

**Date:** June 12, 2025

**Time:** 6:00–8:00 PM

**Location:** In-Person at Mount Pleasant Elementary

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## 1. Call to Order & Land Acknowledgment

- Acknowledgment of unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples.
  - Invitation to reflect on community generosity and recent experiences.
  - Round-table introductions by attendees (parents, PAC members, principal).
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## 2. Treasurer's Report – Gill

- **Current Balances:**
    - Main Account: \$14,685.90
    - Gaming Account: \$585.00
    - Stripe: \$5,062.02
    - Square: \$1,081.82
    - **Total Available Funds:** \$21,414.74
    - Discussion about allocation, expenses (e.g., gymnastics), and reconciliation of Stripe/Square numbers.
    - Confirmed financial stability with minor outstanding reimbursements and expenses (e.g., Mel the caretaker).
      - Outstanding: Mel to be paid \$337.50 (likely covered by school account ~\$500).
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## 3. MTP Day Debrief – Miranda

- **Net funds raised:** ~\$8,100 (less than last year, but expenses for this year were lower).
  - **Expenses:** Approx. \$3,000
  - Strong donation support (e.g., chicken), surplus of leftover burgers.
- Events recap: successful games area, popular activities like face painting.
  - **Revenue from games/activities:** \$2,500
  - **Silent auction** outperformed previous year.
  - **Craft fair** revenue dropped due to fewer tables (gymnastics setup)
- **Logistics Notes:**

- Tent inventory: 15 black, 2 white (some presumed stolen).
  - Burger surplus filled the freezer.
  - Propane, limes, sauces: pending accounting.
  - Mist tent and Duck activities were highlights.
  - **Feedback/ Improvements:**
    - Survey to be sent to volunteers.
    - Suggestions: more tents, relocate activities to grass, buy plastic fins.
      - Improve tracking of borrowed/stolen equipment
      - Reposition activities to grassy area
      - Purchase additional tents
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## 4. Subcommittee Updates

### A. Fundraising – Lisa, Megan

- **Staff Appreciation:** \$620 raised (exceeds \$500 goal).
  - Surplus could support holiday party
  - Flyers planned to boost visibility.
- **Pizza Lunch for Tech:**
  - Total Raised: \$4,213.39
  - Final Pizza Motion: \$700 approved (Megan motioned, Miranda seconded).
- **Sports Day (Dorian):**
  - Oranges: 3 slices per child
  - Freezies:
    - Afternoon distribution only (half-only);
    - Use YMCA/staff room/office freezer space
    - Cost-effective sourcing from Costco (\$17/70 pack)
    - Freeze logistics handled by Dorian near end of school day.
    - Grade 7s may help distribute.
- **Market Day (Dorian):**
  - Sales orders totaled: \$1,306.00
  - 30% PAC earnings
  - Positive vendor relationship with Stapleton Foods.

### B. FIDO (Field Improvements) – Megan

- **Grass field** fencing scheduled for last week of school.
- **Restricted access** during school hours; **open** to community after ~2:45 PM.
- East gate access: 8:40–9:15 AM only.

- New gates to be added (e.g., 8th Ave, alley access).
- Goal: Maintain field safety and dog-related enforcement.
- Share ongoing issue with signage, misuse, and dog waste.
- If misuse continues further closures will occur.

### C. Merchandise – James

- **Total Sales:** \$3,300
- **Profit:** \$1,100
- Minimum order and setup fees waived; future orders easy to launch.
- Leftover stock for future PAC visibility (displayed at movie nights, school events).
- **Stickers:** \$0.25 each; options for incentives, classroom rewards, low-price sales (\$2 or less).
- Idea: Launch **Spirit Days** to promote school gear.

### D. Outreach Tools

- Megan Cindric runs Instagram; however emails seem most effective.
- Website/calendar integration under discussion.
- Signal not as effective but still an important tool worth trying again next year.

## 5. Grad Update / MTP Day Leftovers – Megan & Gill

- Estimated inventory: 210 burgers, 84 hot dogs, 34 veggie options.
- Leftover burgers/hot dogs to be used for **Grade 7 Grad dinner (June 24)**.
- Discussion:
  - Provide food free (donated), reduce budget from \$800.
  - Potluck-style with parents contributing condiments/salads.
  - Grad decision expected via Kathy.
- Options for remaining surplus food:
  - Sell burger/bun boxes by donation.
  - Plan for **possible year-end BBQ** if inventory remains.

## 6. Principal's Report – Gavin

### A. Staffing Updates

- **New SSA:** Sarika Sharma
- **Departures:**
  - Ms. Collins – relocating to Okanagan.

- Ms. Harper & Ms. McKenzie – transferring to David Lloyd George.
- Hiring will continue into October for 2025-2026.

## B. Programs & Events

- **AIRS (Artists in Residence):**
  - Will return next year (~\$4,000 program cost).
  - Strong praise: 6 sessions/student, focused on indigenous education, arts, and engagement.
- **Track & Field:** Senior girls won by wide margin.
- **Ultimate Frisbee:** 14–15 participants, short season.
- **Pollinator Field Trip:** K–2 classes to Van Dusen Gardens; successful.
- **Gymnastics:** 4 sessions x 40 mins; run by Coach Sergey, high praise of our students especially the 7th grade class. Coach would like to return next year.
- **Clubs:** D&D and Chess (Mr. Little), Art, Gymnastics (Ms. Williams)—all well-received.
  - Consideration to share information about joining said clubs and days of operation in school newsletters so that parents can encourage children to participate.
  - **Choir Conflict:** Club schedules often overlap; VEMS choir engagement varies.
- **Babysitting Course:**
  - 35 kids registered (Red Cross, June 17).
  - Grade 6/7 + eligible grade 5s (11+)

## C. Fence

- Grass field repair and fencin will start towards the end of June

## D. Tech Update

- iPads and classroom tech will be ready by **September**.

## E. Questions for the Principal

1. Can you give us an update on how the phone ban at school policy has been working "in the wild"? For example, has it eased a bit since September and kids are using phones more? Do you have to enforce by removing phones from kids? How are smart watches affecting things? How are things going at neighbouring schools? Sort of looking for an update on the day to day reality of how it's going. Thanks.
  - a. **At Mount Pleasant, I've been pleasantly surprised with the limited number of cellphone issues. Students are respected sta> when asked to put away.**
  - b. **Having the policy as part of the school expectations has drastically reduced the number of incidences**

2. Is there any update on whether our school admin stay Alex will be coming back to MTP next school year? I remember she went on leave and Syd has been covering. I'm asking also about how the process is when there are subs. We've had 2 instances in the last month when there was a sub in the oCice and the following happened:
    - a. **Syd has been hired and will be returning next year as the Office Admin Assistant at Mount Pleasant Elementary.**
    - b. **Sometimes mistakes are made with the attendance as teachers are doing the attendance in morning, and if there's an Employee on Call (EOC), then paper attendance is done.**
    - c. **I will ask for diligence with teachers doing attendance as yes, the level of stress rises quickly when a mistake is made.**
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## 7. AGM Review – Megan

### President's Recap of Accomplishments (see flyer in following page)

- Community Events: 3 movie nights, pancake breakfast, 2 craft fairs, MTP Day
- Fundraising: Over \$10K raised (tree chipping, market, pizza, etc.)
- Enrichment: Author visits, reading challenges, special programming for parents: anxiety and sex ed. recess equipment for students
- Special Programs: AIRS, Gymnastics, STEAM, Body Science, webinar on Kids & Stress

### Acknowledgements

- Miranda: Enrichment & MTP Day
  - Gill: Banking, and spreadsheets
  - Dorian: Market Day, communication
  - Ariella: DPAC meetings, volunteer rallying
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## 8. Executive Elections – 2025–2026

- **Stepping Down:** Megan (President), Miranda (VP), Ariella (DPAC), Dorian (Secretary)
- **Remaining:** Gill (Tentative Treasurer)
- **New DPAC Rep:** Kellen (confirmed)

### Election Decision:

- Elections **postponed to September 2025**
- Motion carried to continue interim support if needed

- Email to go out:
    - Highlight roles needed (Pres, VP, Secretary)
    - Clarify what PAC provides (and what will disappear if PAC dissolves)
    - Encourage **light involvement**, teamwork, and role-sharing
  - **Additional Notes:**
    - Strong appreciation expressed for outgoing exec team.
    - Volunteers sought for specific roles to reduce leadership burden (e.g., Spirit Day, Movie Nights).
    - Call to widen PAC participation and clarify how families can contribute meaningfully.
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## WHAT IS THE PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)?

The PAC is the voice of the parents!

We advise the school and the school board on student matters,  
we enhance the school experience for students and families,  
and we build community in the school and our neighbourhood.



**WELCOME TO ALL NEW FAMILIES**

★ **JOIN US TO HELP MAKE 2025/26 EVEN BETTER!** ★

**HERE IS WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS YEAR!**



### COMMUNITY EVENTS

3 super fun  
themed-movie nights  
2 community craft fairs  
Community pancake breakfast

**MTP DAY school fair**

### FUNDRAISERS

Tree chipping  
Market days and  
chocolate sales  
Soccer concession  
Pizza lunches  
**..and we raised  
\$10000+ for learning  
tech**

### OTHER WAYS WE GIVE BACK

Teachers funds for special  
activities and materials  
Staff appreciation meals  
Hot lunch program  
Supporting gr. 6/7 camp  
Reading link challenge  
Recess play equipment  
Gr. 7 leaving ceremony  
Branded merchandise

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Theatre performers  
Gymnastics and STEAM  
workshops  
Artists In Residence (AIRS)  
*Body Science workshops  
(in class, and online for carers)*  
Live webinar on "Kids and  
Stress" for caregivers

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