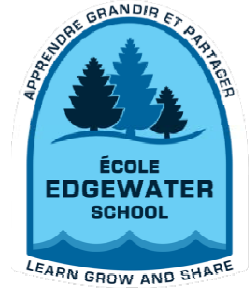


Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

October 21st, 2014



Governing Board:

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:	Regrets:
Mike Aragona (Chair) Kris de Forest (Vice Chair) Lily Medeiros (RA) (Sec) Nadia Franceschini Claudette Benoit (RR) Suzanne Hermann Darryl Climan	Natalie Lacombe Heather D'Entremont Marg Zipay Daphne Amster Deborah King-Brassard Kiel Howden	Liz Rivard (Principal) Beth Miller (Daycare)	Darryl Climan Jodie Roberts
		Commissioner: (to be named)	
			Absences:
		Community: Jodie Roberts (Sec)	Guests:
RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary			

- 1) Welcome at 19:06
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda with addition of 8e: Field Trips
Motioned by Kiel Howden, Seconded by Marg Zipay; All in Favor
- 3) Adoption of the September 30th, 2014 Minutes
Motion to approve by Daphne Amster, Seconded by Kris de Forest; All in Favor
- 4) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
 - a) **Concern:** regarding the use of classrooms by daycare: School supplies in student desks are private property and should not be touched by other students.
Response: Daycare has all supplies they need on their trolleys. Staff and kids continuously reminded.
Reminder: Parents are encouraged to contact Beth directly regarding any and all questions and concerns around Daycare services. Her email is on the school website. Also, as stated in our handbook, Parents who use the daycare service are entitled to be part of a Daycare
 - b) **Concern:** Are the Ipads being used?
Response: Yes. There were two days with no wi-fi and the program began in October not September.
Reminder: For a quicker response, parents are encouraged to communicate any concerns about the iPad program directly to their children's teachers using their agenda.

- c) **Concern:** When is the second dose for the vaccines? Info/Pamphlet not clear.
Response: Booster shots in 6 months (April). Another communiqué will be sent out as a reminder.
- d) **Concern:** Is there a wasp problem?
Response: There was a nest in the tree outside, but it has since been removed by the city.

5) Business Arising from the Minutes

a) Governing Board Internal Rules and Procedures (2014-2015)

i) Section 7. Meetings:

Original: “The Edgewater Governing Board will meet on a monthly basis with the exception of July and August.”

Change to: “The Edgewater Governing Board will meet on a monthly basis with the exception of January, July, and August.”

Motion to accept change by Mike Aragona, Seconded by Beth Miller; All in favor

ii) Section 16. Voting Outside of Scheduled Meetings – Points 2 (2.3) and 3 (3.2):

Original: “Members are subsequently provided with 7 days to return comments to the Chair for circulation...”

Motion to change the 7 day waiting period to 5 days by Kris de Forest, Seconded by Nadia Franceschini; All in favor

iii) Section 16. Voting Outside of Scheduled Meetings – Points 2 (2.4) and 3 (3.3):

Original: “2.4 A voting period of at least 72 hours is provided after the last circulation of comments.”

Motion to change the 72 hours voting period to 48 hours by Kris de Forest, Seconded by Nadia Franceschini; All in favor

b) School Board Elections

- i) Please remember to vote and encourage everyone you know. If unsure which candidate to choose, go to the LBPSB website and watch the archived debates.

c) Confirmation of Governing Board Meeting Schedule

- i) September 30, 2014 (completed)
- ii) October 21, 2014 (completed)
- iii) November 18, 2014
- iv) December 9, 2014
- v) February 10, 2015
- vi) March 17, 2015
- vii) April 21, 2015
- viii) May 13, 2015
- ix) June 9, 2015

d) Nutrition Survey/ Nutrition Policy

- i) Draft will be sent by email prior to the next meeting

6) Reports

- a) School Council
 - i) Discussed work load. Halloween costumes will be allowed the afternoon of Oct 31st. Parents will be notified this week.
- b) Principal's Report – See Addendum #1
 - i) Will attempt to get us the presentation on the Antihomophobia program.
- c) Commissioner's Report – No report
 - i) Commissioner will be confirmed after the election.
- d) Regional Parent Committee Report – See Addendum #2
 - i) Request will be made to Barbara Freeston, president of the Pearson Educational Foundation to come speak with us.
 - ii) We were asked to provide the School Board 3 Topics/ Issues the school is facing. Please send your comments to Claudette.
- e) Daycare Report – See Addendum #3
 - i) There are huge issues with Chartwells. We will need to dig deeper regarding our contracts with them and get the School Board involved. Claudette to bring the issue up to CPC.
- f) Home & School
 - i) **Motion** to include Popcorn, Tea, and Flower Bulbs to the Chocolate Bar/ Catalogue Campaign. Approved by Suzanne Hermann; Seconded by Beth Miller; All in favor
 - ii) **Note to H&S from GB:** Craft Fair needs more visibility.

7) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)

- a) No questions

8) New Business

- a) **Motion** for a Hat Day of “Wonder” Fundraiser for the Montreal Children’s Hospital in late November by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Deborah King-Brassard; All in favor
- b) **Motion** to use October 28th as a Hat Day Fundraiser for “Shave to Save” by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Kris de Forest; All in favor
- c) Consultation: Enrollment Criteria (s. 239) (Closure Date Nov 28, 2014)
 - i) Discussion around how it could be applied to Edgewater should we need to Cap next year.
- d) Prepare and Adopt GB annual operating budget (s. 66)
 - i) 2013-2014 spending presented by Treasurer. \$461 allocated by School Board (based on size of school). \$230 spent for end of year meal, \$185 for sitting services, balance of \$46.
Motion to keep Liz Rivard as Treasurer by Mike Aragona; Seconded by Kris de Forest; All in favor
- e) Field Trips
 - i) Grade 4/5 Mrs. Macbeth, Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs. Krista: Trip to CBC as part of their Weather Theme. 44 students, 9:1 ratio, transport subsidized by Home & School allocation. Tentative date Nov 27th.
Motion by Daphne Amster, Seconded by Suzanne Hermann; All in favor
 - ii) **Ratification** of November 14 Kindergarten field trip to the EcoMuseum by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Beth Miller

- 9) Correspondence
 - a) No correspondence

- 10) Varia
 - a) A Lunch Choir will be formed, information to follow.
 - b) A "Holiday" theme event will be held at the end of the year. Details to follow.

11) Adjournment: Motioned by Heather D'Entremont at 20:33, Seconded by Natalie Lacombe; All in favor

Date Minutes Adopted	Chairperson	Principal
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Addendum #1 – Principal's Report

Principal's report to Governing Board October 21, 2014

- Air quality tests will be conducted on all the schools in the LBPSB.
- Integration aide time increase
- Stimulation jeunesse program going forward
- Grade 2 – Mme. Gaudreau's leave has been extended, Mme. Lucia will be remaining in the post
- Halloween – staff has voted this year to allow costumes (p.m. only), no masks, no props, no violent themes. Students will be invited to put on costumes at the end of lunch hour, or to wear black and orange..their choice.
- Nutrition policy update – very close to having a survey ready... will have to wait for one more meeting.
- Emergency preparedness plan will be presented at November meeting.
- Report Cards will be distributed Nov. 19, with interview/portfolio night Nov 20 (spillover on Nov. 21)
- Successful photo day was held, vaccinations for Grade 4 students as well.
- Photo retake day will be Wednesday Oct 29
- Request governing support to implement an Antihomophobia program at Edgewater.
- New field trip to CBC
- Received our preliminary budget parameters, funding reduced in library operating budget, homework program and wellness (no more). Rethinking approach to ECAs. Parents may have to pay more.
- Shave to save hat day October 28
- Don't forget to vote in the school board elections November 2... a reminder will be sent home to all parents

Addendum #2

Region 1 report October 2014

1) School board elections are taking place on November 2nd 2014 and advance polls are Oct 26; To show the government that the parents support and believe in the existence of their school board we need to see a strong voter turn out. We have to spread the word to the parent community, via social Medias. The future of our school board depends on us.

2) The LBPSB Chairperson Candidates debate took place at the school board on Monday October 20th and it was webcast.

Candidates:

- CHRIS EUSTACE
- ANGELA NOLET
- SUANNE STEIN-DAY

There were 3 themes for the questions:

- 1) The Future of LBPSB in Quebec
- 2) Student Success
- 3) Vision & Leadership

Unanswered questions will be sent to the candidates for their responses and posted to the CPC website, <http://cpc.lbpsb.qc.ca/> later this week. The debate itself will be archived on the LBPSB website until the election.

In addition to the chairman's debate, CPC has sent 5 questions to each of the commissioner candidates. Their responses will be organized by ward and also posted to website by midweek.

3) High School open house schedule is on the LBPSB website.

4) The 2nd Annual production of Charles Dickens a Christmas Carol will be taking place on Saturday November 29th at 7:30pm at Lakeside Academy Theatre. It will be performed by our own Pearson Administrators, teachers and students. Proceeds for the event will benefit the Pearson Education Foundation; Rona Cupak Fund that provides warm clothes for students in our own community. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children (under 16).

There was also a televised debate on Global TV last October 12th.

5) Would like to invite Barbara Freeston at one of our GB meeting, she is the president of the Pearson Educational Foundation to talk about the foundation, but also see how we could do a sister school snowsuit donation.

6) Governing Board training will be taking place in November, date to be determined.

7) For the Elementary Networking meetings for 2014-2015, we were asked to come up with topics for the year; issues our school is facing, resource information we could use and any topics that could help our school.

Addendum #3 – Daycare

Daycare Notes – October 2014

Brain Ewenson: The space guy did a fabulous presentation to 150 daycare students. Program was innovative and he shared how science is fun and cool!

Statement of Accounts: Parents were given a deadline of October 24, 2014 to have all their lunch fees and daycare fees up-to-date. Those that are in arrears will be sent collection letters the following week. Daycare services will be suspended for those families with outstanding fees.

Upcoming dates: There will be an in-house ped day on November 21, 2014. The school is closed and the daycare is closed on Friday, November 28, 2014. This is the day of the support staff's annual general meeting.

Chartwells: The hot lunch service has not gone well since the beginning of school. The daycare technician has been in contact with the company on numerous occasions. Counts of food have been off, replacement meals taking too long to be delivered, class lists wrong, food for students not in this school are a few of the many difficulties encountered this year. The technician met with a Chartwell's management today to review the service. Hopefully it will be improved in the coming weeks.

Pancake Breakfast: will be held in November. All daycare families will be notified well in advance.

Destination Imagination: starting up next Monday. Two daycare educators have taken this project on.