***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:  Victoria  Michael  Sophia  Elisse  Aaron  Sophie |
| 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 |  |