Conejo Valley Student Commission

November Meeting Agenda

Location: Westlake Village Civic Center in the Large Community Room

(31200 Oak Crest Drive, Westlake Village, CA 91361)

Date: Nov. 12, 2016

Time: 2 PM – 4 PM

Attendees:

* Student Commissioners - Alyssa, Vicki, Tian, Andy, Matthew, Kevin Chen, Ben, Katelin, Michelle, Victor
* Guests: Sam Dick, Boyan Hu, Rachel Dick

Absentees: Evelyn Zhai, Jane Zhang, Connie Ye, Andrew Yang, Kevin Yu, Kyle Lee

Meeting Minutes Recorder: Victor Zhou

*Agenda*

Meeting master’s opening: **Tian (2 minutes)**

* 100 best CEOs of 2016 from Harvard Business Review
  + 22 nationalities 19 countries
  + 7 Chinese out of 100
* The main points were what allows one to rise to the top and how to become successful.

Supervisor’s welcome: **Wen (3 minutes)**

* Election Analysis
  + Promoted the usage of this election as an opportunity to think strategically.
* Tiger Moms
  + Understand the traits of Tiger Mom to assist your mother to raise a better American child.
* Proposed an idea to convince the CVSD to offer Mandarin in middle schools.

Campers’ appreciation: **Ben (10 minutes)**

* Distributed more than 30 summer campers’ appreciation letters among the student attendees and shared the joy together by reading them out loud.

Social media project overview: **Kevin (10 minutes)**

* Objective: reach out to community using social media to promote the CVSC.
* Why Use Social Media?
  + Allow prompt communication with a large and diverse audience.
  + Can use it to build relations with other organizations and people.
  + Many big companies and events have gotten great publicity, such as the ice bucket challenge and #shareacoke
* Social Media Team: manage all the different accounts for social media. Fb, Instagram, Twitter.
* Promote upcoming events. Important meetings
* Can use an email account such as [conejovalleysc@gmail.com](mailto:conejovalleysc@gmail.com) to contact guest speakers and organizations.
* Using one centralized email account might reduce the efficiency of communicating with various organizations and guests.
* The potential solution for the above mentioned problem might be allowing the email access of [conejovalleysc@gmail.com](mailto:conejovalleysc@gmail.com) to all the commissioners.

Presidential election analysis: **Katelin, Matthew, Michelle, and Tian (5 minutes per analysist)**

Katelin: Why Did Trump Win?

* Political strategies that allowed trump to win:
  + Voter turnout and support:
    - Millennials:
      * born 1982-2002
      * Replacing baby boomers
      * 18-29 years are millennials.
      * Hillary:54% vs 60% Obama
    - Race:
      * Hillary had less support from African Americans. 88% African Americans whereas Obama was 93%
      * Clinton: 65% Hispanic Obama: 71% Hispanic
    - Gender:
      * 52% of women for Hillary
      * 55% of women for Obama
      * 53% of men for Hillary vs 41% for Trump
  + Media:
    - Polls showed Trump had a 30% chance whereas Hillary had 70+
      * Not accurate
        + Voter turnout.  
          Democrats believed their votes didn't matter as it was a guaranteed win for Hillary, creating a false sense of security.
      * In August, unconventionally replaced the campaign manager with Kellyanne Conway.
      * Hired **Cambridge Analytica** (CA), which is a privately held company that combines data mining and data analysis with strategic communication for the electoral process.

Matthew: Why Didn't Hillary Win?

* Distrust from voters.
  + Email scandals
  + Previous poor choices:
    - 1978 whitewater controversy
      * Real estate fraud.
    - 9/11 2012 4 innocents died, 1 was ambassador
      * Hillary had a lot of power, but did nothing about it
* The rally effect.
  + Many who said who voted for Trump didn't say so.
  + Hidden voters and passionate voters are some examples.
  + The FBI investigation resurgence caused Trump to bring more supporters. Called her “corrupted” and yelled out the dirty money of her campaign.

Michelle: How Did Journalism Sway the Election?

* Major newspapers endorsed Hillary and castigated Trump. NYT, Washington Post, etc.
  + Forced a group of people into secrecy, Trump supporters.
  + Created polarizing media landscape, caused silent voters that said no for polls and yes in voting.
* Open cultural-political rebellion.
  + Distrust caused them to vote republican
* Reverse psychology.
  + Constant pressure to go against Trump caused people want to vote for Trump

Tian: The Presidential Race is Like a Game of Chess.

* 3 Key states lost: Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania
* Why did she lose those states?
  + False sense of security and didn't think she could lose those states.
  + Hadn't been to Wisconsin since primaries.
  + Spent too much time in Texas and deep red states.
    - She could have won them if she had spent more time in the key states.
* The polls weren’t and aren't accurate. This is because the US has the lowest voter turnout of all democratic states.
  + Those who said something in a poll may end up not voting.

Proposal selection approval form: Tian

* Showed improved forms
* Separated the draft into the Proposal and Approval forms

FBLA – LDI experience: Andy

Community outreach session.

* Important for community unification.
* We should take inspiration from it and use it to unify our organization.
* Learn to pitch ideas and deliver presentations.

**Break for 10 minutes**

“Why tiger moms fail to raise leaders” : **Tian (40 minutes)**

**Ben**: The environment one grows up in is important. If a mom controls everything about one's life, when the person leaves the home, they might fail to develop self-confidence and decisiveness.

**Andy**: Tiger moms focus too much on academic performance and is lacking in the area of developing self-confidence. Their aggressive methods are thrifty in giving praise. Leaders must be creative and able to think outside the box, and that is contradictory to the tiger mom’s ideals.

**Tian**: Inability to think in our generation is possibly a result of helicopter parenting. Before, academics were important, but now it no longer is as important as innovation. To be successful, one must be able to make their own choices. After achieving their goals set by parents, they feel entitled. This leads to unacceptance to other’s advice.

**Michelle**: She claimed she was unsure and hesitant, a result of tiger parenting. Causes a loss in choice and free will along with a loss of social life. Kids learn that failure is not an option, and this makes kids lose self-confidence. In contrast, letting them know failure is a universal truth and to learn from it leads to better development of leadership skills. Leaders are not afraid. Tiger children fear that a single mistake breaks their relationship with their parents. This isn't a world where that creates a good leader.

**Alyssa**: Mom wants one to be something else, but parents want them to be something specific.

Good discipline and bad discipline.

* Praise versus criticizing.
* Praise is better for mental health.

Push children to do things they may not excel in.

**Vicki**: It is important for a mother to tell you to do something or to give you advice. A tiger mom tells a child that everything they do is bad or could be done better and ends up suppressing their children, causing fear. Tiger moms are found more in Asians as they are immigrants and when they arrived in the US, they had to build up from very little. As a result, they had a point of low confidence and feel like they need to control their children’s lives to remedy this in them.

**Katelin**: Every mother wants to help their children achieve a lot in life.

What is important to leaders?

* Confidence
* Dependence
* Communication
* Charisma
* Their own experiences

Tiger moms suppress this and hinder children’s independence.

Some examples

* Babying their children
* Don't accept their kid is growing up

While aspects of tiger moms are good, too much is bad.

Discipline is good but too much can degrade self-confidence and suffocates children. Asking what happened and how they can improve is better than yelling and pointing out their faults.

**Kevin**: Actual Tiger Parents make sure animals do things correctly so they can survive. Human tiger parents make every decision, much more extensively than actual tigers. They want their children to be the best and focus on self-improvement. As a result, children lose out on social life. There is no fostering of confidence. Children need to perfect themselves before they can be leaders and help others.

Winners of the Tiger Mom speech:

Andy

Michelle

Tian

**Irwin**: Summary and Review

Good points

* Tiger moms appear as a result of their experiences.

Improvement

* What is leadership? Didn't mention.
* Give some examples as to why tiger parenting is good.

Closing by Lana, Irwin, Li and lead: **Tian (10 minutes)**