

Victoria Square School Council			
		Council Meeting No. 6	Present:
		Location: VSPS Staff Room	Mr. Ko
			Mr. Barton
		Minutes of Meeting	David Wong
		Date: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:36 p.m.	Serena Wong
			Heidi Lau
			Trudy Tam
			Michelle Lee
			Stefan Elliott
			Fatemeh Mirsafavi
			Leena Sultan
			Tina Zhang
			Patty Jez
			Joseph Siu
			Penelope Biback
			Vicky Tang
			Vivian Lee
			Alex Tai
			Mia Ma

ITEM	TIME	DESCRIPTION	FACILITATOR
1	7:00 p.m.	Opening of Meeting	Patty
2	7:00 – 7:05 p.m.	Principal's Update	Mr. Ko
		- Craig Barton our new half-time VP shared with Lincoln Alexander	
		- Youth Wellness Network - incentive to help kids to be mindful to cope with anxiety, be more aware of mental health, with student leaders and teacher training as well	
		- VSPS now has about 500 students	
3	7:05 – 7:15 p.m.	2018-2019 School Council Recap	Patty/David
		- Summary of achievements	

		- Raised money with the sushi lunch, spring school dance, Samko Miko drive, ornament painting, movie night and supported the school bbq	
		- established the framework of the school council, council meeting, constitution, principal profile, and discussed parent concerns throughout the year	
		- Final budget report	Tina
		- See budget report from Tina	
		- \$990 in the account carrying forward	
		- Dissolve 2018-2019 Council	
4	7:15 - 7:33 p.m.	Elect 2019-2020 School Council	Mr. Ko
		- no more than 10 elected members and 4 executive positions (up to 6 general voting members)	
		- community (live and work in the area that don't have children at the school) members can be part of the council to such as grandparents, business owners, church goers, etc.	
		- typically council meetings are on Wednesday nights as well as school events	
		- 10 voting members of the council: Patty, David, Tina, Heidi, Serena, Penelope, Vicky, Vivian, Michelle and Trudy	
		- Heidi elected as secretary	
		- Tina elected as treasurer	
		- David elected as co-chair	
		- 2 potential candidates for chair: Patty and Vivian	
		- Patty elected as chair	
5	7:33 - 7:51 p.m.	Administration Items	
		- Confirm 2019-2020 School Council meeting dates	Mr. Ko
		- October 23, November 27, January 22, February 26, April 15, June 10	
		- Establish Sub-Committees (where needed)	
		o Hot Lunch	Patty
		- Pizza, Subway, Sushi and Kids Kitchen	
		- Subway fundraising run by the grade 8 and goes towards the grad trip	
		o Fundraising	

		- setup sub-committees for events that would run meetings in between the council meetings	
		- any members of the community can be a person that chairs an event, doesn't need to be part of the council	
		- David is running the sushi lunches and Leena and Serena would like to volunteer for the sushi lunch	
		- Fatemeh and Michelle would like to volunteer with the fundraising events	
		- Penelope and Leena would like to volunteer for the fundraising committees	
		- for events when you're not alone with the students/children you don't need background check	
		o VSPS Community Events	
		o Dress Code	
		- Leena would like to volunteer for the dress code committee	
		o School Council Constitution	
		- Penelope, Stefan, Vicky and Leena to review the constitution	
6	7:51 - 7:55 p.m.	Dress Code Discussion	Mr. Ko
		- discuss possible items like uniforms, which are possible if 80% of the school approves it	
		- volunteers to see Mr. Ko after the council meeting to work on it as a community	
		- to be reviewed every 2 years	
7	7:55 - 8:00 p.m.	Fundraising	Patty
		Fall Dance	
		- Mr. Ko has secured a DJ	
		- everyone will participate throughout the day, the groups will be broken up by grades and each group gets about 45mins	
		- students can come in costume if they like	
		- will include some French songs for the FI students	
		- fundraising must always have a purpose/goal, council will be held accountable for delivering to the parents	

8	8:00 - 8:04 p.m.	VSPS Community Events	Patty
		Fall Movie Night	
		- have the license already from last year	
		- possible date in November	
		- sold juice, popcorn and pizza last year, can repeat it this year	
		- David will check when the next releases are and select a movie at the next meeting	
		- possible to hold the event on another night besides Wednesday, Mr. Ko needs to check the permit in advance	
		- potentially setup 2 nights to separate the age groups	
9	8:04 - 8:36 p.m.	Open Forum Discussion	Patty
		- concern about the traffic outside the school, vehicles U-turning in an unsafe manner	
		- raise concern to YRP for a crossing guard at the school, need multiple voices to show concern	
		- can also send concerns to Road Watch, Mr.Ko has a contact there	
		- school lunch on Wednesday is sushi but potential options are Booster Juice for wraps, any intent for change can be setup for January	
		- with Monday it's hard to have lunch program because of the holidays	
		- pizza lunch is offered as a meal package to make sure everyone gets what they ordered, instead of offering options with pizza only or packages	
		- possibility to apply for grants for fundraising purposes as well	
		- discussion about a possible hair code, would be hard to implement though	
		- Edsby is not working properly for some parents, Tina to forward the issue to Mr.Ko to contact Edsby	
		- the yard is divided by grades during recess	
		- during recess or lunch parents/grandparents are not allowed on school premises, this is to instill "Stranger Danger" for the students so they are more aware when there is an actual stranger on the property	

		- concern is parents intermingling during the drop-off time when children are playing	
		- meet the teacher night on October 2nd	
		- class rearrangement will happen with the junior grades but no change with the primary grades (JK - 3)	
		- teacher's strike mandate might be happening, lunches need to be canceled and refunded to parents or stretched to another week	
10	8:36 p.m.	Adjournment	Patty
		NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday, October 23, 2019	