1. Call to order 7:01 -

2. Approve minutes from June 2018 - approved by Renee LeNobel and seconded by Peter Grier with the following amendments
   a. Committee Report for Quebec Exchange (7.h.) - name corrected from Paula Jaspar to Paula Gill (committee report for QE);
   b. Wording (13.a) Change the sentence “Parents generally felt that this process was circumvented” to “Most parents reported that this process was being circumvented”.

3. Intro to the PAC - Bryan Dar Santos (vice chair) - Powerpoint

4. Treasurer report - Heather Wesenberg via Gwen Floyd and Scott Graham
   a. direct donations - this year we will be able to receive your donation funds via VSB online payment portal rather than cheque. Parents will receive a tax receipt right away; We will provide more information once the technology is running.
   b. Operating surplus from last year - will be transferred forward to this year;
   c. We will establish a fund for multi-year projects; e.g. Earth Bites,

5. Chair report - Scott Graham
a. PAC pin money $100/class - will be distributed to each division. Money provided directly to each divisions’ teacher(s).
b. Field trip money - $200 per class - to subsidize field trip cost for parents

6. Vice chair report / Committee Reports - Bryan Dar Santos -
   a. Welcome back BBQ - Paula Jaspar - the event was a great success; raised significant funds for Quebec Exchange 2018/19;
   b. Scholastic and Festival du Livre - Paula Jaspar - we need new co-chair! Our goals are to promote literacy, raise funds for teachers provide leadership opportunities to grade 6’s, and raise credits for classroom equipment and supplies. This year we will only have one book fair on Oct 17 & 18; Please contact Paula at pjaspar@shaw.ca if you have any questions re volunteer or co-chair responsibilities.
   c. Diversity - Celena Benndorf- we have 6 core members (10 total); we are just getting started; we welcome more members;
   d. Halloween Haunt - Pete Grier - the Haunt will be on Oct 26; an email has been sent out to the entire parent community to solicit more volunteers - we already have 10 volunteers but we are still looking for parent leads; Please email Pete at pwgrier@me.com or Bryan Dar Santos at bryan@financeworks.ca; Tim Vines may be the co-chair;
   e. Munch a lunch - Anthony Floyd - nothing major to report - class divisions have been set up; account receivables working; welcome back BBQ funds worked without incident; receiving choir registration; ready for lunch
   f. Pizza lunch - Fiona Lo volunteered to be the lead this year but would love to have a co-lead; please sign pizzacoordinator@gmail.com if interested in volunteering; or go directly to www.signup.com/go/NRGLFht;
g. Emergency Reunification Committee (formerly Earthquake kit committee) - Collette O’Reilly VSB Manager of Occupational Health and Safety and Disaster Preparedness - will present on October 24 - to explain the reunification plan in the event of an emergency; we will not need to have the comfort kits returned this year; nancy.e.cameron@gmail.com

h. Bike to School - Lisa Corriveau - no updates

i. Sustainability - Vicky Baker - new garden program (Earth Bites) and green classroom (on the deck) is on its way. Thank you Vicky for pushing this along

j. Camp Sasamat - Carrie Cu will be the new lead

k. Choir - Scott Graham - starting this Friday with new director Colleen Cotton - we are planning for a winter and possibly Remembrance Day presentation - practices for Gr 4-7 occur before school; practices for gr 1-3 occur at lunchtime; 60 children registered; lots of kids from grade 2 and 3; we could use volunteers to help to manage the kids

l. Quebec Exchange - Crystal Roche - Back to school BBQ was a great fundraiser; thank you Paula Jaspar and David Worland for making this event a big success this year; we received our experiences grant money for all the students; there will be more fundraising and events to follow;

m. Safe arrival - Cheri-Leigh Sewell - we need new people; email sent on the Friday newsletter- looking for alternate Wed volunteers; contact clsewell74@gmail.com

7. Principal report - Natalie Morissette

   a. A student (Max V) did an interspace project when he was in grade 5 - he built the school in minecraft, one brick at a time; he was invited to present to the Trustees at the board tonight. Natalie will provide the link so we all can visit the site

   b. Friday e bulletin - we receive your email contacts from VSB database which is derived from the verification sheet. if you
know anyone not receiving, have them call Mimi; also check junk mail;
c. Meet the teacher night - huge turnout; thank you for coming;
d. Brigitte Boily (librarian) - library.vsb.bc.ca - new resource - all students have library web address, username and password in their agendas. Brigitte demonstrated the library systems database (which students can access from home); students have free access to online resources including videos, National Geographic Kids; students can use these resources for research eg World Book online; Vancouver Province and Sun; in English and French; students can search what is in the L'Ecole Bilingue can place holds from home; under the my info tab - parents can check for overdues or returns;
e. Mindful lunch is a big hit - students eat in the classroom under supervision and instruction of teacher;
f. Food literacy project - working with Earth Bites. This year 8 classes will receive 1x/month time working with Pablo and a French nutritionist; 2xk, 3xgr3, 1xgr4, 2xgr6; there will be a green classroom on the outdoor deck; Thank you PAC for partly funding this project; there is a lot of interest from all of the teachers and the goal will be for all classes to have the opportunity to participate next year; some discussion re the content of the education on nutrition - Natalie will ask a group of teachers to present their classroom experience with Earth Bites at a future PAC Meeting.
g. XC program - running every T and Th morning
h. September transition went smoothly - class casting was timely;

8. Vice Principal report - Valerie Carriere
   a. Val is lead for Sasamat this year; dates booked and reserved for April;
b. Val is lead for QE - full grant received; starting to talk to our twins to set up programs; it is our turn to do the twinning this year;
c. School mascot - we currently do not have one, but we want to get one; staff will come up with a few ideas and will then present to parents and students; will narrow down to 5 and then vote; community wide decision (students, parents, teachers); if you have ideas please email me

9. Committee vacancies & formations
   a. Pizza Coordinator - looking for a Grade 4 parent that is willing to help Fiona Lo; Renee L suggested that the grade 4 parents present to the grade 3 parents in the spring to provide some information on the importance of fundraising (and pizza) for Camp Sasamat.
   b. FANTASTIC - “Food And Nutrition Tasty And Scrumptious To Ingest Committee” - new committee whose mandate is to review current lunch program, research alternative lunch options (nutrition, logistics, demand, fundraising) , present options to PAC; contact lapac@gmail.com; new committee - if you are interested please contact Bryan via bryan@financeworks.ca

Adjournment 7:58 - move Crystal, seconded by Pete Grier