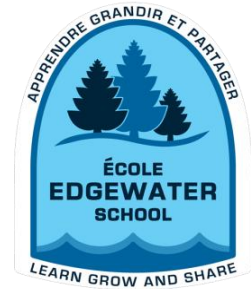


Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

February 19, 2019



Governing Board:

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:	Regrets:
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 Melissa Nolet Derek Patino
Alternates : Sherry Lee Dawson, Ekaterina Kamardina, Krista Brotzel, Mark Armstrong, Kevin Scott		Commissioner: Wayne Clifford	Absences: Vanessa Nolet
VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary		Community: Claudia Carpanzano (H&S)	Guests:

- 1) Welcome at 19:00
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Christina Maurice Fazio; Carried
- 3) Adoption of the January 22, 2019 Minutes
Motioned by Christina Maurice Fazio; Seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried
- 4) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
 - a) n/a
- 5) Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) LBPSB - Consultation on the 2019-2020 Budget - due March 29, 2019
- 6) Reports
 - a) School Council – Teresa Borrelli
 - i) n/a
 - 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) **Motion** for a new fundraiser with Veseys Bulbs (50% profit back)
Motioned by Christina Maurice Fazio; Seconded by Debbie King-Brassard; Carried
- 7) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)
 - a) **Question:** How will the new Government-mandated extra recess time impact our school?
Answer: Still holding meetings to discuss what will happen
- 8) New Business
 - a) n/a
- 9) Correspondence
 - a) n/a
- 10) Varia & Field Trips
 - a) **Motion:** Grade 6 Field Trip to the Holocaust Museum March 25, 2019. 1:10 ratio. Will include a guided tour and speech from a survivor. Cost mainly covered by Government Grant, Parents to be charged \$2
Motioned by Cassandra Fusco; Seconded by Beth Miller; Carried
 - b) **Motion:** Grade 3 Ski Trip to Notre Dame de Fatima on March 19th; 2 trips, no cost.
Motioned by Mark Armstrong; Seconded by Debbie King-Brassard; Carried
 - c) **Motion:** for a Parent Info Session on March 13 from the Missing Children Network regarding Online Safety. We will also invite Parents of St. Patrick's to attend. No cost.
Motioned by Christina Maurice Fazio; Seconded by Laura Humphreys; Carried
- 11) Adjournment: Motioned by Natalie Rippen-Randle at 19:38

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



Principal's Report to Governing Board February 19, 2019 Meeting



Thank you to Ms. Lamothe and Ms. Randle for coaching our three bookworm teams. They did very well at the Kidslit competition and even beat a high school team.

Talia Martin, Leilani Zafran and Siddharth Seshadri (one of last years Edgewater teams) won and went to the Canadian nationals this weekend and placed fourth!

Thank you to Ms. Anto and Home and school for the wonderful Unplug and Play afternoon. There was a great turn out and everyone had a great time playing board games, getting a free book and doing some arts and crafts.

Grade 6 grade trip was a success again this year. Despite the cold weather everyone participated in all the outdoor activities at Notre Dame de Fatima. Thank you to the grade 6 teachers and Ms. Borelli for your support.

We have 55 kindergarten registrations.

Teachers spent the February ped day at Learn Quebec working in their open creative maker spaces developing units for their students.

Thank you to Home and School for spoiling our staff during staff appreciation week. We really felt loved!

Report cards will be available on Fusion March 1st at 4:00 pm. Parent /teacher interviews are by invitation from the teachers and will be sent out after the March break. The interviews will be on March 21st.

KidsPower is presenting workshops for all our students on February 18,19,and 2th0. Workshops are building skill around anti-bullying.

Upcoming Events

February 25th - Winter carnival(bad weather day Feb. 27th)

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

February 28th- litterless lunch

March 1st- backwards day- fundraiser for the Ecomuseum

March Break 4th to the 8th

March 13th- Missing children presentation for parents on being safe online. We will invite the St. Patrick community to join us.

Addendum #2

Commissioner's Report to the Governing Board Dec 2018

News from the Jan 28th Meeting of the Council of Commissioners

As has been widely reported, to alleviate a critical space shortage currently being encountered by the Commission scolaire Marguerite-Bourgeoys, Minister of Education Roberge announced last Monday he will exercise his authority within the Education Act to force the Lester B. Pearson School Board to arbitrarily cede Riverdale High School to the CSMB at the end of this school year, choosing to ignore the provisions and timeline of our Major School Change Policy. Much of the January Council meeting then concerned the Riverdale issue with assurance being provided for students and staff alike that the planned merger with Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School at the PCHS site will actually provide the enhanced pedagogical and extra-curricular opportunities that a high school enrolment of 900+ can provide. At the same time, there was recognition of the troubling fact that yet another English school in Quebec was being closed down, this time by a government seemingly insensitive to the local community's responsibility to manage and control its own network of schools.

Along with other school boards, the LBPSB has declined to provide Quebec government officials who requested the numbers of teachers and other staff wearing religious symbols (in preparation for the introduction of legislation on banning such symbols) with such information. First of all, no such count exists but, much more important, even asking employees to provide such information would violate Quebec and Canadian laws protecting people from religious discrimination.

Further to the recent Carbon Monoxide issue, Assistant Director General Carol Heffernan reported that ten of our schools/centres are heated with electricity and thus do not require CO detectors. It has been decided to immediately install brand new inexpensive CO detectors in all other schools/centres – even those that already have them – and follow this up with the eventual installation of permanent CO detectors in those schools/centres which would be hooked up to the intrusion alarm system.

A slight revision was made to the previously approved 2019-2020 School Calendar to reflect a change of date in the Teacher's Convention from November 8th, 2019 to November 15th, 2019.

Consultations Launched: Council adopted a resolution launching the 2019-2020 Budget Consultation in order for the community to provide input on the allocation of school board revenues, with responses to be returned no later than March 29th. In addition, the Director General has distributed the annual consultation on the selection criteria for selection of a principal of the school due no later than February 25th.

_QESBA reported the creation of a committee called APPELE-Québec (Alliance for the Promotion of Public English-language Education in Quebec), a Québec-wide alliance to promote the continued existence of English school boards governed by commissioners democratically elected by the English-speaking community at large. One of the mandates would be to implement, in cooperation with education stakeholders and community partners, an advocacy campaign, aimed at decision makers at all levels of government as well as opinion leaders, supporting the

continued existence of democratically elected school boards. APPELE is comprised of the following groups: the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA), the Quebec Community Groups Network (QCGN), the English Parents' Committee Association (EPCA) and the Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations (QFHSA).

The QESBA Board of Directors has also unanimously selected LBPSB chair Noel Burke as its new Vice-President. And as concerns any potential legal actions related to opposition to the Quebec government's announced plans to abolish duly-elected school boards, QESBA decided to explore the Court Challenges Program of Canada as a potential funding source. The CCP is a non-profit organization whose stated purpose is "to provide financial assistance for important court cases that advance language and equality rights guaranteed under [Canada's Constitution](#)".

The Pearson Educational Foundation announced that their next fund-raiser will be the Montreal Canadiens game vs. the Detroit Red Wings on Tuesday, March 12th. Tickets are available now at \$25 for students and \$47 for adults, For further information, please visit the PEF website at <http://pef.lbpsb.qc.ca/>

The next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, February 25th, 2019, at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Clifford

Commissioner – Ward 12

Addendum #3 Parent's Committee Report

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

Addendum #4 Daycare Report – February 2019

Teacher Appreciation:

On behalf of the whole daycare and lunch staff I would like to thank Home and School and all others parties involved for including the support staff in this event. It is greatly appreciated to be included as part of the team. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed all the treats.

Daycare room changes: the half way mark has arrived so classrooms used for daycare in the morning and after school have rotated. Teachers have been more than accommodating to the needs of the daycare and its staff, especially considering the space constraints that exist in our school.

Tax receipts: are in the process of being prepared. They have to be distributed no later than February 28, 2019. The school board is in the process of having the tax receipts available through "Fusion" for the year 2018 and onward! The news is expected later this week. An email will be sent to all families on how to access the receipts once the process is in place. This is a huge financial savings both in postage and man hours stuffing envelopes. Tax information letter has been posted on our website and a hard copy was available at the daycare sign in door for all daycare families.

Ped days:

- February 9 2018: 85 students enjoyed Sliding Pajama day at school. Due to inclement weather we did not walk to the park but opted to play in the school yard.
- Sportira Cage is our next ped day on March 22, 2019.

Outstanding fees: final collection letters will be sent out by the end of the month to all families with outstanding fees.

Clubs: We have clubs happening both during the lunch hour and during morning daycare. Yoga runs 5 days/week at lunch, chess 2 days/week, art once/week, cooking once/week and active games once/week. Some are held at lunch and others in morning daycare at 8:00am. There is no additional charge for the clubs.

Pancake Breakfast: Was held this morning. Seniors serve the breakfast to all the students. There is no additional charge for this event and all daycare students are welcome even if it is not their day/time.

Snow Days: All our families have been re-invoiced for the snow day in January 2019 and again in February 2019 to reflect the school being closed January 24, 2019 and February 13, 2019.