

MINUTES  
Van Tech PAC Meeting – September 25, 2018 @ 7:30-8 pm  
School Library

1. Welcome & Introductions  
Parents/guardians, principal, vice principal, teacher rep, PAC exec (chair, treasurer, secretary), counsellor grade 8, good mix of parents grade 8-12 present
2. Annette Vey-Chilton, principal  
Principal's report (see website for more details): Highlights: new VP, new Cst Murphy school liaison, Alina new SACY rep, smooth start-up with all positions filled, new homeroom structure with multiple grades to promote sense of community, LSP pilot program at VT for grade 8, breakfast club every day, next week "Clubs" day – watch for on Instagram too (cafeteria, garden), new website rollout from VSB, school events – Orange shirt day, Terry Fox run, postsecondary presentations Oct 3 & 23, photo retakes Oct 10, Safeteen for grade 9's Oct 15 & 17, Pro-D Oct 19, SACY Building bridges with your Teen, VT hosting Nov. 21.
3. Bodo Niek, counsellor  
Grade 8 counsellor, providing support to same students through their whole grade 8-12 experience, educational counselling, personal, any concerns, always welcome, available for any concerns.
4. Alina Jacob, SACY liaison  
Supporting and Connecting Youth – VT to host the parent workshop Building Bridges with your Teen – what are teens thinking about? How to talk "when" they are ready. Learn to support healthy decision making.  
Nov 21 7-9pm. Please register on website [www.sacy.eventbrite.com](http://www.sacy.eventbrite.com)
5. James Hethey, outgoing teacher rep to PAC  
Introducing new rep Brittany Beaton, representing teachers, funding requests.
6. Amy Chuang, PAC chair  
PAC Overview – No fundraising. We apply for the gaming grant. At budget meeting the requests for funds from teachers/staff, or reviewed and accepted/denied/partially funded, depending on the grant. Everyone has a say in the distribution of funds. We provide guidance and info for parents, discuss and set up possible workshops of interest after meetings or different days. See website for monthly meetings, contact info, etc.
7. Sharon Henderson, treasurer  
Treasurer's report posted every two months approx, with monthly expenditures, total pay-outs to date.
8. Announcements:  
Amada DPAC, secretary for District PAC -Workshop PAC 101 Sept 27, Trustee forum Oct 3 for upcoming elections. See website for more details. All parents/caregivers welcome.
9. Adjourn meeting & **Next PAC Meeting – October 30, 2018 @ 7pm**  
Agenda topics to include:

- budget approvals 2018-2019 academic year
- ideas for speakers for future meetings
- Nurse Derek Roelofsen

(Other presentations avail if parents are interested, see BCTF website, past PAC minutes, or email PAC)

**Any suggestions and/or comments for future meetings, please email [chairvt@gmail.com](mailto:chairvt@gmail.com)**