase celebrates creativity, with students sharing pieces they're proud of and genuinely enjoyed creating. Guided by art teacher Sharon Inkpen, they've explored bold ideas across multiple mediums while expanding their creative thinking. The exhibition runs from May 20–23. The opening night celebration is on Wednesday, May 20th at 5:00 p.m.

Important Dates Coming Up:

May 14: Moosehide March
May 15: Creston Youth Powwow
May 20: Grade 8 art exhibition opens

Jun 2: New parent orientation @ 6 pm in the FAC (tentative)
Jun 3: Half of Grade 9s to LVR for orientation (tentative)
Jun 3: Grade 5s visit Trafalgar from 8:40 to 10:28ish (tentative)
Jun 10: Last day of LLE3 (no LLEs on June 18!)
Jun 17: Pines Camp for grade 9s
Jun 18: Mirror Lake for grade 8s
Jun 22: Trafalgar Lakeside Day
Jun 24: Last day (assembly, noon dismissal)
Jun 24: Learnings summaries posted to the parent portal