Edgewater Governing Board Minutes June 13, 2018



Governing Board:

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:	Regrets:
Kris de Forest (RR)	Daphne Amster	Shirley Kapitsky (Principal)	Kris de Forest
Ekaterina Kamardina	Debbie King-Brassard	Beth Miller (Daycare)	Ekaterina Kamardina
Derek Patino	Sandra Nouh		Christina Maurice Fazio
Mike Aragona (Chair)	Trish Schofield	Commissioner:	Daphne Amster
Vanessa Nolet	Natalie Rippen-Randle	Wayne Clifford	Trish Schofield
Cassandra Fusco (RA)	Teresa Borrelli	wayne chilora	
Christina Maurice Fazio (VC)			Absences:
		Community:	Vanessa Nolet
Alternates :		Claudia Carpanzano (H&S)	Nadia Silvestri
Sherry Lee Dawson, Nadia Silvestri, Nancy Mallette			Nancy Mallette
VC = Vice Chair			Guests:
RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative			
RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate			
Sec = Secretary			

- 1) Welcome & GB Annual Report at 19:15 See Addendum #1

 Motioned by Cassandra Fusco, Seconded by Teresa Borrelli; Carried
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to approve by Derek Patino, Seconded by Sherry Lee Dawson; Carried

3) Adoption of the May 08, 2018 Minutes

Motion to approve by Beth Miller, Seconded by Cassandra Fusco; Carried

- 4) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
 - a) n/a
- 5) Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) n/a
- 6) Reports
 - a) School Council Teresa Borrelli
 - i) Verbal report given.

- b) Principal's Report See Addendum #2
 - i) Directive from Ministry required changes to School Fees/ Supplies lists
 - Directive from Ministry modifies Field Trip requests so that Parents cannot be asked for funding

Motion: to approve June Proposed School Budget 2018-2019 **Motioned** by Sherry Lee Dawson; Seconded by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Carried

- c) Commissioner's Report See Addendum #3
- d) Regional Parent Committee Report See Addendum #4
- e) Daycare Report See Addendum #5

Motion: to approve increase of sporadic rates to \$13 from \$11.20 as per SB **Motioned** by Derek Patino; Seconded by Sherry Lee Dawson; Carried

Motion: to approve annual daycare and lunch program budget for the 2018-2019 school year **Motioned** by Derek Patino; Seconded by Cassandra Fusco; Carried

f) Home & School - Claudia Carpanzano

Pizza

- i) There will be 10 pizza days, 1x per month on a Wednesday (Sept 12, Oct 10, Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 23, Feb 20, Mar 27, Apr 24, May 22, June 5).
- ii) We will use Pizza Pizza in Ile Perrot. Price will remain the same \$2.25 a slice for members and \$2.75 a slice for non-members. TCBY will remain the same as well \$2.00 for members and \$2.50 non members.

We would like to replace Subway with **Dagwoods**

iii) There will be 10 Dagwoods days, 1x per month on a Monday (Sept 24, Oct 22, Nov 19, Dec 17, Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 11, Apr 8, May 6, June 10). Meal will consist of 6inch sandwich, juice and fruit sensation gummy snack. Price will increase from \$5.25 to \$5.50 for members and \$5.75 to \$6.00 non members.

Fundraising:

- iv) Spirit Wear throughout the year
- v) Fundscrip throughout the year
- vi) Mabels Lables throughout the year but would like to send home with school supplies list at the end of the year this year
- vii) Cookie dough campaign to go home in October. Macmillan's cookie dough and muffins (same company as last year)
- viii) Principal for a 1/2 day- May or June 2019

Events:

- ix) Dance October 26, 2018
- x) Craft Fair November 24, 2018
- xi) Born to read/literacy January 27, 2019

- xii) TSAW Feb 11-15, 2019
- xiii) Pink Shirt Day February 28, 2019
- xiv) ShopFest May 4, 2019
- xv) Movie night April-June 2019 (date to be confirmed after this movie night
- xvi) Open House pizza party (Date is decided by school) May 16, 2019

Motion: For all Home & School Requests **Motioned** by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Seconded by Cassandra Fusco; Carried

- 7) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)
 - a) n/a
- 8) New Business
 - a) School Fees:

Motion to approve lists of fees/supplies for the 2018-2019 school year **Motioned** by Beth Miller; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried

- b) 2018-2019 Governing Board
 <u>2nd Year:</u> Mike Aragona, Vanessa Nolet, Cassandra Fusco, Christina Maurice Fazio
 <u>Open Positions:</u> Kris de Forest (graduating), Ekaterina Kamardina (interested for quorum),
 Derek Patino (interested)
- 9) Correspondence
 - a) n/a
- 10) Varia & Field Trips
 - a) Ratified: Grade 1 Parc Olympic on June 22 from 9:30am-11:30am. 1/11 ratio
 - b) Ratified: Grades 1-2 Parc Olympic on June 15 from 1pm-2:50pm. 1/8 ratio

11) Adjournment: Motioned by Natalie Rippen-Randle at 20:25

Date Minutes Adopted Chairperson Principal

Addendum #1 Governing Board Annual Report



2017-2018

Edgewater Elementary School, 220 Cardinal Leger. Pincourt QC

Chairperson's Message

Edgewater started the 2017-2018 School Year by welcoming its new Principal, Shirley Kapitsky. She had a lot to learn about our rich history so while we enjoyed our summer vacations, she did a lot of studying! ©

Our school theme for this year was "Colours of the Rainbow" and much was done with it, not the least being an amazing art montage sponsored by the city of Pincourt where our students worked with artist Madeleine Turgeon and Myriam Gaudry to help cover the graffiti on the fences of the houses facing the school. We even tied our theme into a Colour Me Run in the school yard at the end of the year!

The city project wasn't the only time we worked with an outside artist this year for something outside of the school. Our Grade 5 students also worked with Ian Fournier to compose a song that was performed at the Omni Center.

Our numbers remained steady at 392 students registered in 2017-2018, which was only five less than last year. We continued to expand our flexible learning environments by adding a new UDL classroom. Students also built a Nova mobile sensory station (ie; travelling Snoezelen Room) that can be moved into classrooms and set up by them! Those students also won an award for that initiative! This year, because of the benefits to children that have been greatly touted by other schools, we introduced Shirley's dog Mindy to the student (and staff) population! The response has been overwhelmingly positive.

A huge thank-you goes out to our very-engaged Home & School and dedicated staff (once again). Because of them, the students had tremendous opportunities for enhancing their curriculum through the arts, music, challenges, projects, and field trips.

In terms of helping our community, Edgewater continued its long tradition of helping others by participating in fundraisers such as the Super Recyclers, bringing cans of food to our Craft Fair, Jersey for a Loonie Day in support of the Humboldt hockey team fundraiser, Loonie Day Fundraiser for the West Island Palliative Care Center, collecting white tube socks for the

homeless through the non-profit organization Toe2Toe, to name just a few. This year, 10 Playground Pals even went to cook with Chef James Mitchell for our Christmas baskets!

Finally, for the first time ever, Edgewater hosted a Hema-Quebec blood drive, organized and run by our Grade 5 students, and beat everyone's expectations by bringing in over 180 donors - more than double the initial goal!

2018-2019 Governing Board Members

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:
Kris de Forest (RR)	Daphne Amster	Shirley Kapitsky (Principal)
Ekaterina Kamardina	Debbie King-Brassard	Beth Miller (Daycare)
Derek Patino	Sandra Nouh	
Mike Aragona (Chair)	Trish Schofield	Commissioner:
Vanessa Nolet	Natalie Rippen-Randle	Wayne Clifford
Cassandra Fusco (RA)	Teresa Borrelli	wayne ciliford
Christina Maurice Fazio (VC)		
		Community:
Alternates :		Claudia Carpanzano (H&S)
Sherry Lee Dawson, Nadia Silvestri, Nancy Mallette		Ciadala Carpanzano (1183)

Meeting Dates

Meetings were held in the Edgewater Staff Room at 7:00pm on the following dates:

September 20, 2017 October 17, 2017 November 21, 2017 January 24, 2018

February 20, 2018 March 20, 2018 May 08, 2018 June 13, 2018

The Agendas and approved Minutes of these meetings can be found on the school web site.

Actions and Events

Physical Education was in full swing again this year with a board wide Ultimate Frisbee tournament, Cross Country run for Grades 4, 5, and 6, Grade 3 students cross-country event with the city of Pincourt, Grade 6 Basketball Tournament, and many, many more.

Field Trips included a visit to Electrium in Ste. Julie and the Hydro Generating Station in Beauharnois, trips to Notre-Dame-de-Fatima including a Grade 6 overnight trip, the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Junior Leadership Day, and so much more.

The Sciences were explored as we hosted ASTER and their inflatable Planetarium, a visit from someone in the David Suzuki Foundation to discuss underwater pollution, Neurones Atomiques on Simple Machines, Learn Quebec engaged students in STEAM activities, Grade 2 ordered a Nutritower hydroponic system because of the support from Home and School, Brian Ewenson from Nasa came back to speak to all the students about what it is like to be an astronaut, a field trip to Science Museum in the Old Port, etc.

Annual activities included events like the Terry Fox run, Remembrance Day activities, Great Kindness Challenge, and Anti-Bullying Week. For the Anti-Bullying/ Kindness week, Home & School brought back Singer/Songwriter Gerry Mitchell for two shows. Yearly activities also included Pink Shirt day anti-bullying awareness assembly, and the LBPSB-approved Anti-Homophobia program. This year's event included a lot more involvement by students and staff than ever before as classes from each grade level participated! Kick into Gear and Help Somebody Near: Wear different colored socks or shoes, Crazy for Kindness: Wear crazy hats or hair styles, and Score Points by Helping Others: wear sports/dance/scouting/guiding attire are three examples of events held during that week.

For the second time in a row, the Edgewater Book Club participated in the KidsLit Quiz Ottawa Heat and did very well with one of the three teams coming in fourth out of 20 teams!

Even with all the items and events listed in this report, there are still so many others that can be mentioned (like the Grade 5 in-class visit from "Du chemin du Roi au chemin de fer" Historical animation group, Archeophone speaking to Grades 4 on Nouvelle France, Jeunesse Musicales Canada's visit to Edgewater for a Christmas concert (Un Monde Pour Noel), Deputy Minister Peter Schiefke answering questions from some of our grade 5 classes on the Canadian Government and his job, Nid'Otruche Field trip for Cycle 1, 4 Grade four students attending the Green Summit (which Edgewater will host next year), the Vocational Olympics at Place Bonaventure, etc.).

Our Facebook page has been top notch this year for keeping parents informed of day-to-day activities. Deeper information on all events can always be found in the Governing Board minutes. You can read these on our website, or, better yet, show up in person to a meeting. You'll be very glad you did.

Adopted by the Edgewater Governing Board

Wed. June 13, 2018		
Date	Chairperson	Principal



Addendum #2 - Principal's Report



Principal's Report to Governing Board June 13, 2018 Meeting

Thank you to everyone on the Governing Board for all your support this year. Edgewater is a fantastic school because of all of the parents that are truly invested in their children and making sure the educational journey for all the students is a positive experience. I am truly blessed and thankful.

What has happened since our last meeting

- Mme. Marie-Eve's class to the Omni Center to eat lunch with the Mayor
- Congratulations to Ms. Daphne's class on getting 181 blood donors at Edgewaters first blood drive
- Thank you to Home and School for organizing the family pizza supper on open house and by supporting the purchase of a cedar planter box in the front of the school.
- We met all our new Edgewater students at the kindergarten orientation.
- Canada Learning coding came and worked with seven of our classes
- Grade 1 and 2 planted flowers in the front of the school
- We collected 393 socks for Toe2Toe and presented the socks to Julie Montpetit from Qpat. We also collected \$610 for the West Island Palliative care Residence and presented the cheque to Mr. Desbien and Abby the therapy dog from the Residence
- The rainbow run was a great success and the students all had fun and motivated to run the whole time.
- Edgewater did very well at the senior track and field and came back with many ribbons
- We also said thank you to our volunteers with a volunteer tea after school.
- Kindergarten, grade 1 and the ½ combined all went on a field trip to Intermeil
- Jump rope for heart was today, a big thank you to Ms. Borrelli and Ms. Tina for all their hard work.

Upcoming Events

June 14th- PM 121, 201, 202, 401 & 402 to Pincourt Pool

June 15th- Gr. 6 to waterslides

June 15th- Movie night outside run by Home and School

June 18th- Power Hour in AM

June 18th- PM K, Gr. 3 & 6 to Pincourt Pool

June 19th- PM 101, 102, 451, 501 & 502 to Pincourt pool

June 19th - grade 6 bowling

June 20th- Tombola

June 21st- School awards- after recess

June 21st- Graduation ceremony- 4:30 to 5:30 with the party to follow until 8:30

June 22nd-Shortened day - school ends at 1 2:25 PM (no lunch)

Key points from Tell them from me survey that the grade 4, 5 and 6 students complete twice a year once in November and again in April.

- Positive school behavior -above the Canadian norm
- Effective learning time -above Canadian norm
- Bullying same as Canadian norm
- Feeling safe- above the norm
- Relevance of subject material- above the norm
- Participation in school sports- above the norm
- Positive relationship-above the norm
- Positive behavior, motivation, effort and rigor-above the norm
- Feeling that there is someone to talk to and positive teacher relationships -above the norm
- Students feel school staff has high expectation above the norm
- School clubs- below
- Sense of belonging-below
- Valuing school outcomes -below
- Anxiety- our student have more anxiety than the Canadian norm

Proposed June Budget and school fees presented and a motion to accept was put forward

Addendum #2 - June 13, 2018 GB Commissioner's Report

School Fees

At a Special Meeting of Council held on May 15th, Council adopted a resolution approving a confidential agreement entitled "Principaux éléments d'une entente de règlement relative aux frais chargés par les commissions scolaires défenderesses" further to the provincewide *class action procedure concerning school fees*. It is anticipated that the details of any settlement will be released early in the 2018-2019 school year.

Moreover, the Ministry committed to issue in early June a Directive to all School Boards identifying what school fees can be charged to, or what school supplies can be requested from, parents for the 2018-2019 school year. As a result, the Director General requested the Governing Boards of all schools to schedule a *meeting between June 13 and June 22* in order to 1) approve lists of fees/supplies for the 2018-2019 school year or 2) review and approve revised lists of fees/supplies for the 2018-2019 school year to comply with the Directive.

New Director of Educational Services

Council was informed in early May that following an outstanding 20 year career with the LBPSB, *Director Of Educational Services Steven Colpitts* had accepted a new position as Sousministre adjoint for the Direction des services aux anglophones, aux Autochtones et à la diversité culturelle at the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES), effective May 28, 2018. Following an internal posting/selection procedure, Council was pleased to adopt a resolution at the May Council meeting appointing the current Assistant Director of Educational Services *Marie Wahba* as Director of Educational Services of the Lester B. Pearson School Board, effective immediately. Currently a posting process is underway to fill her previous position hopefully before the end of the school year.

New Legislation

The Minister of Education, Sébastien Proulx, recently introduced two new bills in the National Assembly: Bill 185 is an act to *defer the next school board elections from November* 2018 to November 2020 and to allow the Government to provide for the use of a remote voting method (eg. the Internet) – this bill became law on June 6th with its passage by the National Assembly. Bill 183 is an act to strengthen the role of the *Student Ombudsman* to improve the handling of complaints filed by a student or his/her parents with regard to the services a school board provides to them and will need to be adopted prior to the end of the current session of the National Assembly this month or will not become law due to the Quebec provincial elections in October.

Highlights of the May 28th Meeting of the Council of Commissioners

Sheila Dunwoodie, a teacher at Margaret Manson Elementary, was warmly congratulated by Council on the occasion of her being awarded the **Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence in STEM**.

As new amendments to the Education Act now require the School Board to convert its Strategic Plan into a Commitment-to-Success Plan (C-to-S Plan) by June 1, 2018, after a short consultation Council adopted the Lester B. Pearson School Board *Commitment-to-Success Plan* 2018-2022. The good news is that minimal change was required to convert our current Strategic Plan to the C-to-S Plan and that it should not be overly time-consuming for schools to modify their School Success Plans to bring them into compliance with the C-to-S framework.

Following consultation with the Parents' Committee and the Pearson Teachers Union, the **2019-2020 Youth Sector Calendar** was adopted.

Chair Noel Burke announced that a *survey on High School Programs* would be circulated in June to parents, teachers and students with a view to improving the effectiveness of future planning.

Much more info on what's happening all around the board can always be found on the Pearson News blog http://pearsonnews.lbpsb.qc.ca/ and on the LBPSB Facebook page.

The next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, June 26th at 7:30 pm.

Best wishes to everyone for a healthy and relaxing summer!

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Clifford
Commissioner – Ward 12

Addendum #3 Parents Committee Report – June 7, 2018

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

ATTENDEES: Representatives of 23 of 48 member schools and SNAC were in attendance. Thomas Rhymes, representing the administration, was also in attendance as a special guest. Please see attached attendance record for further details.

UPDATES:
□ LBPSB Commitment-to-Success Plan 2018-2022 Consultation: the PC response, approved via e-Vote (Basecamp platform), was ratified; a copy is attached. □ Student Success ad hoc subcommittee: the Enhanced Programs recommendations to be submitted to Council, approved via e-Vote (Basecamp platform), was ratified; a copy is attached.
□ Student Success ad hoc subcommittee : the Enhanced and Extended Learning Project Recommendation to be submitted to Council, approved via e-Vote (Basecamp platform), was ratified; a copy is attached.
NEW TOPICS: ☐ Connie Held Award: a brief overview was given of the award to be given at the 2018-2019 AGA; more details will be given in an email as well as a request for nominations ☐ Parent Structures Ad hoc Subcommittee: a brief overview was given of the subcommittee that will look at this year's structure and make recommendations to the PC for the 2018-2019 structure; preliminary dates for the first meeting were polled. The meeting will be held on June 20. All PC members (Parent Reps and Alternates) are invited to attend.
VARIA: ☐ 922 LBPSB and 90 outside students wrote the Enrichment exam for high school; results should be received mid-June. ☐ For the 6th year, the annual Family Fun Run took place at Centennial Park on May 6, 2018 with over 400 participants; the event raised over \$1200 to support the LIFE program at Lindsay Place. ☐ Sheila Dunwoodie, teacher at Margaret Manson Elementary was recently awarded the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence in STEM. ☐ Our vocational students from VACC, PACC and PEC competed at this year's Vocational Olympics which were held at Place Bonaventure on May 3-4, 2018; 1400 elementary students had the opportunity to witness this competition where PACC won a Bronze medal
n Pastry! ☐ Verdun Elementary students presented their video game at the Youth Fusion Festival held at the Olympic Stadium on May 4th and 5th. ☐ At the IMPACT game of May 5, 2018, two LBPSB students were awarded the Tony Licurs bursary in the amount of \$500: congratulations to Jessica De Filippo from John Rennie High School and Liam Mansfield from Beaconsfield High School; there was a good crowd of LBPSB families in attendance, and all ticket sales went to support the Pearson Education Foundation.

□ On May 23, 2018, the Management Team of the LBPSB participated in the KAIROS
Blanket Exercise, an activity designed to explore the relationship between Indigenous and
non-Indigenous peoples in Canada; the objective was to sensitize the Management Team to
our historical reality in relation to indigenous people (truth) and to encourage them to take
small steps in their school to acknowledge that reality (reconciliation); the LBPSB Truth
and Reconciliation Committee organized this event with First Nation facilitators.
☐ Marie Wahba, Assistant Director of Educational Services since 2013 and former principal
of Sunshine Academy and vice-principal of Springdale Elementary, has been appointed the
LBPSB Director of Educational Services; her involvement in the board's Deep Learning
Initiative and her commitment to the implementation of the CEFL/DELF Certification are
significant contributions to both ESD and the LBPSB as a whole.
$\ \square$ Kurt Binnie, the former Director of Information Technology and Education Commons at
the University of Toronto, has been hired as the LBPSB Director of Technology and
Innovation; his drive and his innovative spirit are welcome additions to the LBPSB
community.

SPECIAL ATTENTION: Please note that the next official meeting will be the Parents' Committee's Annual General Assembly (AGA). We request the attendance of all newly elected Parent Representatives and Alternates.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: September 27, 2018

Addendum #5 Daycare Report – June 2018 Daycare Notes – June 2018

Daycare Handbook: There have been a few minor changes to the daycare handbook which will be available on-line after this evening. (e.g. A maximum of 1 change per month and 3 changes per year will be accepted to the daycare/lunch schedule, operating opening time of the PM DC is 3:20pm, and by signing the registration form you are agreeing to the terms in the daycare/lunch handbook.)

Budget 2018-2019: Proposed June budget. Request GB approval. Motion to increase sporadic rates.

Preregistration Daycare/Lunch: 208 regular daycare students + 9 sporadic and 180 lunch students have registered so far for next year. This is a significant increase from this year looking at additional staffing and groups. Handicapped Attendant pilot project will continue for an additional year!

Ped Days: Parc Omega was spectacular. The daycare purchased 200lbs of carrots for the students to feed the wapiti. The picnic at Parc Olympique was a great last ped day. Both were attended very well.

Outstanding Fees: All fees for lunch and daycare are due by June 15, 2018. I will be calling all families with outstanding fees starting on June 18, 2018; in the hopes of collecting some of the funds owed. Parents are allowed to continue to make small on-line payments over the summer.

Last Day of School: The daycare closes at 4:00pm. The daycare families have been notified by hard copy and ERMS.

Improvements: The daycare was able to replace some of the walkie talkies, purchase batteries and head pieces for the walkie talkies, we also were able to share in the purchasing of the television for the front hall and the projector screen for the gym, blinds were also purchased for some of the classrooms and the bubble room and the daycare storage cupboard is getting updated over the summer.

Training: There will be a recertification of first aid for a number of the daycare and lunch staff in the first few weeks of school. For the second year in a row there will be a half day conference for all daycare and lunch staff. It will be held on Monday, August 27th

Thank you: Heartfelt thank you from the daycare and the daycare/lunch staff for all the continuous support given by Governing Board, Home and School, the teachers, the support staff and Ulla and Mrs. Kapitsky.