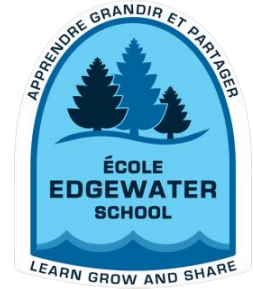


Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

May 21, 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 Noh Trish Schofield Natalie Rippen-Randle Teresa Borrelli	Shirley Kapitsky (Principal) Beth Miller (Daycare)	Ekaterina Kamardina Mark Armstrong Sherry Lee Dawson Krista Brotzel
Alternates : Sherry Lee Dawson, Ekaterina Kamardina, Krista Brotzel, Mark Armstrong, Kevin Scott		Commissioner: Wayne Clifford	Absences: Kevin Scott Christina Maurice Fazio
VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary		Community: Claudia Carpanzano (H&S)	Guests:

- 1) Welcome at 19:03
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Beth Miller; Carried
- 3) Adoption of the April 16, 2019 Minutes
Motioned by Laura Humphreys; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried
- 4) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)
 - a) **Question:** Are there plans for the play structure for kindergarten? Maybe go fund me to be set up? Some parents were suggesting donating their 100\$ cheques from the lawsuit.
Answer: All work planned for this summer has been cancelled. Next year the Board could include replacing the play structure as part of the school renovations. In the meantime, new toys have been received and the Playground Pals will step up their involvement and play more with the kids and toys.
- 5) Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) n/a
- 6) Reports
 - a) School Council – Teresa Borrelli - verbal report given
 - b) Principal's Report – See Addendum #1

- c) Commissioner's Report – See Addendum #2
- d) Regional Parent Committee Report - See Addendum #3
- e) Daycare Report – See Addendum #4

Motion: to close Daycare Services on the September 27, 2019 Ped Day instead of the previously-approved January 2020 Ped day

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli; Seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried

f) Home & School

PIZZA -(dates to be determined) with Pizza Pizza in Ile Perrot

There will be 10 pizza days, 1x per month. 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.

FUNDRAISING:

- Spirit Wear throughout the year
- Fundscrip throughout the year
- Mabels Labels throughout the year
- Fall campaign to go home in October. Macmillan's Classics cookie dough and muffins (same company as last year but more items)
- Principal for a 1/2 day- May or June 2019
- Spring campaign Vesey's Bulbs

EVENTS:

- Dance – October 25, 2019
- Craft Fair – November 23, 2019
- Born to read/literacy – January 26, 2020
- Pink T-shirt Day- February 26, 2020
- Comedy Night- March 27, 2020
- Shop Fest- May 2, 2020
- Movie Night- June 2020

Motion: to approve Home & School requests as presented for 2019-2020

Motioned by Natalie Rippen-Randle; Seconded by Beth Miller; Carried

7) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports)

- a) n/a

8) New Business

- a) LBPSB Policy on Video Surveillance (input or recommendations by June 19, 2019)

- b) 2019-2020 Governing Board

2nd Year: Derek Patino, Melissa Nolet, Laura Humphreys

Open Positions: Mike Aragona (graduating), Vanessa Nolet, Cassandra Fusco, Christina Maurice Fazio

- c) Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Plan

Motion: to approve ABAV Plan for 2019-2020

Motioned by Cassandra Fusco; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried

9) Correspondence

- a) Director General Selection Criteria Consultation

10) Varia & Field Trips

- a) **Ratified:** Grade 3 Droulers Field trip on May 24, 58 students, 11 adults, going by bus to St Anicet leaving at 9 and returning a 2:45, no cost as it is covered by government grant
- b) **Motion:** Grade 6 Super Aqua Club in Pointe-Calumet. 6 adults 64 children (1:10) Full day leave at 9:15 come back 3:15. June 17th- \$40
Motioned by Trish Schofield; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried
- c) **Motion:** Grade 6 bowling June 18th Salon de Quilles-Pincourt. 1:30 to 2:30. 4 adults 64 students (1:16) -\$5
Motioned by Vanessa Nolet; Seconded by Daphne Amster; Carried
- d) **Motion:** In-school Grade 4 game making activity with Randolph Animation on June 17, 2019. No cost to parents.
Motioned by Cassandra Fusco; Seconded by Derek Patino; Carried

11) Adjournment: Motioned by Laura Humphreys at 19:45

Date Minutes Adopted

Chairperson

Principal

Addendum #1 – Principal's Report

Principal's Report to Governing Board May 21, 2019 Meeting



- Thank you Ms. Anto and Ms. Jodyne for the beautiful Art Vernissage. St. Pat's was invited to come and view all the art work. Edgewater has many talented students
- The students going to BHS had a wonderful day visiting their future school
- We were treated to the St. Pat's play , Princess and the Pea.
- Our Junior Battle of the Books team did very well at their competition coming in third. Thank you Ms. Daphne and Ms. Sarah
- With the bridge opening up we were able to reschedule our concert and the students had us tapping our toes. Thank you Mr. Berard
- Grade 6 has completed their French exam and the English exam will be completed this week. Math exam will follow as the last exam for the students.
- There were 31 students that wrote the exam to be able to get into the enriched programs in high school
- Thank you to home and school and all the volunteers for the Shopfest, Vesey's bulb and the pizza party before the open house
- The junior cross country run was a big success and the weather was very cooperative
- The open house was very well attended
- Blood drive brought in 161 people and 153 were able to donate! Thank you Ms. Daphne and all her volunteers!
- The construction that was planned for this summer has be postponed until the summer of 2020
- The kindergarten play structure was inspected and deemed unsafe so it came down. We hope to be able to put up a new structure in the summer of 2020. Hopefully it will be part of the construction budget.
- We had enough registrations in the postal code area, which the government assigned, for a 4 year old Kindergarten next year.

- Edgewater and St. Pat's will shift the lunch hour so the lunch staff can work at both schools. Edgewater's lunch hour will be 12:30 to 1:20.
- Thank you to Ms. Daphne, Mme. Sophies, Ms. Fusco and the grade 4 students for raising \$1,100 dollars by selling bracelets from recycled glass and donating it to 4Ocean to help clean up the oceans.

Upcoming Events

May 24th- Droulers field trip all day - Grade 3

May 24th- The Edgewater Bookworms have the kids from Garderie Elite coming to visit us so they can read to them in the library.

May 27th- Jump Rope for Heart (Rain date May 29th)

May 28th- Track & Field meet at Riverdale(Rain dates 30 & 31)

May 31st- Pincourt Gala- 6 grade students will be recognized for leadership, perseverance and excellence

June 3rd - Ped day, Kindergarten orientation in the morning & K4 information session for parents in the afternoon.

June 4th- Home and School

June 6th- Talent show-2 shows in the afternoon. Parents of students that are performing will be invited to attend

June 7th- Shine coming in for Grade 6

June 7th- Home and School movie night

June 13th- Volunteer tea after school

June 18th- Power Hour (rain date is last day of school - June 21)

June 19th- Tombola

June 20th - Grad

Addendum #2

May 21, 2019 Commissioner's Report

Retirement of the Director General: On April 8th, Michael Chechile announced to the LBPSB community that he will be retiring effective September 2, 2019 following an outstanding career of 33 years of educational leadership as a Teacher, Vice-Principal, Principal, Director of Educational Services and finally as our DG since 2015. While Michael will be sorely missed by all of us who know just how instrumental he has been to the success of the school board in recent years, an extremely important responsibility of the Council of Commissioners is the hiring of the next Director General. To facilitate this process, a selection committee has already been formed by Council and a public posting for the position has been undertaken. We hope that the hiring process for the new DG can be completed before the end of June so that he/she can take over the leadership of the board as soon as is practical. See also <https://boardsite.lbpsb.qc.ca/news/post/michael-chechile-director-general-of-the-lbpsb-to-retire>

News from the April 29th, 2019 Meeting of the Council of Commissioners

The Director General reported that as a result of many retirements that need to be taken into consideration this year, the Administrative Appointments for 2019-2020 will only be ready to be brought forward to Council on May 27th.

On the proposed Bill 21, Council unanimously adopted a resolution reiterating our strong opposition to the bill as proposed which prohibits our employees from wearing religious symbols in the performance of their professional responsibilities and stating that we will not enforce those provisions of Bill 21 if adopted.

On the recommendation of the Facilities & Security Committee, Council passed numerous resolutions allowing for contracts to be awarded to specific construction companies. Much of the work is expected to be undertaken over the summer.

Following the recently-completed consultation, the revised Policy on Major School Change – A Policy on the Distribution of Educational Services was adopted by the Council of Commissioners of the Lester B. Pearson School Board, with an effective date of April 29, 2019.

As recommended by the Executive Committee, Council resolved that the draft Video Surveillance Policy should be distributed for consultation to the Staff Members, Central Students' Committee, Parents' Committee, the Governing Boards and other consultative partners of the School Board during the week of April 29 with responses to be returned to the Secretariat no later than June 19 for consideration of responses and that the final draft of the Video Surveillance Policy should be submitted for adoption at the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners to be held on June 25, 2019.

Following a consultation under section 40 of the Education Act with the Governing Boards of Riverdale High School and Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School, Council adopted a resolution that effective July 1, 2019, the name of the Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School will be changed to Pierrefonds Community High School.

The 2017-2018 Annual Report was revised to reflect newly-received success rates released by the Ministry. The results are very positive for the LBPSB.

The Program & Services Committee reported on a presentation made by the Director of Educational Services Marie Wahba on the Comparative Outcomes of Results achieved by students in our three elementary school programs: Bilingual, Immersion and Français Plus. While she noted that Math remains a challenge for a number of our schools, Grade 6 MEES English Language Arts and French Second Language success rates are generally good ranging from the mid-high 80s for students in the bilingual program to the 90s for Immersion and Français Plus students. Also, preliminary findings indicate that by the end of High School, very little difference is noted in results, regardless of the Elementary program followed.

The Special Needs Advisory Committee reported the 2019-2020 SNAC AGA will take place on Wednesday, September 25 at 7:00 P.M. in the Boardroom. All parents of students with special needs or on an IEP are invited to attend to gather information on the services SNAC provides and/or to run for the election to the 2019-2020 SNAC.

The newly-reconstituted Green Committee reported that in terms of environmental initiatives, it will survey schools and centers to see which schools currently compost and have environmental committees. Also, a review is being undertaken of the number of water fountains installed in all our facilities, with the goal of having sufficient water fountains installed so that single use plastic water bottles can be eliminated. Cafeteria Greening: sustainable cafeterias including a goal of reusable utensils and plates are under active consideration.

The LBPSB has received a letter dated April 15, 2019, from Jean-François Roberge, Minister of Education and Higher Education announcing that, as we approach the end of the school year, grades of 58% and 59% obtained in a subject whose marks are required for the certification of studies will no longer be raised systematically to a 60% grade. Note: Policies adopted by the Lester B. Pearson School Board appear on the Board website and can be found at <http://www.lbpsb.qc.ca/eng/policy/policyV2.asp> and Council Committee reports can be viewed on our website at: <http://www.lbpsb.qc.ca/eng/council/CommitteeReports.asp>

Upcoming Public meetings Executive Committee May 21st, 5:30 pm Boardroom 1925 Brookdale, Dorval
Council of Commissioners * May 27th, 7:30 pm Boardroom 1925 Brookdale, Dorval

* Live/archived webcasts available on the Board website.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Clifford

Commissioner – Ward 12

Addendum #3 Parent's Committee Report

LBPSB Parents' Committee
May 2, 2019
7:00 PM, LBPSB boardroom
1925 Brookdale Ave, Dorval

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

ATTENDEES: Representatives of 17* of 48 member schools as well as SNAC, and Commissioner Representing the Parents' Committee (elected by SNAC), Angela Berryman, were in attendance. Thomas Rhymes, representing the administration and a member of the public were also in attendance. Please see attached attendance record for further details.

**Quorum was not established and thus no voting was able to take place*

UPDATES:

- **EPCA: The Future of School Boards:** EPCA wants guidance on whether they should partner with Appele-Quebec regarding the possible abolishment of school boards; a preliminary straw poll was taken of members present and the overwhelming majority – due to Appele-Quebec's stated objective of protecting school boards and not knowing who is funding the group – was in favor of EPCA keeping observer status while not being required to sign on to any Appele-Quebec decisions or initiatives; Appele-Quebec's website has been posted on Basecamp and the topic will be revisited once members have had a chance to research the entity
- **School Fees:** a regulation has been put forward by the government but has not yet been passed; principals have been advised that there will probably be a few changes and a meeting will be held at the beginning of May to go over the new law with them; it is anticipated that this will be brought to GBs during the month of June; those GBs who have already approved their school fees for next year should revisit them to make sure they follow the new rules
- **PC Structures:** Parent Structures subcommittee will meet to discuss the structure of the PC going forward; there are pros and cons to both the current structure and also the previous incarnation as the CPC; conversation will be taken to Basecamp; if a new structure were to be decided upon, Council would have to approve it and the item would have to be on the agenda for the PC AGA in September
- **Environmental Awareness subcommittee:** the finalized resolution from last meeting – regarding field trips to recycling plants for 7th graders – is in the kit; the two other draft resolutions (formulation of an environmental awareness committee and banning of single-use plastic bottles) will be made available on Basecamp for reps who wish to take them back to their GBs
- **AB/AV / Tell Them From Me surveys:** the TTFM is comprised of three different reports – Bullying & Safety, Engagement, and Generalized – all of which should be posted on the school's website; results for the individual schools should be posted by the end of April; discussions to conduct the survey once per year instead of twice; mentioned that GBs are not privy to all of the student feedback; the board does not own the survey, therefore does not have all of the questions, but principals have the ability to pull up certain results (i.e.

homework habits) as well as the questions; any parental feedback can be directed to T. Rhymes; when the board puts the contract out for tender, it will ask for text-to-speech features for students with special needs; admin is requesting that principals undergo training in order to better implement the TTFM survey; the board has implemented some of the suggestions from the PC; once results are revealed, action plan templates are created to address any issues

☐ **PC Newsletter:** it is expected that an edition of the PC newsletter will be sent out to all LBPSB parents in mid to late June; the Environmental Awareness subcommittee wishes to submit pieces for the newsletter; PC intends to print a list of the activities it was involved in this year; PC members were invited to provide content; SNAC would like to advertise its AGA in the newsletter; it was emphasized that high schools break for the summer before the end of June and that ultimately, it would be better to disseminate the newsletter before that

NEW TOPICS:

☐ **Consultation: Director General Selection Criteria:** given the very short window (responses due May 7th), PC member comments were noted by the CRPCs in attendance to take back to Council

☐ **PC End-of-Year dinner:** at next meeting June 6th; suggestions for venue to be made on Basecamp; a venue must be capable of accommodating 20 -30 people and preferably a separate room as there will be a few “housekeeping” items that will need to be discussed that evening

☐ **PC AGA 2019-2020:** two-part Annual General Assembly to be held on September 26th and October 10th; part 1 typically covers explanations of the roles and responsibilities of the various positions up for election, with members being elected to hold those positions during part 2

VARIA:

☐ A moment was taken to acknowledge Holocaust Remembrance Day

☐ Joint subcommittee meeting to be held on May 9th, hopefully with a presentation highlighting the results of last year’s survey regarding high school

☐ SNAC sent a letter to the Minister of Education regarding the additional 20 minutes of recess

☐ SNAC’s next meeting is May 8th

☐ SNAC’s AGA will be September 25th

☐ PEF’s Comedy Benefit Show raised nearly \$6000

☐ The board is holding a Parent Information Session on LBPSB High School WOTP PROGRAMS on May 7th at 6:30

☐ The newly formed Green Committee met for the first time and reviewed their mandate, the Green Policy, and board environmental initiatives; the board is reviewing the number of water fountains installed in all its facilities with the goal of having sufficient water fountains installed so that single use plastic water bottles can be eliminated; the committee will also provide input into the tender on sustainable cafeterias including the materials used to serve food and beverages

☐ A Pilot project is commencing at Birchwood elementary school (the school has an onsite cafeteria) where instead of using paper serving dishes and plastic utensils the school board

will purchase reusable cutlery and dishes to be run by their green team; Birchwood is working with the City of St Lazare to have composting (including food) picked up on a regular basis

- The Intercultural Advisory Committee dictated its position on Bill 21 and how it runs counter to certain board policies
- The Policy on Video Surveillance Consultation – due June 19, 2019 – was launched
- Council adopted the board's policy on Major School Change, as well as the resolution opposing Bill 21, by-laws 1 and 1E, and PCHS' deed of establishment under the new name 'Pierrefonds Community High School'
- LBPSB Director General, Mr. Michael Chechile, has announced his intention to retire from his position effective September 3, 2019; his replacement is being sought (hence the Director General Selection Criteria Consultation)
- The LBPSB wishes to thank all parents in the system for their patience and understanding as we try to manage through the flooding crisis alongside municipal officials, emergency services personnel and community leaders

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Joint Subcommittee – May 9th

Parents' Committee - June 6th

Addendum #4 Daycare Report – May 2019

June Invoicing: The board has encouraged us to invoice in May for June daycare and lunch fees. Rather than waiting until June. EW invoicing should be done for June by May 24, 2018.

Registration 2019-2020: Effective today all daycare and lunch registrations for Grade 1 through 6 are done on Fusion. The deadline for registration is June 7, 2019. An ERMS will be sent out by Shirley and the instructions are now posted on the school website. There will also be notices posted for parents at the daycare door and on their monthly invoices. The Kindergarten and 4 year old Kindergarten will be hard copy as they are new students; everything else should be done on line (via Fusion). I have training this week to learn the new procedures.

June 3rd Ped Day: Our last of the year. It is a Pirates theme! The cost is \$14 including lunch.

Open House: It was a huge success even from the daycare perspective. Many families came by and saw the students inventions, art, construction projects, photo montage and to taste test the students chocolate chip cookies. Many families came by who are in the 4K program. Thank you to Shirley for providing pizza supper to all the daycare staff.

Next Year: Our school been chosen for the pilot project, "Solution Focus". We wish to close the ped day on September 27th so that the whole school staff can be trained together, meaning that the daycare will not be open. This will replace the ped day we are normally closed in January.

Emergency Responders: The 3 day first aid course will be done in June. One of them will be a daycare employee so that there is coverage after school hours.