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Van Tech PAC Meeting – November 27, 2018 @ 7:00-8:20 pm  
*School Library*

1. Welcome & Introductions – Amy Chuang, PAC chair  
Parents/guardians, principal, teacher rep, PAC exec (chair, treasurer, secretary), school nurse, SACY rep Kelly
2. Sharon Henderson, treasurer  
Treasurer's report: allocation amounts, approximate amounts left for January allocations.
3. Annette Vey-Chilton, principal  
Principal's report Highlights: parent/teacher conferences; winter sports, course planning/listing still ongoing; new website launch from VSB still in the works; water pipe work ongoing; new liaison school trustee, Instagram successful (follow us!); book drive; Holiday Hamper kick off; Jazz cab fundraiser; winter concerts Dec 6 & 11 junior/senior; Dec 11 Term 1 report cards; Studio plays Dec 12/13; Breakfast with Santa for grade 8's. See website for more details.
4. Vaping Presentation:  
Presented by Sacy liaison Kelly and school nurse Derek  
Shared the power point presentation given to teachers, a lot of info already shared w/ students, reasons to try/start, concerns re risks, unregulated product, marketing sensational, lots of questions, not a lot of research available, so much unknown, so new. A lot of discussion around Not allowed on school grounds, same bylaw as cigarette smoking, paraphernalia confiscated from students, info sheet posted.
5. Brittany Beaton, teacher rep  
Shared thank-yous from teachers for funding, questions re partial funding answered by her and Annette. Will send out reminder to teachers to submit requests for January's meeting.
6. Amanda Hillis, DPAC secretary  
General meeting Jan. 24 will have presentation on what the legalization of cannabis means for our kids and schools. Parents/caregivers welcome. Also upcoming Anxiety in Children & Youth. Still need for Van Tech representative to be able to help voice and/or add our voice to decisions. See DPAC website for more details.
7. Adjourn meeting & **Next PAC Meeting – January 29, 2019 @ 7pm**  
Agenda topics to include:
  - donations to PAC can be made directly with receipts issued for tax purposes \*New\*
  - workshops to be hosted by PAC – areas of interest?
  - teacher requests for finances
  - info night for parents re course planning?

(Presentation ideas available on DPAC and BCTF websites, past PAC minutes, or email PAC)

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