

THOMAS HANEY SECONDARY SCHOOL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Parents Working Together to Connect and Communicate

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PAC MEETING MINUTES FOR: September 29, 2026 at 7pm

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Welcome

Erin (chair) welcomed parents and staff and introduced the PAC members.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on May 28, 2026.

GENERAL REPORTING FROM PAC AND ADMINISTRATION ON SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

1. Administration Report – Principal Colin Sharpe

- Largest school in the district this year at just over 1,300 students in total.
- Great assemblies held to share information and help everyone get on the same page.
- Slightly different bell schedule this year due to late start and early end. Staff came together to conduct a SWOT analysis for growth and development day.
- Senior Sail was held to kick off grad season for Grade 12s. Grade 12 BBQ was also a success.
- Terry Fox Run had a great turnout.
- Strengths and Stretches: THSS has strong traditions. Club days are this week, providing something for every student and opportunities to connect with their peers. Harm reduction approach with vaping and littering in the community. Focus this year on limited cell phone usage in school to build better habits. Balance on adding structures (bells, clocks) while still keeping the model that is THSS to meet the needs of all learners. Y block on Mondays to find space and time to work on what they need to work on – primarily for Grade 8s/9s who have more set blocks.
- Request from some parents to have an info session for incoming Grade 8 parents to help understand THSS structures. Similar ask for a Grade 10 night based on what has been offered in prior years.

- Upcoming: photo retakes on Friday, awards ceremony (October 15), career fair (October 19), province-wide Pro-D (October 23), post-secondary day (October 29).

2. Chair Report – Erin

- BCCPAC: important organization to be part of and encourage all members to participate.

It was moved, seconded and carried to be a member of the BCCPAC for the 2027 calendar year.

- Suggested a recommendation to have a third signature on our banking account from practices observed in DPAC Treasurer 101 Workshops / AGMs last year.

It was moved, seconded and carried to amend our signatures for our banking to the following signatories for the 2026-2027 school year:

Keep Erin Goodman (Chair) and Sarah Goudreau (previous Treasurer, and current member at large) and to add Chris Munroe (new Treasurer).

- PAC Meeting Schedule

The following meeting schedule was proposed for the 2026/2027 school year:

Tuesday September 28, 2026	General Meeting
Thursday October 29, 2026	Gaming Grant Allocations
Wednesday January 27, 2026	Online/remote meeting
Tuesday February 23, 2026	Proposal of B&C amendments
Thursday April 22, 2026	Vote on B&C amendments
Wednesday May 26, 2026	AGM

3. Treasurer's Report – Chris/Sarah

- Gaming allocation confirmed \$24,880.00, but has not yet been deposited. Last year it was deposited in early October.
- Current balance in the account is \$5,376.14.
- Report is complete for the year, and just needs to be signed and submitted. Report needs to be submitted by end of November.
- Submission package will be prepped and distributed via the WhatsApp chat.

4. DPAC Update – Kim

The first DPAC meeting of the school year was held on Thursday September 24, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Eric Langton.

Items discussed include: school operational plans are going to be renewed in 2027 – focus on numeracy and literacy. Bringing in more Canadian resources. Social-emotional learning programs and new platforms being introduced (like AI) and conversations about appropriateness of digital learning at different levels. Election coming up – encouraged to attend meetings to learn more about the trustees who are running. Health presentation at the next DPAC meeting, which will be held at SRT on October 22, 2026.

5. New Business / Sharing from Parents

- It was decided to establish a Bylaw and Constitution Review Committee (the current ones were last updated in 2017). At the February 23, 2026, meeting a draft can be reviewed by the PAC and then vote on these at the April meeting ahead of the AGM in May.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

The next PAC Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday October 29, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** and the purpose of the meeting will be the gaming funding allocation.