

Meeting Minutes May 27, 2020

Welcome: Welcome and quick discussion on how the Zoom meeting will proceed - muting lines, how to ask questions, chat function, motions and approvals etc.

Acknowledgement: *Co-chair Jo Anne* began by acknowledging that the land in which we gather is the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples, including the territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil Waututh First Nations.

Approval of Agenda: Any new items to add? **No new items.**

Approve Minutes from March and April: Meeting attendees were asked to review the previous meeting minutes in advance the meeting. Meeting minutes were approved.

[March Meeting Minutes](#)

[April Meeting Minutes](#)

March: *Motion to pass: Melissa Carr (motioned), Lisa Poier (second). Passed.*

April: *Motion to pass: Melissa Carr (motioned), Karley Rice (second). Passed.*

Approve Treasurer Report from March and April: [April Treasurer's Report](#), and [May Treasurer's Report](#),

March Treasurers reports: *Motion to pass: Karley Rice (motioned) Newell Cotton (Seconded) Passed.*

April Treasurers reports: *Motion to pass: Karley Rice (motioned) Kim Pederson (Seconded). Passed.*

Guest Speakers: None.

Principal's Report: Carrie Froese **Registration:**

Has been steady

School is almost full for 2020-2021

Ready Set Learn and Welcome to Kindergarten Events postponed throughout the VSB until September

Calendar:

Calendar has been published for next year. Please see attached.

Early dismissal dates have been moved to November and April to more closely align with the required 5 reporting periods

See attached

Return to School on June 1st:

Voluntary and gradual

My role is to provide you with the planning information.

Your job as parents to decide if you want to send your children to school in June.

Number One goal is to comply with all of the Health & Safety Requirements outlined by the Provincial Health Office.

Tomorrow morning you will receive a letter that has been personalized by each school but contains common standards in the Vancouver School Board.

It is the daily responsibility for Staff to assess themselves daily for symptoms of COVID-19 other infectious respiratory disease prior to entering the school.

It is the responsibility of parents and caregivers to assess their child daily for symptoms of COVID-19 or other infectious respiratory disease before sending them to school.

If there is a child sick at school, they will be taken to an isolation room at school until the parents come to pick up the child.

The school has a responsibility to ensure minimal physical contact and maximum physical distancing. There will be four entrances and exits that are assigned to groups of students. Doors are closed to ensure pathways to minimize contact. There will be reminders for kids to let them know what 2 meters is. Need to make sure there is no group of kids of over 50 kids.

Grade K-5 students may attend in-class sessions twice a week; Gr.6 and 7 – once a week

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Children of Essential Service Workers (ESW) and students with special needs are able to attend 5X per week, as requested

On days when the teacher is not providing in school instruction, children will be working with other staff, either resource teacher, SSA or in another class with space to accommodate.

This schedule was just sent home via email

For more information, go to the school website, and click on the tab “COVID-19” for more information.

Division # Days of Week

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| 1 | Monday/Tuesday Ms. Cassie will let families know the one day your child will attend |
| 2 | Wednesday/Thursday Ms. Nielsen will let families know the one day your child will attend |
| 3 | Tuesday/Wednesday with Mr. Mclsaac (one day for Grade 6 students) |
| 4 | Tuesday/Wednesday with Ms. Janze |
| 5 | Monday/Tuesday with Ms. Romanelli |
| 6 | Tuesday/Wednesday with Ms. Lirenmen |
| 7 | Monday/Wednesday with Ms. Kwon |
| 8 | Wednesday/Thursday |

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| | with Ms. Dimitropolis |
| 9 | Thursday/Friday Ms. Christina Tehennepe will be the guest teacher in June |
| 10 | Tuesday/Thursday with Ms. Liang |
| 11 | Tuesday/Thursday with Ms. Korchinski |
| 12 | Thursday/Friday with Ms. Lau |
| 13/14 | Monday/Tuesday Ms. Paris and Ms. Presley will be team teaching the Kindergarten groups |

FAQ and information about COVID-19 Pandemic posted on the school website.

Question & Answer session with Principal Carrie Froese (questions were asked by parents online and ahead of time):

Please note Principal Carrie Froese provided responses to the questions unless otherwise identified in the meeting minutes.

1.) How many children will be in each class?

There is a maximum of 15 children per class. For the older students (grade 6-7) who are only attending 1 day/ week, the kids have been broken up into 2 days, so there would be 6-7 in each group.

Overall more than 50% of families have responded that they will be returning.

2.) If parents responded “No” to returning June 1-5, can kids join afterwards, for subsequent weeks?

Yes, but first you will need to email the school and send in a request. You cannot just show up without approval from the school. Numbers need to be accommodated for, and we need to have a space for each child.

3.) Will there be a staggered drop-off?

No. We will have 4 separate marked entrances at the school, which will be specific to each division. Each entrance will have a physically distanced line up where students will meet their teacher. Details about which entrance your child is to go to will be sent tomorrow, along with more details about health and safety at school.

Parents ARE encouraged to send their kids off to their entrances/ line ups and then leave and let the staff help the kids in. We cannot have gatherings of over 50 people, so please do not hang around on the school grounds.

4.) How will lunch and recess be managed? Will the playground be open?

There will be 2 staggered times for both recess and for lunch. The kids will be eating much in their classrooms (washing their hands before eating) with their teachers and taken outside with SSA's or supervision aides. They will also wash their hands when they come inside.

At the moment, the playground equipment is still roped off. This may change. We will be encouraging good hand hygiene, especially washing hands when the kids come in from playing outside. Outdoor play will look different. For example, kids can play pass with a soccer ball, but they will not be allowed to play soccer games, etc.

5.) Are there added facilities for hand washing in the school?

No. Most classrooms have a sink. Kids will be washing their hands there. For the classrooms that don't have a sink, there will be spray bottles with cleanser, and kids will be asked to wash with the spray cleanser for 20 seconds, as they would with hand soap.

(From Jo Anne: this is something that we could try to bring up with the parent Advocacy group for our seismic upgrade- might be good to try to future proof for the pandemic).

6.) Will kids that are NOT coming to school have access to their teachers online?

Not in the same capacity that they have up until this point. Priority will be given to the students in classroom on the days they are in class, but students at home will continue

to work with their teachers as they have been up to this point. Times for video calls, etc may change due to changes in the teacher's schedule.

7.) Is the school set up with PPE/ hand sanitizer/ floor markings, etc?

The school is not providing PPE at this point. If someone is sick, they should not be coming to school. If a teacher or students wants to wear a mask, they are welcome to do so. The school has been supplied with pink and yellow tapes to mark things off at school. There will be lots of signage at the school reminding kids to stay socially distanced and to not touch their face. Furniture from the halls has been cleared out to make more space for people to walk, and to not congregate.

8.) Isn't this inconsistent with what we've heard from a Federal level- Dr Theresa Tam has suggested wearing a mask if you think you might come within 6 feet of someone. Shouldn't teachers wear masks?

Dr. Bonnie Henry has not specified that we need to be 6 feet from kids, and she has not said that PPE is required at school. We've been encouraged to "reduce physical contact, and create as much physical distance as we can". Research shows that kids are not as likely to catch, and to transmit COVID-19. We will be encouraging kids to not touch each other and try to give as much physical distance as possible.

Most of all, we don't want kids to be scared and fearful about being at school.

9.) Should kids returning to school bring their own iPads to school, in order to continue their access to online learning?

This will be up to the teachers of the individual classrooms. Some classes will have enough iPads for each child to have access 1 to 1. We will not want children sharing iPads.

10.) What is the teacher is sick? Is there protocol in place if a staff member or family in the community tests positive for Covid-19?

If a teacher is sick and away from school, it will be up to the school to cover the absence and/ or try to bring in teacher on call.

As far as protocol, this would just be the Contact Tracing piece. It would be the family's obligation to report the illness to the school.

11.) What will end of school year reporting look like?

For the most part, the kids' grades will not go any lower than they were at March break. This will be for the teachers to decide and assess. Some kids are blossoming at home with the one on one time, others are having a harder time learning from home.

12.) Are they any ideas of what to expect through the summer about the September start?

Premier John Horgan has said that June is a time to get the kids ready for school, and that in September, school will start again. This is what we should all be preparing for. Of course, this may change!

The best way to keep up to date would be to watch the daily updates by Premier Horgan and Dr. Bonnie Henry, check the VSB website and read Suzanne Hoffman's messages, check our school website.

(Any other questions, you can email the PAC, at livingstonepac@gmail.com, and the PAC exec can maybe look into things, or email the DPAC with additional questions.)

13.) Will kids that are going back to school full time be with their regular classroom teacher?

Not every day. They will be with their teacher on the days their teacher is teaching, but on the other days they would be in another classroom or with a resource teacher or SSA. Please note that Ms. Janze's in-school classroom will be covered by Mr. Murress. Ms. Wilson is on mat leave- Ms. Paris and Ms Presley (music teacher) will be team-teaching the K's. Ms. Senior's class will be taught by Ms. Christina Tehennepe for the rest of the school year.

Chair Report: Julia & JoAnne

Unfinished Business:

- SSA Letter (we won't be speaking about this tonight, but will keep it on the list so we can pick it up when we can)

New Business:

Masks for staff - PAC Executive approved \$250 to purchase 25 masks for staff returning to school next week. Masks will be made by DL parent, Gwendolyn Lee Lutz (Clyde, Div 14).

June Meeting (AGM)

If anyone is interested in joining the PAC executive for the 2020-2021 school year, please reach-out to livingstonepac@gmail.com

With current bylaws, a person can only hold a position for 2 years, so would be good to be able to pass the torch to new members.

- Voting on returning PAC executive:
 - Julia Hibbard, Co-chair
 - Jo-Anne Stayner, Co-chair
 - Krista Hass, Co-Treasurer
 - Vanessa Lobel, Co-Treasurer
 - Melissa Carr, Secretary
 - Andrew Nolan, Member-at-Large (Communications)
 - Rachel James has volunteered to be a 'Co-secretary' to share the role with Melissa. If anyone else is interested in sharing this role let me know and I will add to the June vote. (Sharing secretary responsibility for 10 PAC meetings)
 - If anyone is interested in joining the PAC executive for the 2020-2021 school year, please reach-out to livingstonepac@gmail.com
 - We will be voting on approving a small portion of our 2020-21 budget at the June meeting. The vote on the remaining 2020-21 budget items will be pushed to September or October when we have more clarity on how the school year will proceed. What we will be voting on in June will be so we can provide teachers with current level of funding they have had in years past. This is \$500 per division for division needs, and \$500 per division towards literacy (books, etc). We want to do this in June so that the teachers know what they can expect for the next year, and to be able to prepare and order materials over the summer.
 - PAC Executive will be meeting over the summer to work on our 2020-21 budget and fundraising plan to ensure we are factoring in potential changes within the school, social-distancing guidelines for events, etc.
- Next Meeting:** Wednesday, June 17th, 7:00 p.m. Zoom call instructions will be sent 1 week in advance. We will likely be continuing with Zoom meetings into the

beginning of next year, so any feedback on how we can improve is appreciated!

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 p.m.