

Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

November 22, 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)	Christina Fazio Ekaterina Kamardina Trish Schofield Kris de Forest Derek Patino Kim Hamilton
		Commissioner: Wayne Clifford	
		Community: Christina Fazio (H&S)	Absences:
VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary			Guests:

- 1) Welcome at 19:03.
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
Motioned by Debbie King-Brassard, Seconded by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Carried
- 3) Adoption of the October 18, 2016 Minutes
Motion to approve by Daphne Amster, Seconded by Beth Miller; Carried
- 4) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
 - a) **Question:** After snow is cleared in the yard, do they put anything on it?
Answer: No. The Custodian will lay out some sand on the more icy patches.
- 5) Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) **Motion** to adopt the Anti-Bullying and Anti-Violence Plan, by Suzanne Hermann; seconded by Debbie King-Brassard; Carried
- 6) Reports
 - a) School Council – Teresa Borrelli
 - i) Verbal report given
 - b) Principal’s Report – See Addendum #1
 - i) **Motion** to approve the Service Contract for Debbie King and Mike Bayer, by Suzanne Hermann; seconded by Vanessa Nolet; Carried
 - ii) **Motion** to approve the November revised budget for the 2016-2017 school year, by Suzanne Hermann; seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried

- iii) This year's Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony will be held at 4pm.
 - c) Commissioner's Report – See Addendum #2
 - d) Regional Parent Committee Report
 - i) Nothing to report
 - e) Daycare Report – See Addendum #3
 - i) **Motion** on the Ped Day following the November Portfolio Evening, Daycare activities will be held offsite, by Daphne Amster; seconded by Suzanne Hermann; Carried
 - f) Home & School – No requests
- 7) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)
- a) **Question:** Will there be buses on December 23rd half-day
Answer: Buses will leave the school at 12:30pm
- 8) New Business
- a) Storage Container for Outdoor Equipment (Playground/Phys Ed)
Motion to approve purchase of an Outdoor Storage Container (20 feet long by 10 feet wide) on the grass between large playground and fence, out of the way of the snow removal (funded by Home & School)
Tabled until next meeting
 - b) Canadian Red Cross Babysitter Course for Grade 6
Motion to approve Babysitter Course by Pulse Aide April 24-27, 2017, after school from 3:20 - 5:55 pm to be held in Mme Corriveau's Classroom, for a minimum of 24 and a maximum of 30 students at a cost of \$55 per student.
Motioned by Daphne Amster; seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried
- 9) Correspondence
- a) No correspondence
- 10) Varia & Field Trips
- a) **Ratified:** Grades 4-5-6 Field trip for the Digital Citizenship Play "Delete" Nov. 28th and 29th)
 Cost is \$15.00 per student instead of \$13.00
 - b) **Ratified:** Dare 2 Care to provide Anti-Bullying Student and Parent Assemblies (Nov 30th) and Student Workshop (Dec 2nd); funded by Home & School (\$3,400)
 - c) **Ratified:** Grade 3 Field Trip to Droulers (Iroquois Village) in May. Cost of bus (\$829) funded by Home & School. 70 Students
 - d) **Ratified:** Fundraising activity selling raffle tickets for a book basket by Book Club to help defray costs of KidsLitQuiz Ottawa registration and trip January 26, 2017 (Home & School covering \$400 of bus costs)

- e) **Ratified:** Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Field Trip (Grades 3 & 4 Dec 6, Grades 5 & 6 Dec 9). Ratio of 1:6, Cost of \$8 per student (instead of \$13) due to subsidy from Culture in School Grant
- f) **Motion:** Grade 3 Field Trip to the CHLSD Centre to read & play games with Elderly on Dec 19 from 9:15am-11:15am, Ratio of 1:5, Cost of \$11.50 per student.
Motioned by Beth Miller; seconded by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Carried
- g) **Motion:** Grade 3 Field Trip to Notre Dame de Fatima for Winter Activities on Jan 19 from 9am-3pm. Ratio of 1:7, Cost of \$25 per student.
Motioned by Claudette Benoit; seconded by Debbie King-Brassard; Carried
- h) **Ratified:** Grade 4 (401 and 402) study of vocabulary abilities in both official languages and the way their knowledge can transfer from one language to the other in an immersion program. (Governing Board approved this study last year, but it took longer than expected to get the authorization from the University of Quebec in Montreal (UQAM). Testing includes educationally recognized assessments (EVIP, RAVEN, etc.)

11) Adjournment: Motioned by Suzanne Hermann at 20:12; Carried

Date Minutes Adopted	Chairperson	Principal
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Addendum #1 – Principal’s Report – November 2016



1. A big thank you goes out to staff for professional and thorough work done on report card and IEP preparation. Portfolio evening went very well. Thank you to Ms. Ulla for a well organized preparation and distribution of 400 report cards. Nov. 25th ped day (boardwide)
2. Parents were able to see the new “library commons” in action, visit the UDL classroom, and the new Snoezelen-inspired relaxation room during portfolio night. Feedback was very positive. Plans are in the works to create another 3 UDL classroom environments before the end of the school year, and with the help of H&S generosity, many of the improvements to the library
3. Thank you to Home and School for organizing a very, very successful Craft Fair. Three +1 homerooms won a pizza lunch from Mrs. Rivard for supporting the craft fair (Mme.Lajeunesse, Ms. Daphne and Mme. Prevost, and Mme Corriveau’s classes.) A large amount of non perishable foods was collected, we will still need to top up the baskets with more targeted donations before delivery. (ie personal hygiene products, cleaning products).
4. The afternoon celebration of Halloween was a resounding success.
5. Remembrance Day Assembly was held. Students were piped into the gym.
6. Annual report will be prepared in December/January , to be presented at February governing board meeting.
7. Budget
We have received the parameters. November revised budget ready for approval/adoption. New allocation of \$11,000 received. New parameters established for spending NTIC (technology monies).
8. School business:
 - a. Staffing update – 100 hours week additional integration aide time granted to Edgewater today.
 - b. Homework assistance program starting next week. Mike Bayer and Debbie King will coordinate it. **(Service contract approval required)**
 - c. Francisation program will be getting underway shortly.
 - d. Christmas baskets (food drive) – Committee will be giving information to classes re what kids should be bringing in.

9. Resolutions

Addendum #2 Commissioner's Report – November 2016

News from the October 24th meeting of the Council of Commissioners

The formal swearing-in of the 2016-2017 LBPSB student commissioners took place. Students elected by the Central Students Committee for this year are Emma Gauthier from Macdonald High School and Cierra Leitman from Lindsay Place High School. Cierra is returning for her second year.

The LBPSB Financial Statements for 2015-2016 as audited by external auditors Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton were approved showing revenues of \$284,181,365 and expenses of \$286,105,103 with an excess of expenditures over revenues of \$1,923,738. Details will be posted soon on the board website at <http://www.lbpsb.qc.ca/eng/financial/indexV2.asp>.

The Executive Committee reported that the Commission scolaire Marguerite-Bourgeoys has formally requested to have the Marcus Tabachnick International Language Centre in Dorval and the former Thorndale School in Pierrefonds transferred to their board as of July 1st, 2017. LBPSB would like to obtain funding for capital projects in return for the transfers. Quebec is reviewing these requests.

Snow removal contracts for the 2016-2017 school year, with an option of renewal for two additional years, were approved for the lowest compliant bidder in each sector, for a total of \$485,880.00 (before tax).

The Parents' Committee reported that, following its elections held on October 13th, Shane Ross is the new Chair. Parent Commissioners returning to Council are Sharad Bhargava (representing High School Parents) and Frank Clarke (Parents at-large). New Parent Commissioners will be Shane Doan (Elementary School Parents) and the Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC) representative on Council, Angela Berryman. The new Parent Commissioners will be sworn-in at the next Council meeting and will soon have an official vote on all resolutions assuming the expected passage of Bill 105.

The Student Ombudsman's 2015-2016 Annual Report was approved and Caroline Lemay was confirmed as the new Student Ombudsman of the Board, effective October 24, 2016 for a mandate of 3 years.

The next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, November 28th at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Clifford

Commissioner – Ward 12

Addendum #3 Daycare Report – November 2016

Ped Days: The 2 in-house ped days were well attended and a lot of fun for the students. In light of all the activities surrounding the November 18th ped day (Book Fair, Parent Teacher Interviews and the Craft Fair) we ask that governing board motion and approve that this ped day be ear marked as an outing ped day only.

Financial Status of the daycare and lunch program: Invoiced: \$120,026, Collected to date: \$110,589 Outstanding Fees: \$9,437. This is the best in a long time for our school; still pushing to collect more fees by months end. Ten families with outstanding lunch fees have been forwarded to the school board for the collections process to begin.

Pancake Breakfast: Was held last Wednesday and over 150 students shared breakfast in the foyer! All registered daycare students were allowed to participate even if it was not their day without an additional charge.

Christmas Carnival: The annual event will be held on Wednesday, December 14th in the gym. The senior daycare students are currently working on their booths that they will operate for the younger children. On this day we ask parents to try and not pick up before 5pm. Again for this activity all registered daycare students are welcome to participate at no additional cost.

Reminder – Daycare Closed: The school is closed next Friday, November 25, 2016. There will be no daycare services available on this date.

Last day of school before Christmas Holidays: The daycare will close on Friday, December 23rd at 4pm. Notices will go out to the families shortly as well as an ERMS closer to the date. Daycare services will resume on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7am.

Budget: The budget training at the school board for daycare is on Wednesday, November 22, 2016. The daycare budget should be ready to approve at our next governing board meeting.

Staffing: One of the daycare staff is on leave so a replacement educator has been hired. We are finding it difficult to find staff for our lunch program. Please refer any potential candidates to Beth.

Classroom Changes: In the next week we will be switching up some of the classrooms used in the daycare. I would like to extend a big thank you to all the staff for being so welcoming and accommodating in sharing the classrooms.