

Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

September 20, 2016



Governing Board:

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:	Regrets:
Mike Aragona (Chair) Vanessa Nolet (VC) Claudette Benoit (RR) Suzanne Hermann Kris de Forest (RA) Ekaterina Kamardina Derek Patino	Daphne Amster Debbie King-Brassard Sandra Nouh Trish Schofield Natalie Rippen-Randle Teresa Borrelli	Liz Rivard (Principal) Beth Miller (Daycare)	Kris de Forest Christina Fazio
		Commissioner: Wayne Clifford	
		Community: Christina Fazio (H&S)	Absences: Wayne Clifford
VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary			Guests:

- 1) Welcome at 19:05. Quick discussion on format of meeting (re: keeping questions on reports for after)
- 2) Introduction of all Governing Board Members
- 3) Adoption of the Agenda
 - Motioned** by Vanessa Nolet, Seconded by Daphne Amster; Carried
- 4) Adoption of the September 8, 2016 Minutes
 - Motion** to approve by Beth Miller, Seconded by Claudette Benoit; Carried
- 5) Vote for Governing Board positions.
 - a) Mike Aragona voted in as Chair, Vanessa Nolet as Vice-Chair
 - b) Kris de Forest voted in as Alternate Regional Parent Rep
 - c) Mike Aragona voted in as Secretary
 - d) Liz Rivard voted in as Treasurer
- 6) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
 - a) **No Questions**
- 7) Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) Review Success Plan (s.75) – Tabled until November
 - b) Begin periodic review of Educational Project (s. 74) – Tabled until December
 - c) Report on evaluation of the implementation of success plan (s. 83, 110.3.1) – Tabled until February
- 8) Reports

- a) School Council – Teresa Borrelli
 - i) Verbal report given
 - b) Principal's Report – See Addendum #1
 - i) For The Family and School Support and Treatment Team Lecture Series, see Addendum #3
 - c) Commissioner's Report – No report given
 - d) Regional Parent Committee Report
 - i) The School Board will be holding a GB training session October 20, 2016 that will be webcast
 - ii) Basecamp will be revamped
 - e) Daycare Report – See Addendum #2
 - f) Home & School – No requests required
 - g) Community Rep – no rep present, position will be shelved until needed
- 9) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)
- a) **No Questions**
- 10) New Business
- a) Governing Board Internal Rules of Operation
Motion to approve by Daphne Amster; seconded by Suzanne Hermann; Carried
 - b) Schedule of Governing Board Meetings 2016-2017. Dates proposed: Oct 18, Nov 22, Dec 20, Feb 21*, Mar 21, April 25, May 23, June 20
- 11) Correspondence
- a) No correspondence
- 12) Varia & Field Trips
- a) **Ratified:** Terry Fox Run on September 29, 2016
 - b) **Ratified:** Ultimate Frisbee on September 20, 2016
 - c) **Ratified:** Grade 4 Field trip to Labonte Farm on September 22, 2016.
 - d) **Ratified:** Daycare Ped Day October 7 at Sportira Cage (Anjou)
 - e) **Motion:** Grades 4-5-6 Field trip to Studio de Danse Montreal for the Digital Citizenship Play "Delete".
Motioned by Beth Miller; Seconded by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Carried
 - f) **Motion:** Grade 4 Read-a-thon for Education Fundraiser and school-wide PJ day with a \$1.00 contribution.
Motioned by Ekaterina Kamardina; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried
 - g) **Motion:** Grade 6 Remembrance Day field trip to John Abbot College
Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Beth Miller; Carried

h) **Motion:** Kindergarten field trip to Labonte Farm for apple picking.
Motioned by Ekaterina Kamardina; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried

i) **Motion:** Grade 2 field trip to the EcoMuseum on October 28, 2016.
Motioned by Debbie King; Seconded by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Carried

13) Adjournment: Motioned by Daphne Amster at 20:16; Carried

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



Principal's Report to Governing Board September 20th, 2016 Meeting

- Thank you to returning members, and welcome to new members of Governing Board.
- School start up a bit bumpy with completion of plumbing project and search for a new secretary. New bathrooms are lovely, still a few deficiencies to correct, but we've moved into the 21st century in plumbing after being stuck in the 60's for a long time. New secretary is in place, Ms. Ulla, former integration aide and lunch supervisor at the school –knows the school from all angles! So happy to welcome her to this new challenge!
- This year's school wide theme is "Around the World".
- Meet the teacher night for K's (held before school opening) went well. Curriculum evening for all other parents also a success.
- Welcomed Ms. Lenora, Ms. Smith and Ms. Borelli back to Edgewater in grades 3, 2 and phys. ed respectively. Rest of the staff stable. 5 stagiaires from McGill will spend 12 days with us in November. We have a stagiaire from Dawson working with Ms. Debbie.
- Thank you to Mrs. Borelli for her hard work in organizing, training the students, and hosting the boardwide Ultimate Frisbee tournament today. ____ schools in attendance.
- Our team of specialists remains the same (psych. SLP, and OT)
- Interim report cards going out on Oct. 14th, along with Individualized Education Plans for students who require additional support. A description of the school's evaluation plan will be distributed to parents shortly.
- As a result of Major School Change, our numbers are down to 397 students registered in 2016 - 2017. (397 from 460+ - not feeling much difference operationally, except for a bit more breathing room space-wise).
- Effort being made to encourage parents to pay school fees through by tying fee payment to delivery of agendas and workbooks seems to have done the trick.
- Grade five and six parents should be checking the Board website for the list of Open Houses for the local high schools. Registration form for enrichment program entrance exams is available on our website. Reminder that LBPSB teachers are not permitted to tutor, assist, write reference letters or in any other way support applications for private schools.
- We continue to have the services of a librarian and our integration aide allocation just increased by 3 hours per day to 43hours. (equivalent to 8 and 3/4 full time aides)
- Fire drill and lockdown update. Letter will go out to parents tomorrow about the lockdown... First fire drill soon.
- Mrs. Rivard's summer reading contest went digital, only a few responses, so everyone who entered is a winner!
- Revamp to library... library commons...
- New UDL classroom. (flexible learning environments that can accommodate individual learning differences)
- Grad/concerts – special event scheduling

- AGA Parent Committee members Thurs Sept 29th 7:30pm Boardroom
- GB training October 20th – Invitations to be sent to Principals & GB Chairs

Reminders

- **Sept 23rd and October 7th Boardwide Ped Days**
- **Anti-violence and anti-bullying plan**

This plan needs to be reviewed every year and the updated document will be placed on our website with the date it was revised.

This item will be discussed at the GB training on October 20th

- **FSSTT lecture series**
- **Courage To Listen Workshop**
- **CBT clinic lecture series.**

Addendum #2 Daycare Report

Daycare Notes September 2016

Registration: Daycare and lunch registration went fairly smoothly this year.

Regular Daycare: 163 (down about 15); Sporadic: 19; Lunch only: 211

Lunch time: We have 20 home rooms with an educator in each class plus 7 additional staff working either one on one with a student and/or as a floater, plus the daycare tech is in the office.

Daycare: We have 8 educators working in the daycare plus 4 additional staff working with students who need additional support. There are 2 regular educators who are on leave. This year we have a daycare room which is located in Audrey's kindergarten from last year. A work request has been put into the school board to have the camera transferred into the daycare room. This will help the running of the daycare be even smoother.

International Friendship Ped Day: There are 87 students registered for our first in-house ped day this Friday, September 23, 2016. Four additional staff have been secured to support all our students with special needs who are attending. The following ped day on Friday, October 7, 2016 we are going to Sportia Cage in Anjou. Two school buses have been secured for the field trip. Adult/Student ratio of 1:10 will be secured for this outing. The fee is \$35 including supervision.

Hours Open on a Ped Day: Many schools within the school board have changed their daycare hours on a ped day to 7:30 to 17:30 from 7:00 to 18:00. Daycares are mandated to be open for 10 hours. The schools are looking at the costs of having the daycare open an additional 1 hour regarding staffing. Edgewater would like to move to the new times in the school year 2017-2018.

On-Line Payments: Families are very interested in paying their lunch and daycare fees on-line. Some have even tried to pay their school fees on-line. Many would like that service for school fees. Mrs. Rivard is looking into this at the board level. First invoicing went out last week. Response has been very positive. There are also 2 new banks added to where you can pay on-line so a new letter will be going on the web site to inform the parents.

Chartwells: Started today, a little difficult because we had Ultimate Frisbee. Hard to deliver hot lunches outside, but we managed. Only 70 lunches ordered.....it has decreased substantially from last year.

Payment Schedule: A daycare payment schedule will be made and posted on the school website in the next few days. The school board has asked all school to go with a daily lunch fee this year, after what happened with refunding parents for strike days when you have a daily rate. The cost is the same 180 days x \$2 = \$360. Parents have the option of paying \$36/month or the actual amount invoiced each month.

Addendum #3 FSSTT Report



*The Family and School Support and Treatment Team
in conjunction with the Centre of Excellence for Mental Health
present the*



2016–2017 LECTURE SERIES

The lectures take place from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Lester B. Pearson School Board, 1925 Brookdale Avenue, Dorval, QC H9P 2Y7. The fee for registration is \$25.00 per person for the series. **The registration deadline is Friday, September 30, 2016.** For more information, please contact Maria Polidakis (mpolidakis@lbpsb.qc.ca), or call 514-422-3000, extension 32590. Please note that the Lecture Series will also be webcast live at <http://www.lbpsb.qc.ca>.



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2016

Dr. Bruce Ferguson, Ph.D., C. Psych — Director of the Community Health Systems Resource Group at SickKids

CHILDREN AND WELL-BEING: WHAT CAN THEY LEARN FROM RELATIONSHIPS?

Dr. Ferguson will explore the ways in which relationships with multiple adults are critical for children to develop the building blocks necessary for mental health and well-being. Schools have always provided critical relationships for children but changes in family structure and community structure have made these relationships even more critical today in Canada. He will challenge us to re-evaluate our assumptions about the 'core business' of schools and community organizations.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016

Dr. Shuvo Gosh, M.D., FAAP — Head of the Gender Variance Program at the Montreal Children's Hospital; Co-Director, Meraki Health Centre; Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, McGill University.

TRANSGENDER YOUTH

Gender variance tends to present itself in early childhood as well as through school-age years. Dr. Gosh will dispel many myths about children who are gender non-conforming and explain what it means to be transgender (a part of the larger gender non-conforming group). He will also provide background and context for those within the school board who may encounter children with gender variance. Dr. Gosh may be accompanied by the parent of a gender variant child, who will present the viewpoint of a family member navigating the school system in this context.

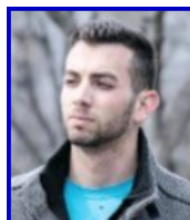


WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2017

Shalini Lal, BScOT, MSc, Ph.D. — Principal Scientist, University of Montreal Hospital Research Centre (CRCHUM); Associate Researcher, Douglas Mental Health University Institute

eMENTAL HEALTH: THE NEXT FRONTIER FOR YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH & MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY

eMental Health refers to the use of online technologies to deliver and/or enhance mental health information, services, and supports. This approach is increasingly recognized as a promising avenue to address some of the barriers that young people face in accessing mental health care. Dr. Lal will provide an introduction to the field of eMental Health, and review how technologies such as social media, smartphones, and apps, are being leveraged to promote youth mental health and enhance service delivery. Dr. Lal will facilitate a discussion on the implications of these developments for school-based mental health.



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

Ryan Golt, B.A. — Master's Student in the Department of Educational & Counselling Psychology at McGill University

STRONGER THAN STIGMA: DECONSTRUCTING THE STATE OF MENTAL HEALTH IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM

Mr. Golt will discuss his personal mental health struggles and triumphs to create a discussion on the strengths and weaknesses of mental health within the education system. Focusing on his first-hand experiences, along with empirical research, Mr. Golt will provide concrete strategies on how to enhance positive mental health with students. He will also present ideas on how to raise awareness and combat stigma surrounding mental health, by enlightening, engaging, and empowering the audience.

Please return this portion along with payment to Maria Polidakis, FSSTT, c/o Horizon High School, 90 Jubilee Square, Pointe-Claire, QC H9R 1M3. You may also register by e-mail at: mpolidakis@lbpsb.qc.ca.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$25/participant (a receipt will be provided) **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Friday, Sept. 30, 2016

Name: _____

Payment:

School: _____

☐ Personal cheque payable to Lester B. Pearson School Board

Title: _____

☐ DOFIN (LBPSB only) – Budget Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Thank you!