



**TACT BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 29, 2025**  
**7-9 pm**  
**Texada Legion**

**Attendants:** Gerry Childress, Debra Gill, Doby Dobrostanski, Colleen Diamond, Ingrid Rompa (left after “Possibility of Reduced Group Membership” item)

**Regrets:** Marianne Segers, Janice Wills, Rebecca Can

**Guests:** Laurie MacDougall

**Meeting called to order:** 7:06 pm

**Changes to the Agenda** None

**Motion to adopt the Agenda** Moved Doby D. / Seconded Colleen D. AIF.

**Waive the Reading of the Minutes of the January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Board Meeting** Moved Colleen D. / Seconded Doby D. AIF.

**Approve the minutes of the January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Board Meeting** AIF.

**Treasurer’s Report** (Colleen D.) Colleen presented financial details for 2025 thus far (see attached Excel files). Everything is up to date. Debra will contact Jayleen to meet with her and Colleen regarding accessing details on Quikbooks for the Jan-May 2024 financial details.

**Marketing & Media Report** (Debra G. / Gerry C.) In regard to the driftwood picture-taking sign, we’re looking into insurance / talking to qathet Regional District re locating it in Shelter Point Park / approaching Powell River Tourism and Sunshine Coast Tourism (SCT) re funding. SCT produced Texada rack cards for us. These are being distributed off-island only, in Comox, Campbell River and Powell River tourism offices, on the ferry and at airshows that Doby and crew will visit. Debra still has to put together the Texada Artists rack card; Doby will assist if she has problems. The Van Anda Heritage Walk and Texada Hikes & Walks brochures are being printed (by TICS) and distributed. Janice is printing a Summer Events rack card. We will not be placing a magazine ad this year, instead we will be running Google ads May-August, at \$200/month. Janice will be sending a Mailchimp ad for summer events out to subscribers. Gerry will be working with the Heritage Society to produce and place photo’s sublimed on metal at each Heritage Walk post. We are paying for only half of the Heritage Walk brochure cost this year. We are still investigating options for the new website; there are a few options but we are not yet clear on the cost or timeline for each of them. TICS is starting their own website, so they may take over the Community Information, and TACT’s website will focus on events and tourism. It was agreed that this was okay.

### Old Business

#### Event Reports

- **Run the Rock** (Janice W. / Gerry W.) This event will not happen this year, as we have no organizer. A question was raised as to whether we could offer an honorarium to encourage someone to do it, but it was decided we did not want to start doing that.
- **Texada Aerospace Camp (TASC)** (Rebecca H.) Rebecca was absent, see Sheila McFarland’s attached report for March/25.

- **Texada Paint-Out** (Ingrid R.) The date for Paint Out is Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. The exhibition may be either August 24<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>, TBA. Doby D. has about 12 easels he can lend, so there is no need to purchase any.
- **Texada Blues & Roots Festival** (Gerry C.) The organization of this event is behind this year. It has proved difficult to find accommodation for the Saturday night act.
- **Texada Fly-In (TAFI)** (Doby D.) Doby is waiting for permission from Transport Canada. RCAF has been approached for a flying display. qRD has been informed. The “Snow Flakes” flying group from Vernon are coming. Volunteer recruiting is underway, and the concession is arranged. Fundraising will be by having groups of people fly into Texada every couple weeks. They made \$800 from the Aviation swap meet. See attached report.

## Facility Reports

- **Texada Aviation Museum (TAM)** (Doby D.) There have been a number of events in recent weeks, including a “missing man” flypast in honour of Knud Rasmussen’s passing. A fire waterpump and tanks for the hangar have been purchased. See attached report.
- **Texada Pottery Studio (TPS)** (Debra G.) There was a successful Trivia Night Fundraiser on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, at the Legion. Approximately \$1700 was made, and it was a fun, community-oriented event. The Studio directors have been considering different payment models for classes at the studio. The model of an “Instructor User Fee” will be used for all member-led classes, with the exception of the Beginner’s Class. In this model, the instructor does everything (promotion, registration, prep, teaching, finding assistants, etc), and 20% of class registration fees goes to the studio. (This percentage is initial, and may change). The “Studio Facilitated” model will be used for the mandatory Beginner’s Class, and for classes taught by non-member guests. Here, the volunteer instructor and helpers do everything, and they receive honorariums, with the remainder of the registration fees going to the studio. The pug mill purchased a few years ago is proving to be unusable; it is not working properly and has been found to be damaged inside. We still do not know if the School Board will approve of the studio installing a second kiln, so for now our fundraising goals are for 2 more pottery wheels, and better shelving.

## New Business

- **Budgets past due (Jan 31<sup>st</sup>)** (Debra) Budgets are still due from Texada Blues & Roots, Aerospace Camp and Texada Paint Out. The deadline wasn’t as critical this year, as we don’t have to reapply for the qRD grant. It was requested they be sent to Debra in the next couple of weeks, as they need to be approved by the Board prior to summer.
- **TACT gaming license** (Gerry C.) Gerry will follow up on this.
- **Approval of new TAM logo** (Doby D.) It was decided that the Board does not need to approve logos for events and facilities.
- **Approval of new Texada Pottery Studio logo** (Debra G.) See above.
- **September drawing workshop** (Debra G.) Debra would like to look into organizing a Drawing Workshop, perhaps in September, to be taught by a retired Fine Arts faculty member from UNBC in Prince George. It was agreed to pursue this.
- **TACT members number for 2025** (Janice W./ Debra G.) We have 27 paid members currently, with 4 directors still to pay, for a total of 31 members.
- **Possibility of reduced group membership fee** (Debra G.) This was brought up by the Texada Pottery Studio board, but needs to be clarified. We will revisit it in September.

- **TACT membership for Directors** (Debra G. / Ingrid R.)  
**Motion:** That people who are TACT directors have their membership fee waived.  
Moved Ingrid R. / seconded ?? For 1 / Against 3. Motion defeated.
- **Grant update** (Laurie MacDougall) Several grants have been applied for, but there's been no success thus far. Laurie is willing to apply for a qathet Arts Grant on behalf of the Pottery Studio. Selkirk Mountain Forest company is interested in donating to youth initiatives; they may donate as much as \$5000, half of which will go to Texada Aerospace Camp (for youth) and half to Texada Pottery Studio (which teaches elementary school classes). If individual events/facilities find a grant they'd like to apply for, and supply Laurie with the information needed, she will pull it together into an application. She will, in general, not search for grants for you.
- **Spending excess funds** (Debra G.) It was pointed out that we have funds that are not committed to any current event/facility that perhaps could be made available for spending.  
**Motion:** That the contents of the Music Committee subaccount and the Kids Saving Earth subaccount be combined, along with \$3500 from the Admin subaccount, into an "Operations" subaccount. Also that \$1000 be moved from the Admin subaccount to the Insurance subaccount.  
Moved Debra G. / Seconded Gerry C. AIF.
- **qathet facility deposit** (Gerry C.) This deposit will be paid by Admin (\$500), and will cover Texada Blues & Roots Festival, and the two airport events. The deposit will be returned after the summer.
- **Special meeting to discuss TACT's purpose/roles?** (Debra G.) Debra suggested we have a Workshop/Retreat to dedicate some time to explore TACT's current purpose/roles/goals.

**Meeting adjourned: 9 pm**

**Next meeting 7 pm, Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, Texada Legion (AGM followed by a regular business meeting).**