***Minutes***

**Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 20th, 2021**

**Time:**  7:00pm – 8:30pm

**Location:** Via Zoom

**Chair:** Tammy Baltz and Kristin McAllister

Attendance: 90+

| **Description** | **Speaker** |
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| Welcome and Introductions  | Tammy Baltz |
| Principal’s Report* Words of appreciation for support staff, custodial staff and teaching staff
* Quick discussion of the changes coming to the new quarter and the email coming out to provide details & email was received at 6:49p).
* Q2 reporting is out. Check the Myed portal
* Health & Safety is #1 priority and all students and staff are reminded to wear masks
* Discussed indigenous learning & anti racism & inclusion in February’s Black History month learnings.
* School wide assembly and artists planned for Black History month.
 | D. Wilmann |
| Teacher’s Report* Thank you to the PAC and all the parents for their generosity for the direct appeal – helps many teachers and students to realize their vision.
* Thank you to the PAC and parents for the lovely Poinsettias
* The assessment model is a learning process for everyone & teachers are still learning and adapting. Remote on line learning continues to be a work in progress.
* Current schedule reflects the focus on health and safety
 | J. Sheppet |
| Student Voice/Student Forum/Student leadership initiative:* Mr. Wilmann introduced Mr Vulgaris & congratulated him for the largest (100) student lead program at Lord Byng due to his leadership.
* The forum is a voice of the students from grades 8-12 & has created an on line forum for students to meet and discuss issues of interest
* Six members of the forum spoke about the discussions that the students have had including mental health resources and a vote on mandatory mask wearing during class time. Also discussed was the OECD Learning Compass and their planning for the future.
 | M.Vulgaris Students:VictoriaMichaelSophiaElisseAaronSophie |
| SACY Presentation:* Explained the three streams in the VSB high schools:#1 Youth Engagement Worker – Jaclyn Chang

#2 STEP - SACY Teen Engagement Program – Sandi Rai#3 Parent Engagement Program* Discussed the programs available to students and parents to help strengthen youth connection to school, family & community. Described the support & outreach and parent education workshops. Also outlined the Step program and the structured 3 day program available for youth at risk to promote health and prevention. Can be referred to the program by parents or teachers or the students themselves. More info at www.vsb.bc.ca/sacy
 | Jaclyn Chang& Sandi Rai |
| Grad Committee:* Strong volunteer support from 60+ parents
* Raised $5,000 from December fundraising – Poinsettias & Purdy’s Chocolates Thank you for the support.
* Grad committee has launched a direct appeal & will be going live on Wed Feb 3rd
 | Parent:Krista Levesque |
| General Q & A (questions archived with Byng PAC)  | D. Wilmann |
| Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm |  |