



**David Livingstone PAC
General Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2020**

Zoom Meeting Details:

Topic: David Livingstone PAC

Time: Wednesday, November 18th, 2020 07:00 - 8:00 PM

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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: We would like to begin 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? (2 minutes)

- Nothing to add

Approve Minutes from October: Please review documents **in advance** of the meeting so that we are able to approve and move forward. (3 minutes)

[October Meeting Minutes](#)

Vanessa motions to approve

Leigh Ann seconds

Guest Speakers: None.

Principal's Report: Livingstone's Principal, Carrie Froese will provide an update followed by a Q&A - questions in advance or via chat function (15 minutes)

- Nearly all students back full time
- Remaining students scheduled to return Jan 4
- Cannot move back and forth between streams
- All class teachers have all students on Teams

- Health and safety meeting with staff last week to review all protocols around Covid
- Are protocols different now that there is a case of Covid? No, same
- Deep clean each night, clean throughout the day
- VCH determines who are deemed close contacts, who to contact, give the school and district specific direction
- Case came from outside of the school community
- One way to minimize contact is to have outdoor recess and lunch
- No more student monitors in order to keep cohorts separate
- Supervision aids, Froese and SSAs are also available to monitor
- Four areas of outside space, some have covered areas
- Easy ups are available, just difficult to put up
- Issue with children wearing rain gear, teachers, students need to work together to be responsible to stay dry so that they can return to class and do work
- Froese gave an extra umbrella to each class
- Money available for potential outdoor learning to keep kids engaged
- Remembrance Day assembly recorded, kids excited to show art and be filmed
- Ms. Pressley and Mr. Carruthers are creating a winter “show and share” to build community and to showcase kids work
- Monthly assemblies to continue community building and to use the Teams school channel to share
- Reminder for school fees - november news letter has prorated amounts for those in the November stream
- Performances are online, not much cheaper than in person
- Many outstanding fees
- Performances will be booked based on how much money is gathered
- Contact Ms. Froese directly if unable to pay fees or full fees
- Social emotional learning resources
- PAC has a group of links for SE learning and support
- Thanks from Ms. Froese re: support following covid letter going home and during this stressful time

Q: Can any other details about the recent covid exposure be shared?

A: No to protect privacy of person and to avoid stigma. Handled all by VCH and follow a specific protocol including cleaning, letter writing, informing parents, contact tracing, level of risk in school. Need to emphasize empathy and personal hygiene. Be mindful of conversations at home and discuss with families that it could happen to anyone so that the kids don't feel that they've done something wrong.

Q: Crowding in school entrances, is it possible to make greater gaps?

A: Conversation around lining up at beginning and end of day. Challenges in that kids want to be near each other. Teachers have to be diligent about reminders and be supervising early. Some areas that can be improved upon. If you have suggestions email Ms. Froese.

Q: policy/procedure for cleaning books? Ministry of Health recommends daily.

A: Vancouver told that did not need to clean laminated book covers as research supports not getting passed through paper

Q: if child is told to monitor but then has a negative test can they return to school?

A: if child is told to monitor but no symptoms won't get tested. If there are symptoms but not covid please stay home

LeighAnn: VCH provides a date when kid can return to class

Q: school photos?

A: no. cannot make any accommodations for how to be done.

Q: Process around identifying an exposure - how is the school involved - 9 year olds trusted to inform VCH who they have been in contact with without an adult?

A: VCH does contact tracing with family, then asking Froese about other kids in cohorts. Kids in contact outdoors not worried. Concerned about close contact/shared space indoors. Adults who were present for indoor close contacts (teachers?) also asked.

Q: were kids in after school care also considered?

A: VCH given contact info for Sparetime, Froese in contact with Sparetime but considered separate than the school

Q: What if you do not want to send kids back in January?

A: if back in right now you are back in. Froese won't be able to predict what will happen in January. Reason for Teams to be ready. Once you come back you cannot return to option 4.

Q: What do you do if you think your child should have been contacted by VCH but wasn't

A: call 811 or VCH

Q: How do we know if the whole class is self isolating? Are teachers having to teach kids both in the classroom and on Teams? Unclear what to expect from the school. What is going on with Div 6? Should we bother with Teams?

A: Some families got a letter to self isolate but not all of the class. Expectation is not that teachers are teaching both classroom and Teams. Treated like the student is sick or away. Assignments can be provided but not online instruction. If more kids impacted and have to self isolate it is unclear at this time.

Q: Value in parents understanding the expectations of themselves and their children from the teacher re: activity on Teams and at home learning. What is available to parents and how we can continue to educate our kids during the limbo of self isolation?

A: Getting kids involved and engaged in leadership. Check whole school Teams.

Q: What is best approach to sort out above. Should PAC class rep reach out to each teacher to develop a strategy should an exposure occur in any particular class?

A: Better for Froese to facilitate that with teachers so that not too much pressure on teachers. Need to engage kids in meaningful learning activities. Asks for time to communicate with teachers.

Q: Also good to consider kids that have to stay home because sick but not with covid and are capable of working from home using Teams.

Q: Would make sense that each teacher draw from last year and send out resources should parents need to home school.

A: find a way to create a resource list to share.

Q: If there is a need for teachers that they would find helpful where the PAC can assist for resources, specific families, fund for parents/families to pay for subscriptions for online learning.

Q: Can teachers give more time for kids to get in and out of outdoor gear.

A: If specific problem have a conversation with that teacher.

Q: Are there any TOCs on premise, or a certain set of TOCs or random?

A: regular call out system, but based on availability there are some consistent TOCs. District was going to keep people in quadrants of the city.

Q: Is there a threshold for shutting a school down?

A: Don't know, up to VCH. Depends on so many different factors. Not a number threshold but with type of case and type of spread.

Q: Would there be ramifications if you chose to not send your child back to school in January?

A: Could lose spot at the school if the school is full. But because of Covid times, hard to hypothesize. Can put out to the DPAC for answer. Would only be an issue if cross-boundary or if school was full.

Q: Parent suggestion to decorate holiday cards for meals on wheels, if pac bought supplies could get kids to participate?

A: Yes, next steps, Callie let Jo know timing and discuss budget and supplies. Teachers need time to work it in to day plans. Leadership initiative as well to ask kids.

Q: how much budget

A: How much 300 cards, envelopes, supplies cost

A: photos to put on meals on wheels website

A: deadline december 4th,

Q: is seismic upgrade still on schedule, when more info?

A: finished with electrical audit, still on schedule, Michael Rossi has a few things in the works before meeting with seismic team

Q: Could the pac purchase rain gear and work with Carrie to distribute?

A: pac can support people in need, understanding is that most kids have rain gear they are just not wearing it. Lost and found items have been repurposed. Carrie to let pac know the needs around that.

Q: can we do fundraising this year like pie hole?

A: no soiree, goal to recruit for an online auction for the spring. Other fundraisers last year largely grade 7 trip. Talk of doing some others but have to make sure logistics are not a

problem. Possible walk a thon in the spring. Still can return empty bottles. Can we set up the bar code?

Chair Report: Julia & Jo (5 minutes)

- Class rep list complete
- If have not had correspondence email livingstonepac@gmail.com to reach out to rep regarding difficulties getting list together
- Fall fund drive delay in shipping, hoping cards will go home in latter half of next week
 - Will run until December 18
 - If make donation, will get a tax receipt right away before close of the year
- Spirit wear link up and open until December 1st
 - Info will go around in pac newsletter and by class reps
 - Merch same as last year but new masks and sweatpants
 - Can still buy after december 1st but if you want it for holiday season need to order
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Treasurer Report: Krista & Vanessa (5 minutes) Please review documents **in advance** of the meeting so that we are able to approve and move forward.

[November Treasurer's Report](#)

Leigh Ann motions to approve

Tamlynn seconds

Unfinished Business:

- None at this time.

New Business:

- Direct Drive Fundraiser will run in November (a delay in shipping on the cards - hoping to send home week of 11/23)
- 2021-22 PAC Exec Recruiting (we'll keep this on as a reminder throughout the year - if you are interested, please reach out)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 16th, 7:00 p.m. Zoom call instructions will be the same as this call. Agenda will be posted one week prior to this meeting. If you have anything you'd like added to the agenda, please email livingstonepac@gmail.com.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:08 p.m.