



West Vancouver  
**DPAC**

## PAC 101

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# PURPOSE OF A PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

- To advocate for **excellence in education**, for the **safety and well being** of our **students** and the **effective and meaningful involvement** of the **parents** as partners.
- Where are you at & where are you going?





# FOUNDATIONS

- Effective Inclusive PAC Meetings - Robert's Rules of Order
- Meaningful Current Bylaws - easy to understand so you can work within them
- Transparency & Accountability
- Balanced Budget
- Solid Communications
- Strong Team



# WORKING WITH THE SCHOOL

- Build a solid relationship
- Alignment of parent & administration goals
- Clear budget to align with school goals
- Support school initiatives as best you can
- Ask for accountability
- Recognize your principal and teachers





# TEAM BUILDING

- Find your leaders
- Support your team leaders to succeed
- Make volunteering easy – tons of online tools
- Streamline processes with online tools
- Succession planning
- Build a strong supportive team – Exec, Principal, DPAC
- Celebrate your successes
- Applaud & recognize your team



# COMMUNICATIONS WITH PARENTS

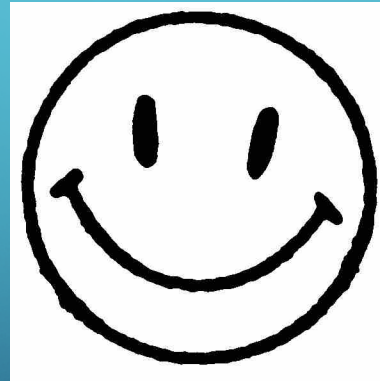
- Continuity with key messages
  - Develop your PAC Voice & ID
- Continuity with dissemination
  - e-news, website, posters, classroom parents, PAC meetings
- Communication is a two way street
  - Ask for feedback in a meaningful way
- Be weary of late night emails!





# FUNDRAISING

- **Keep It Simple**



**MAKE A DIFFERENCE  
& HAVE FUN**

