**SENTINEL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

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Held on Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Library Mezzanine, 1250 Chartwell Drive

West Vancouver, BC V7S 2R2

**COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE:** Charlotte Wei President

Sunny Sun DPAC Rep

Muni Ismail Co-Secretary

**PRESENT:** Arghy Nia, Shabnam Taheri, Jia Lu, Daniela Tolemann

**Meeting was called to order at 9:00am.**

**Meeting Agenda**

1. Opening Remarks --- Charlotte (1 Minute)
2. Approval of agenda and Jan., 2020 minutes - All (1 Minute)
3. Principal Report – Mr. Finch (25 Minutes)
4. DPAC Rep Report – Sunny (5 Minutes)
5. Multicultural Lunch Wrap-up & Financials – Charlotte (15 Minutes)
6. Computer Lab Fundraising Updates – Charlotte (3 Minutes)
7. Miscellaneous Matters and Free Discussion ( 10 Minutes)
8. Charlotte started the meeting by asking approval of January minutes and today’s agenda. Moved first by Sunny and second by Jia. All in favour.
9. Mr. Finch gave the Principal’s report on:
10. MCL was a huge success. It provides great energy and culture in our school.

He thanked the entire PAC team and the MCL team for all their efforts.

1. Mr Finch was very grateful to the parents for their generous contributions towards the computer lab. The staff are looking at what is the most meaningful device. They have been considering the chrome book versus the lab top.
2. Scholarships will remain the same this year. Funding about $3000-$4000 for the scholarship.
3. Grad commencement: 250 kids will be graduating this year.
4. Staffing changes for Feb : Emily Chang will be taking over and is doing amazing. We also have a couple of other teachers on health leave: Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, J Macdonald..
5. Upcoming numeracy and literature assessment coming up in April for grade 10 and 11. Next year Grade 12 will take the literacy and Numeracy assessment.
6. DPAC Report by Sunny: Upcoming Parent-Educating Event: “Like” Behind the Screens April 15, 2020 @7:00pm in Kay Meek Theatre, Ticket $10; The film will educate, inform and inspire people to effectively self regulate their screen time. Key points in Kennedy’s report: West Vancouver school district needs affordable housing options to staff so that its working staff can live closer to work; robotic academy is now full; Elementary schools are reviewing divisions after spring break; on Corona-virus: if 20-25% absence is reached in schools, there will be a law for schools to inform all contacts and alert them of a critical stage and parents may choose to let their children stay home. Right now discussions are been held regarding whether the schools should be closed.
7. Multi-Cultural Lunch Wrap-up and Financials by Charlotte: talked about the details of the MCL lunch. Cash donations received funds: $760. General cost: $713.16 (this was for purchasing Pizza, plates, cups, gloves; printing posters; and reimbursing Japan Table’s partial costs). Ticket Sales: $ 7,305.95. Net proceeds: $ 7352.97.
8. Updates on Computer Lab Fundraising by Charlotte: school district has received a total of $6695.00. Two Chinese parents, on behalf of the whole Chinese parent Community, will give another generous donation of $6,500.00 to the school later today. Pac executives will meet and reach consensus in April to use half of the reserve fund in PAC account towards renovation of the computer lab, approximately $23,000.00.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:03 am.