

Dr. Thomas A. Swift Elementary PAC Meeting

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Hot Lunch: swifthotlunch@gmail.com

Fundraising: taswiffundraising@gmail.com

Date: April 21, 2026

Location: Library

Minutes taken by: Jennifer Russell

Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Keri Buxton

Attendance

Shannon Kenney (Principal), Keri Buxton, Melissa Tanner, Michelle Jone, Shelby Krunick, Danielle McKenzie, Amy MacKenzie, Rosie Beauette, Jessica Friesen, Jordan Zimmerman,

Introductions & What Is PAC

- Introduce the Executive team for the 2025/2026 year
 - Keri Buxton – President
 - Melissa Tanner – Vice President
 - Jennifer Russell – Secretary
 - Shelby Krunick – Treasurer
- PAC is the parent community of Swift. We work closely with admin and the staff to support, encourage, and provide assistance to enhance the quality of the education and well being of the students, and to enhance communication between the parents, students and the staff.

Approval Of Previous Meeting Minutes

- March Meeting Minutes have not been uploaded to the website as yet. Stay tuned.

Principal's Report – Shannon Kenney

Land Acknowledgment:

Éy swáyel. We acknowledge that Abbotsford School District is located on the unceded and traditional territory the Semá:th First Nation and Máthxwi First Nation. With this, we respect the longstanding relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers.

Updates:

Any parents interested in volunteering must complete a Criminal Record Check (this is done through the School Board Office) and a Volunteer Application (this is done through school). All information is on the website. This must be completed before you can volunteer in any capacity at school/field trips. We will be including this information again in kindergarten info packs in the summer. Christine has been updating those who have CRCs expiring this year!

- Many Year End events are being planned
- Field trips coming up including - Mill Lake, Rolly Lake, Whonnock Lake, Fort Langley, Vancouver Aquarium, Vancouver Zoo, Clearbrook Library, Civic Tours, Stave Falls Powerhouse, Aldergrove Water Park, Track and Field...

- Be sure to keep an eye on your School Cash accounts for payment and permission
- Sports Day – June 12th – more information will come from Mrs. M later in May
- Welcome to Kindergarten – May 21 @ 5:30 for our incoming Ks
- Planning for next year is well underway –
- Class placement requests for next year will be sent out early May – please remember not all requests can be accommodated and there is a lot of time put into the creation of class lists
- School Supply lists and order forms will also be available in May
- Registrations are still ongoing – to comply with collective agreement language there will more than likely be many combined grade classes at all levels.
- Budget Consultation – April 1 – 30th on the Abbotsford School District | Engagement Portal
- There is a video on the Engagement Portal which the Secretary-Treasurer shares all the ins and outs of the budget
- Please participate in the survey – the budgeting process is very cyclical – it doesn't really ever end, but all districts are required to submit their future year budget by June 30th to the Ministry.

Treasurer's Report – Shelby Krunick

**PLEASE SEE PAC WEBSITE
MOST UPTO DATE FIGURES**

Fundraising Report –

Past Fundraiser Updates:

- **Candy Sale and Panago sales this past month. Both were successful.**
- **Panago sales were \$508**
- **Candy Sales were \$394 (est.)**

Upcoming Fundraisers:

- Book Sale this May.

Ongoing Fundraisers:

- **Mabel's Labels:**
 - www.mabelslabels.ca - select "support a fundraiser", select "Swift" – PAC gets 20% on every order!
- **Bottle Depot:**
 - This is an ongoing fundraiser at any Return It location. Bring in your blue bags of empties, enter the schools phone number 604-853-7730 into the self serve kiosk, select how many bags you have, print the labels, stick them to the bag and drop

them in the bin. The Return It staff will sort and count your items and the money automatically goes into the schools PAC account.

- **Cobs Bread - Gladwin location:**

- Cobs will donate a portion of your purchase back to the school PAC and all you have to do is mention that you are with Thomas Swift Elementary.

Reminders:

- Please remember that if you are sending an etransfer to pay for any fundraiser, please ensure you note your child's full name and what the funds are for. If sending for multiple items, please itemize amounts and items.
- If you are sending payments via cash, please send exact amounts.

Hot Lunch Report – Cory Hull

Updates:

- Panago pizza was this past hot lunch. Well received by kids.

Reminders:

- If paying by etransfer, please remember to send your payment at the same time you submit your order. Your child's order will be cancelled if payment is not made by the cutoff date.
- Volunteers are always needed on hot lunch days to distribute the food items to each student's desk. If you have completed your criminal record check and your annual volunteer forms, please sign in, grab a "Parent Volunteer" sticker and meet in the PAC kitchen at 11:30am on hot lunch days.
- Please sign up for a hot lunch account if you have not already done so. We use this platform for hot lunch orders, fundraiser, carnival ticket sales and PAC provided lunches in June. A new account must be made every year for each student. Please visit thomasswift.hotlunches.net and use the access code **TAS**

DPAC Report – Amy Mackenzie

- Study Smarter Not Harder presentation given. Well received
- Community Gaming Grants available for applications this month
- Next DPAC meeting: April 23, 2026.

Staff Appreciation – Callie Jackson

- No update at this time

New Business

- **Carnival Update**
 - Raffle donations are coming in
 - Many updates given, planning continues
 - Pre-sale Tickets will be going live soon.
 - Volunteers needed (sign up will be going out soon)
- **Amendments to Constitution**
 - Constitution wording updated to reflect clarity moving forward. Vote held – passed unanimously.

Reminders:

- Reminder to please send all your questions to the appropriate PAC email. Please do not personally message PAC execs or reps.
- Reminder when sending e-transfers to please include your child(s) name(s), and a breakdown of what the funds are for. ie/ Jane Smith \$35.00 Swift Wear, \$15.00 Coupon Book, \$5.50 Dominos, \$8.50 Subway, \$8.50 White Spot.

Next Meeting & Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm
- Next meeting is May 21 at 7 pm in the Library