



# McGirr PAC

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**Date:** April 13, 2026

**Location:** Learning Lab

**Attendees:** Robbie D, Nancy R, Kim W, Linda B, Sondra P, Twyla S

**Read our constitution and bylaws:** [McGirr Elementary PAC Constitution, Bylaws & Operations \(Official Copy, Formatted Word Doc\) June 2025.docx](#)

**View previous meeting minutes:** <https://www.mcgirr-pac.ca/meetings>

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action(s)
Call to Order & Chair’s Welcome (Nancy R)	Nancy calls to order at 6:22pm.	
Land Acknowledgment	“We acknowledge that we live, work, learn, and play on the unceded and traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples – Snaw Naw As, Snuneymuxw, and Stz’uminus Nations”	
Approval of Last Month’s Minutes	Nancy motions to approve, Kim seconds.	
Additions to Agenda?	Linda B to present proposal for Makerspace after school program.	
Acceptance of Agenda	Nancy motions to approve, Kim seconds.	
Babysitters tonight	Eva F and Eva G	

<p>Principal's Report (Mr. Dhillon)</p>	<p><b>GENERAL UPDATE</b> Current enrolment is 470 students.</p> <p><b>NEW STAFF</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Sandy Birkeland (Library Clerk)</li> <li>• Ms. Janet Nelson (VP)</li> <li>• Ms. Stephanie Prechel (Grade 5 Monday and Friday)</li> <li>• Ms. Ocean Anderson (Grade 6, Student Teacher, Mr. Brand's class) April 7-May 15</li> </ul> <p><b>DATES &amp; EVENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• February 23: Last Meeting</li> <li>• February 25: Pink Shirt Day</li> <li>• February 26: PAC Movie Night</li> <li>• March 9: PAC Hot lunch</li> <li>• March 16-27: Spring Break</li> <li>• March 30: School reopened from Spring Break</li> <li>• April 2: PAC Pizza Lunch</li> <li>• April 3 and 6: Good Friday and Easter Monday</li> <li>• April 6: NS 3 (PAC) Program (Grades 4-7)</li> <li>• April 8: First of 4 or 5 at school track practices</li> <li>• April 12: Art Project (PAC) Fundraiser Due</li> <li>• April 13: Tonight's meeting</li> <li>• April 16: Kindergarten and Grade 6 immunizations</li> <li>• April 24: School Based Pro-D day</li> <li>• April 27: District Based Pro-D day</li> <li>• May 1: School Track meet (at Rotary Bowl near NDSS) Grades 3 to 7</li> <li>• May 11: Next PAC meeting</li> <li>• May 12: Grade 7 Tour at Dover Bay</li> </ul> <p>• We have some work being done on the drainage at the back of the school (where the water pools)...hopefully this work is complete by the end of June</p>	
<p>Treasurer's Report (Kim W)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teacher reimbursements 11/20 divisions received and reimbursed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kim W will send email reminder to remaining teachers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Feb Movie Night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Lower turn out than December, concession made \$91</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Pizza day came in at \$1756, just under last year's cost, great job organizing Nancy!</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nanaimo Science camps are being run at break even</li> <li>• Gaming grant application open, will submit before next meeting</li> <li>• Pinnies have been ordered</li> </ul>	
Funding priorities for the year ahead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solar powered motion flood light TBD</li> <li>• Playground - ongoing fund for future project</li> </ul>	Twyla to look into info about solar powered motion light
Stewardship Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linda B sent proposal to Robbie D and he agreed to share it at the next staff meeting</li> <li>• Proposed for 2027/28 school year</li> </ul>	
Upcoming Events & Fundraisers	<p><b>Card Project</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring card project orders closed April 13th</li> <li>• Card project 2026/27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jessa to book for winter 2026 when it opens in May</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Coupon Book</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed for September 2026</li> <li>• Nancy to coordinate with Marla</li> </ul> <p><b>Spring Dance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not going forward for 2026, potential consideration for 2027</li> </ul> <p><b>Funfair</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update from planning committee: Kim, Keely, and Nancy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Inflatifun and food trucks have been booked</li> <li>○ Prize donations to be coordinated</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Open Roles on PAC for 2025/26	<p><b>Fundraising coordinator:</b> vacant</p> <p><b>DPAC Representative:</b> vacant</p> <p><b>Members at large:</b> Linda B</p>	
PAC Roles for 2026/27	<p><b>All PAC executive terms are up this year, and we will be voting in a new executive team in June.</b></p> <p><b>Chair</b> – Nancy R has completed 2 years</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> - Kim W has completed 3 years</p> <p><b>Secretary</b> – Dianna D and Sondra P currently sharing role</p>	Kim to reach out to parent who expressed interest to see if they would like to take over Treasurer

<p>Other Business/ Discussions</p>	<p><b>Fun lunches</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update from Pauline re proposed list of vendors?</li> </ul> <p><b>Nanaimo Science club</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Groups filled quickly</li> <li>• Potential for fall groups if facilities available</li> </ul> <p><b>Makerspace</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linda proposed a monthly Makerspace for after school</li> <li>• School would need to acquire supplies or share supplies with other schools</li> <li>• Monthly 2 hour group with required sign up, \$10 to help replace supplies</li> <li>• Teacher and parent volunteers would be needed</li> <li>• STEM funding grants may be available and some business may donate</li> </ul> <p><b>DPAC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 30<sup>th</sup> DPAC meeting on capital projects at 1111 Dufferin Crescent 5:30pm</li> <li>• Linda B may attend</li> </ul> <p><b>BCCPAC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BC Parent engagement session April 22nd on Zoom 7pm-8:30pm</li> <li>• <a href="https://bccpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5ce4c360a02f3e3d90abca386&amp;id=615f73a7fa&amp;e=4dc609eb70">https://bccpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5ce4c360a02f3e3d90abca386&amp;id=615f73a7fa&amp;e=4dc609eb70</a></li> </ul>	<p>Linda to speak to Robbie about facility availability for fall Nanaimo Science groups</p> <p>Linda to work on proposal and budget sheet for Makerspace</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Nancy adjourns meeting at 7:50pm.</p>	