VCSTA Rep Meeting

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| January 26, 2023 |

Location:

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| Virtual - ZOOM | Start Time : 3:20 |

Prayer/Call to Order: Louise Fader / Rae-Anne Prinster

Roll Call - In Attendance: Sandra Pink

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| Name | School | Name | School |
| ------------------------- | Archbishop Carney | Janice Schollen✔ | St. Bernadette’s |
| Kelly Neri | Assumption, Powell River | Samantha Grosart | St. Catherine’s |
| Marion Buan✔  Eunice Rodrigues✔ | Blessed Sacrament | Adam Grossi | St. Edmund’s |
| Agnes Kramer✔ | Cloverdale Catholic | Elizabeth Castro✔ | St. Francis de Sales |
| Charlotte D’alessandro✔ | Corpus Christi | Caterina Busto✔ | St. Francis of Assisi |
| Elena Mobilio | Holy Cross Elementary | Daryl Bartman | St. Francis Xavier |
| Antonio Sorace | Holy Cross Secondary | Claudia Martinelli✔ | St. Helen’s |
| Kate Keogh✔ | Holy Trinity | Sheena Lewis | St. James |
| Lisa Saharchuk✔ | IC Delta | Celina ten-Bohmer | St. John Brebeuf Secondary |
| Felicity Logie✔ | IC Vancouver | Cecilia Ramirez✔ | St. Joseph the Worker |
| -------------------------- | Notre Dame Secondary | Nadine Primerano  Louise Fader✔ | St. Joseph’s |
| Lara Martini✔ | Our Lady of Fatima | Sonia DiFonzo✔ | St. Jude’s |
| Josie Spagnuolo | Our Lady of Good Counsel | Christina Marino | St. Mary’s, Vancouver |
| ------------------------ | Our Lady of Mercy | Mark Seiler | St. Mary’s, Chilliwack |
| Marianna Brancati  Jessica DiLoreto | OLPH | Stepfanie Dignan✔  Amanda Kools | St. Matthew’s |
| Lorenzo Basso | Our Lady of Sorrows | Jasenka Buric✔ | St. Michael’s |
| Alice Valente✔ | Our Lady of Assumption | Rae-Anne Prinster✔ | St. Patrick’s, Maple Ridge |
| Doris Langlois✔ | Queen of All Saints | Sandra Pink✔ | St. Patrick’s, Vancouver |
| Lisa Wiechers✔ | Sacred Heart | Tina Tinaburri✔ | St. Patrick’s Secondary |
| Mira Bota  Erik Peters✔ | St. Andrew’s | Clarissa Guevara✔ | St. Paul’s |
| Fiaonnuala O’Leary✔ | St. Anthony of Padua | Caterina Cutri✔ | St. Pius X |
| --------------------- | St. Anthony’s | Paul Savage | St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary |
| Angelica Agregado✔  Jason O’Sullivan | St. Augustine’s | Joey Cristiano✔  Karen Borkowski✔ | Star of the Sea |
| In Attendance: 30 |  |  |  |

Business Arising From Last Month’s Meeting

I. VCSTA Website updates “in progress”

- webmaster has made changes, however updates continue

- please email Rae-Anne if anything on the website seems confusing, difficult to access,

or incorrect ([vcsta.executive@gmail.com](mailto:vcsta.executive@gmail.com))

II. VCSTA REPS

- 42 out of 46 schools have Reps! Thank you for being a VCSTA Rep

III. VCSTA pamphlet/poster

- “what the VCSTA does for you” info pamphlet is “in progress” (Lisa Saharchuk is working on it)

IV. BURSARIES

- applications now closed

- bursary recipients will be informed at the CEC

V. REPORT CARDS

- teachers like the 2 reporting periods, with 1 an additional shorter report

- many teachers are struggling with the opening, anecdotal section

- some school report cards are extremely long

- there is some confusion over the achievement level descriptors (are teachers using the same criteria

within the CISVA? within the same school? OR is “developing” for one teacher, another teacher’s

“emerging”?)

- teachers feel that there is a vast difference within the low end and high end of the descriptors (i.e., when

comparing descriptors to grades – consider the difference between a B- and a B+)

- Report Expectations:

Opening – positive comments on student “strengths” in the area of *core competencies*

Closing – how to support student “needs”

Under each subject area, comment on challenges

- teachers suggest: an “in service” on report cards, as well as grade-level networking to discuss 1. which

curricular competencies should be reported on at each grade level (this would provide some consistency

within the CISVA) 2. how to write the outcomes using the new format (curricular competency +as

demonstrated by +content

-every teacher is working on their own instead of pooling our strengths and helping each other out

Motion to Approve Previous Minutes:

Motioned By:

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| Agnes Kramer |

Seconded By:

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| Joey Cristiano |

Reports

I. President's Report – Rae-Anne Prinster

Changes at the CISVA

* Rae-Anne called Sandra Marshall to congratulate her on her new “superintendent” position
* Nicole Regush will take on Sandy’s current job

CEC

* VCSTA will have a booth at the CEC
* A new 6 ft, VCSTA banner will be purchased for $210
* There will be a “prize wheel” at the VCSTA booth. All members are invited to spin to win! Everyone will win at least a coffee card!
* Teachers who are interested in becoming a member can sign up on site

VCSTA Executive

* There are 5 VCSTA Executive Members
* Rae-Anne Prinster is VCSTA President; she has also been fulfilling Treasurer duties
* Lisa Saharchuk will gradually assume the Treasurer position

Other

* membership cheques are not yet cashed, awaiting bank procedures that will give president signing authority

II. Board of Director’s Report – Louise Fader

* due to changes in roles at the CISVA, the meeting was very short
* changes to Policy 107 are forthcoming

III. FORUM - Karen Borkowski (VCSTA Executive Rep to FORUM)

* 1st meeting took place on Jan. 25th
* teachers’ input is welcomed and encouraged; please send to Karen through VCSTA email

([vcsta.executive@gmail.com](mailto:vcsta.executive@gmail.com)). Karen will gather the information and bring concerns to the

FORUM (salary, pension, benefits, working conditions – extra curricular, supervision, etc.)

* CISVA compensation package will not be affected for another 2 years
* 1st recommendation(s) will be made to Board on July 1st

IV. Treasurer's Report

NONE

New Business

* Topics for SO, CISVAAA, VCSTA Meeting on Monday, Jan. 30th, @ IC Delta:

-congratulations to those in new job positions

-update on number of VCSTA Reps/Members

-“Meet the Consultants” who support teachers

-feedback on “networking” event

-Ed Camp

-Report Card feedback

Action Items:

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| What? | Who? | By When? |
| * CEC coffee cards/gift card prizes | Rae-Anne |  |
| * Find out time we can enter CEC to set up | Rae-Anne |  |
| * Tax receipts | Karen |  |
| * Lists of members for CEC | Rae-Anne |  |
| * VCSTA Banner | Rae-Anne |  |
| * VCSTA pamphlet | Lisa |  |
| * Names of e-transfers (memberships), and bank balance | Karen |  |

Next VCSTA Rep Meeting:

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| Date | Time | Location: Virtual/Address |
| March 30th | 3:15 | ZOOM |

Adjournment of Meeting

Motioned By:

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| Eunice Rodrigues |

Seconded By:

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| Cecilia Ramirez |

Time of Adjournment:

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| 4:00 |