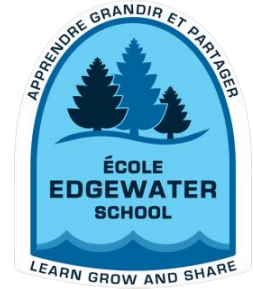


# Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

## January 22, 2019



### Governing Board:

<b>Parents:</b>	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>Administration:</b>	<b>Regrets:</b>
Cassandra Fusco (RA) Christina Maurice Fazio (VC) Derek Patino Laura Humphreys Mike Aragona (Chair) Melissa Nolet (RR) Vanessa Nolet	Daphne Amster Debbie King-Brassard Sandra Nouh Trish Schofield Natalie Rippen-Randle Teresa Borrelli	Shirley Kapitsky (Principal) Beth Miller (Daycare)	Ekaterina Kamardina Kevin Scott Claudia Carpanzano Cassandra Fusco Melissa Nolet Vanessa Nolet Trish Schofield
<b>Alternates :</b> Sherry Lee Dawson, Ekaterina Kamardina, Krista Brotzel, Mark Armstrong, Kevin Scott		<b>Commissioner:</b> Wayne Clifford	<b>Absences:</b>
VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary		<b>Community:</b> Claudia Carpanzano (H&S)	<b>Guests:</b>

- 1) Welcome at 19:00
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda  
**Motioned** by Derek Patino; Seconded by Christina Maurice Fazio; Carried
- 3) Adoption of the December 11, 2018 Minutes  
**Motioned** by Debbie King-Brassard; Seconded by Laura Humphreys; Carried
- 4) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
  - a) **Question:** Do we have carbon monoxide detectors in our school? Does our Emergency Preparation plan include a carbon monoxide component?  
**Answer:** Yes we do and it is tested and functional
- 5) Business Arising from the Minutes
  - a) Review School Success Plan/ Education Project - only due in June. Postponed to next year
- 6) Reports
  - a) School Council – Teresa Borrelli
    - i) Verbal report given
  - b) Principal's Report – See Addendum #1

- c) Commissioner's Report – See Addendum #2
  - d) Regional Parent Committee Report - No Report received
  - e) Daycare Report – See Addendum #4
  - f) Home & School
    - i) No requests
- 7) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)
- a) n/a
- 8) New Business
- a) LBPSB - Consultation on the 2019-2020 Budget - due March 29, 2019
  - b) LBPSB - Consultation on Principal Criteria - due February 25, 2019  
**Motioned** by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried
- 9) Correspondence
- a) The new Minister of Education, Jean-Francois Roberge, wishes to consult parents, and the wider community, on their opinion regarding the issue of school fees.  
[https://formulaires.education.gouv.qc.ca/dev\\_ti/consultation\\_frais\\_scolaires/en](https://formulaires.education.gouv.qc.ca/dev_ti/consultation_frais_scolaires/en)
- 10) Varia & Field Trips
- a) **Motion Cycle One Field Trips**
    - i) Musee des enfants March 1st. K's, gr. 1 & 1/2. Cost up to 27\$. 18 adults, 115 students. 1/6 ratio
    - ii) Sliding at Olympic Park Jan 30th or Feb 6th (depending on weather). Gr 1 & 1/2. 9 adults, 61 students. 1/7 ratio  
**Motioned** by Christina Maurice Fazio; Seconded by Nathalie Rippen-Randle; Carried
  - b) **Grade 2 Field Trips:**
    - i) Feb 14th Fatima 27.40\$ covered by school.
    - ii) March 11th Nous les arts 10\$ in school (Nunavut).
    - iii) April 11th Nous les arts 12\$ in school (Earth day: trees).
    - iv) May 30th Neurones Atomiques (Conducteurs & isolants) 8.05\$ covered by school.  
**Motioned** by Christina Maurice Fazio; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried
  - c) **Motion:** Mme Sophie wants permission to bring a few students (throughout the year) to a restaurant for lunch within walking distance as part of a new points reward system to get her Grade 4 students to speak more French in class. Approved with Communication to Daycare.  
**Motioned** by Beth Miller; Seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried
  - d) **Motion:** Backwards Shirt Day on March 1st to raise money to sponsor the Ecomuseum animals  
**Motioned** by Sandra Nouh; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried

11) Adjournment: Motioned by Christina Maurice Fazio at 19:45

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Date Minutes Adopted	Chairperson	Principal



## Addendum #1 – Principal's Report



Principal's Report to Governing Board January 22, 2019 Meeting



Happy New to everyone, I wish you health and happiness in 2019!

- The six first year student teachers loved being here at Edgewater and even came back to participate in our PJ day.
- Thank you to Mm. Corriveau, Ms. Randle, Ms. Daphne and Mm. Pascale for organising our first Technologie Fair. The student presenters did a fantastic job.
- La Jeunesse Musicales performance-L'expédition de la Rythmobile was very engaging and all the students seemed to enjoy the show
- Thank you to Ms. Debbie, Ms. Beth and Ms. Tina for the wonderful Christmas lunch that prepared for the Playground pals
- Thank you to Ms. Kim for the Carolling performance by daycare Caroling Club
- Thank you to Ms. Tina for taking select Gr. 5 and 6 students to John Abbott to play volleyball
- Christmas cards for the Canadian military sent by Mm. Lyne's class landed in Irac and in the hands of a Pincourt Resident....what are the odds... We are now trying to set up a visit with this man when he returns in June.
- Pilo Polo started for grade 1 & 2
- Omnikin was a big success and Indigo was the winning team
- Kindergarten open house went very well. Parents had a lot of positive feedback. It is so easy to talk about this amazing school. We have 49 registrations already!
- Ms. Daphne applied and received \$1,000 from Metro for nutrition and she will be using it to support her class initiatives to reduce waste in our school.

### Upcoming Events

**January 23rd** - Book club goes to the school board to compete in Kids-Lit - first time in Quebec, thanks to Ms. Lamothe

**January 27th** - Born to Read 2:00 to 4:00

**January 28th to February 1st** - registration for new students

**February 8** - PED day

**February 11** - K to Gr. 5 re-registration on Fusion (deadline February 15)

**February 11 to the 15th** - teacher appreciation

**February 15** - Term 2 end

**February 22** - Marks Due

**February 26th** - Steven Atme, the autistic performer and anti-bullying motivational speaker for 2 shows, Gr. 4-6 from 1-2 pm & K-3 from 2-3 pm

**February 27th** - Pink shirt day- I would like class participation for the assembly- last year was so fantastic and I am hoping we can do the same this year.

**February 28th**- #cutthebull presentation from the Shriners- Gr. 4-6 from 9:35 - 10:30 & K-3 from 10:55- 11:45

May 17th the daycare will be closed so all employees can join in the 20th year celebration of the LBPSB.

## **Addendum #2**

### **Commissioner's Report to the Governing Board Dec 2018**

#### **News from the December 17th Meeting of the Council of Commissioners**

The Chair and the Director General, in their monthly reports to Council expressed gratitude for the hard work of all staff, students and administrators and best wishes for a restful and enjoyable holiday.

An administrative staffing change resolution was passed naming Jonathan Ste-Marie as a Coordinator of the Human Resources Department, probationary status effective January 21, 2019 in anticipation of an imminent retirement in that department.

Correspondence: a letter dated December 4, 2018, from Diane Lamarche-Venne, Chair of the Commission Scolaire Marguerite-Bourgeoys regarding the overcrowding of CSMB schools and asking our Board to explore possible avenues for pupil placement within LBPSB, and another letter dated December 12, 2018, from Jean-François Roberge, Minister of Education and Higher Education regarding the implementation of compulsory Sexuality Education for elementary and secondary students were acknowledged.

Board committees which had met since November gave their reports.

Resolutions: Because the School Board must consult with Governing Boards and the Parents' Committee and take into account the recommendations of the Resource Allocation Committee (the ARC) to establish objectives and principles governing the allocation of subsidies, school tax proceeds and other revenues a resolution was adopted to launch the consultation on the document entitled Budget Consultation 2019-2020 be distributed to the consultative partners of the Lester B. Pearson School Board during the week of January 7, 2019, in order for the community to provide input on the allocation of subsidies, school tax proceeds and other revenues of the School Board, with responses to be returned to the Secretary General no later than March 29, 2019.

As Commissioners' Local Travel, Conference and Other Expenses Policy had been reviewed, the amended policy was approved.

The next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. and, as with all Council meetings, are webcast live and archived on the board website.

Minutes of the prior council meeting also will be published on the board website following approval at the subsequent council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

***Wayne Clifford***

Commissioner – Ward 12

## Addendum #3 Parent's Committee Report

### MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

**ATTENDEES:** Representatives of 28 of 48 member schools, and Commissioner Representing the Parents' Committee (designated by SNAC), Angela Berryman, were in attendance. Thomas Rhymes, representing the administration, Noel Burke, representing the Council of Commissioners, Commissioner Nan Beaton, and a member of the public were also in attendance. Please see attached attendance record for further details.

#### UPDATES:

☐ **Internal Rules ad hoc subcommittee:** the final draft of the PC Internal Rules will be posted on Basecamp by March 1, 2019 and subsequently presented for approval at the March 14, 2019 meeting.

☐ **CAQ Ban on Religious Symbols:** further to the letter sent to M. Legault by the PC in November of 2018, the PC passed a resolution that the English Parents' Committee Association (EPCA) be directed to act/lobby on our behalf, reflecting and reporting our opposition to the proposed ban on religious symbols and all associated legislation to the appropriate and responsible parties (copy of the resolution and associated documents is attached).

#### NEW TOPICS:

☐ **Appropriation of the Riverdale building, Riverdale/PCHS merger:**

☐ Chairman Noel Burke explained the timeline of what/when the board knew; despite the board's attempt to cooperate with CMSB in finding a solution to LBPSB's under-enrolment [at Riverdale] and the overflow at CSMB, the government transferred Riverdale's building to the CSMB, effective July 1, 2019.

☐ The announcement was handled very poorly by the Ministry-the minister gave a press conference the Sunday before the announcement

☐ Riverdale and PCHS admin, with support from the board, are working together to ensure the merger goes as smoothly as possible for the affected students and families; there is an online petition to reverse the decision but it is unlikely to work due to the circumstances;

☐ There's concern that this decision sets a dangerous precedent; discussion will be expanded on Basecamp, the Parents' Committee's online discussion platform, regarding how to better promote our schools and how we can work to expand eligibility.

☐ **2019-2020 Budget Consultation:** an ad hoc subcommittee was struck to discuss and formulate the PC's response.

☐ **Seat belts on school buses:** due to a claim that studies showing seat belts to be unnecessary on school buses used inaccurate data, a discussion has been reignited regarding the effectiveness/necessity vs the cost; PC members voiced differing opinions and expressed primarily that more analysis on the topic was needed. Basecamp discussions to follow.

**VARIA:**

- ☐ The meeting continues to open with the acknowledgement of this being Mohawk land.
- ☐ Condolences were expressed for Commissioner Representing the Parents' Committee Sharad Bhargava regarding a recent death in his family.
- ☐ The meeting structure was modified so that a smaller report section was held early in the meeting and the second portion of the meeting itself was dominated by discussions.
- ☐ A new Communications Officer was elected (due to resignation). Jason Doan, was elected.
- ☐ All schools requiring carbon monoxide detectors have been fitted with carbon monoxide detectors; the board is waiting for further directives/standards to be set by the Ministry to standardize them (in necessary).
- ☐ There is discussion at the board level regarding the timing/placement of Kindergarten orientation.
- ☐ A special needs committee named SEPAC is being revived; it will be comprised of two parents of students with special needs elected from each PC and will meet four times per year with the first meeting to be held in March.
- ☐ The board ERMS emails are no longer accompanied by phone calls due to an issue with the system.
- ☐ The tentative date for SNAC's spring parent information evening is April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- ☐ The board has reached an agreement with the EMSB for a computer graphics program.
- ☐ A slight revision was made to the previously approved school calendar to reflect a change of date for the Teacher's Convention from November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- ☐ The next SNAC meeting is February 20<sup>th</sup>.
- ☐ The next Council of Commissioners meeting is February 25<sup>th</sup>.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## **Addendum #4 Daycare Report – January 2019**

**January 21<sup>st</sup> Ped Day:** 15 daycare staff participated in a mini workshop led by our ASD specialist followed by a chili luncheon for all 60+ staff in the gym. A school wide workshop was held in the library led by Linda Aber. It was a fabulous, with all the staff coming away with fresh ideas and tools. Thank you to the Governing Board for approving a school wide Ped day with the daycare closed. It really promoted team building and pedagogy. We would like this to become an annual thing.

**February 8<sup>th</sup> Ped Day:** We are heading to Parc Olympique sledding and in the afternoon are hosting a pajama party.

**Daycare Rates:** there was an increase of \$.15 cents per day effective January 1, 2018. Invoices were delayed a week going out because of the changes, rate increase posted on website and at the daycare door. The daycare monthly payment schedule document has also been updated on the website. Lunch fees were not affected.

**Emergency:** On Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> we opted to keep the daycare students outside at 7am as a result of an alarm going off in the school. The fire department was called and thankfully it was a defective device. Staff and students handled the situation very well and were back in the school by 7:25am. Parents were very cooperative and supportive.

**Open House:** went very well from a daycare perspective. Parents were very positive.

**Staff Updates:** We have 2 Daycare Educators on indefinite leaves. Both posts have been replaced with educators enrolled in the AEP program at the board.

**Clubs:** effective January 23<sup>th</sup> clubs will be restarting every morning in the daycare at 8am and 3 days/week during the second half of lunch. Yoga, art, chess, cooperative games, cooking, active games and backgammon will be offered on 5 week sessions. There will be no charge for these programs. Daycare parents will be advised at the sign in area those days their children need to be at the daycare by 8am.

**Shortage of lunch supervisors:** appealing to our community.....very hard to find qualified people to commit to one hour a day.....proposal to pursue the possibility to adjust St. Patrick and Edgewater Schools' lunch hours so that employers can work at both schools every day. The other proposal is to have half the students eat first half of the hour and the second half the second 30 minutes.

**Valentines for Vets:** Each daycare student will be asked to make a postcard size valentine for a Veteran. They will be sent to Veteran Affairs who will ensure they are distributed to the different Canadian men and women.

**Taxes:** It is the season next month!