



TACT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 14, 2025
7-9 pm
Texada Legion

Attendants: Gerry Childress, Debra Gill, Colleen Diamond, Ingrid Rompa, Marianne Segers

Regrets: Doby Dobrostanski

Guests: Sheila McFarland (present via Zoom, for TASC report only)

Meeting called to order: 7:16 pm

Changes to the Agenda None

Motion to adopt the Agenda Moved Colleen D./ Gerry C. AIF.

Waive the Reading of the Minutes of the April 29th and May 27th 2025 Board Meetings Moved Marianne S./Colleen D. AIF.

Approve the minutes of the April 29th and May 27th, 2025 Board Meetings Moved Marianne S./Ingrid R. AIF.

President's Report (Gerry C.) We're all done the summer. We're still trying to get someone to coordinate Run the Rock. All sub-account bank balances are healthy. Gerry has spoken to a few people who might be interested in joining the TACT Board; he will pursue it.

Treasurer's Report (Colleen D.) The 2024 Financial Statement will be ready soon, and beginning now, there will be a transaction statement for each subaccount presented at our monthly meetings, for January 1st to the end of the previous month.

Marketing & Media Report (Debra G.) There were no questions regarding the Sept minutes for the M&M Committee meeting. We have been focusing on the new website, and having a driftwood sign saying "TEXADA" made, for tourist picture-taking. Dick Fahlman has generously made a sign, with accompanying humpback, for us. We now need to find somewhere to put it, and are considering somewhere beside/on the Van Anda wharf. Gerry is talking to qRD about this. We are thinking about additional ways to advertise next year, and also a "Thanks for visiting" sign for Blubber Bay. Ingrid R. noted that she was on the Committee formed to build the new website, and that she'd like to be included in decision-making.

New Business

Event Reports

- **Run the Rock** (Debra G.) – Debra reported that Tom Brent no longer wanted to be coordinator for the 2026 event, as our call for key volunteers by the end of September had only attracted one person. Gail Hebner said she could shadow a coordinator in 2026, and run the event in 2027. Since we have no 2026 coordinator, she offered to co-coordinate, but we have no one to join her. Rob McWilliam is going to talk to some people to try and find a co-coordinator, and key volunteers.
- **Texada Aerospace Camp (TASC)** (Sheila McFarland for Doby D.) – The camp had 24 attendees this year (including 2 girls), plus 6 junior volunteers, and a behavioural therapist. They also had a separate staff "lounge" in a tent, which worked very well. They also had about 36 other volunteers. Due to a long, ongoing wait list, Sheila will attempt to run two weeks of camp in 2026 only, with different volunteers for the second week.

- **Texada Paint-Out** (Ingrid R.) – The Paint Out was a big success; 10 adults and 2 children participated, and there were many spectators. The exhibition reception afterward was also very successful. This year, Ingrid had no “official” volunteers step forward to help, which is a concern. She’s unsure if she’ll be able to organize and run the Paint Out again in 2026.
- **Texada Blues & Roots Festival** (Gerry C.) – Numbers were down this year, and the entertainment was great and very well-received. Gerry noted that his website was down for 2 months in the spring, and he didn’t know it.
- **Texada Fly-In** (No report as Doby D. absent) – A written report will be forwarded.

Facility Reports

- **Texada Aviation Museum (TAM)** (No report as Doby D. absent) – A written report will be forwarded.
- **Texada Pottery Studio (TPS)** (Debra G.) – It was a busy summer at the studio, with many attending. Karin Stotzer will be offering a Beginner’s class in November, and Jill Schultz will be offering an intermediate class that month also. We have decided to cap our member number at 25, and the annual membership fee was raised to \$120 starting September, 2025. Members selling commercially now pay double the glaze/firing fees. The school board has given permission for us to purchase and run an additional kiln, the same size as the one we currently own. We plan to have a fundraising sales table at the Christmas Market, and may do some fundraising at the Winter Market as well.
- **Event & Facility evaluations due** (Debra G.) – An email was sent out asking people to complete the evaluation for their event by Oct 18th if possible, as Gerry wants to use them to write an Express Lines article about our summer events.
- **Distribution of 2025 qRD Economic Development grant** (Debra G.) Debra requested that some of the 2025 grant money be distributed now, to enable the Texada Pottery Studio (TPS) to purchase a new pottery wheel, which would enable them to offer wheel classes. She provided a copy of the TPS yearly budget for Sept 2025 to 2026. It was noted that currently we have a total of \$25,693 “available” (in the Music (\$1663), Kids Saving Earth (\$78), Grants (\$14,500) and Admin (\$9,452) subaccounts).
Motion: That TACT provide Texada Pottery Studio \$2,800 to purchase a pottery wheel.
Moved Gerry C./Colleen D. AIF. (Debra abstained due to conflict of interest).
- **Should we fund “outside” events?** (Debra G.)
Motion: That TACT subsidize individual arts and entertainment events on Texada Island.
Moved Marianne S./Colleen D. AIF.
Action: Discussion on details of the above to be added to the next Board meeting agenda.
- **Should we organize “outside” events?** (Debra G.) – No one felt that the TACT Board should initiate events.

Old Business

- **TACT board rep for Texada Aerospace Camp needed** (Gerry C. / Debra G) – This still needs to be confirmed with Doby D.
- **Documents not distributed as per May/25 minutes** (Debra G.) – The 2024 Financial Statement, and the 2025 budgets for TAFI and TAM, were not distributed after the May AGM/Board meeting, as they were not received by Debra.
- **TACT gaming license** (Gerry C.) – Gerry has downloaded the forms.
- **Special meeting to discuss TACT’s purpose/roles** (Debra G.) – This was delayed until November’s meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Next meeting 7 pm, Tuesday, November 25th, Mary Mary Cafe