

Edgewater Governing Board Minutes

October 22, 2019



Governing Board:

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:	Regrets:
Cassandra Fusco (C, Sec) Derek Patino Laura Humphreys Jeremy Zafran Melissa Nolet	Daphne Amster Deborah King Sandra Nouh Trish Schofield Natalie Rippen-Randle Teresa Borrelli	Shirley Kapitsky (Principal) Beth Miller (Daycare)	Christina M. Fazio (VC) Sherry Lee Dawson (RR)
Alternates : Mark Armstrong, Tracey-Ann Curtis, Lucy Baum, Nathalie Mailhot (RA)		Commissioner: Wayne Clifford	Absences: Ekaterina Kamardina
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 by Cassandra Fusco
 - a) Introduction of GB Members and Alternates
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda

Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Teresa Borrelli; Carried
- 3) Adoption of the September 17, 2019 Minutes

Motioned by Beth Miller; Seconded by Laura Humphreys; Carried
- 4) Governing Board positions

Alternate Parent Representative: Nathalie Mailhot by acclamation
- 5) Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board)

No questions
- 6) Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) n/a
- 7) 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 - No report (Sherry Lee Dawson is absent)
- e) Daycare Report – See Addendum #3
- f) Home & School

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

- a) Principal Report – Question from Lucy Baum concerning Emergency Binder
 - Q: Do students who are not in their classroom at the time a code is called know what to do?
 - A: S. Kapitsky answered, yes, they do.
- b) Principal Report – Question from Mark Armstrong concerning Emergency Binder
 - Q: What if the bridges are closed and parents cannot get to their children in case of school closure?
 - A: S. Kapitsky answered that parents are supposed to have a contact who is close by to the school and can be reached in case of emergency.
- c) Principal Report – Question from
 - Q: The new drop-off zone seems to be problematic as parents are not respecting the regulations?
 - A: S. Kapitsky responds that the change is the result of a 3-year study conducted by the city and the police to improve security; she is hoping to make some changes to improve the system and will contact the city about getting their support/security to help. Another reminder about the regulations will be sent to all parents.
- d) Daycare report – Question from
 - Q: Are payments improving for daycare/lunch program with the use of Fusion?
 - A: Beth Miller responds no, things have remained the same.

9) New Business

- a) Schedule of Governing Board Meetings 2019-2020
 - Ratified schedule: October 15, 2019 meeting moved to October 22, 2019
 - Motioned** by Derek Patino; Seconded by Sandra Nouh; Carried
- b) Edgewater Educational Project
 - i) Ms. Kapitsky presents the Project and requests it be adopted
 - Motioned** by Derek Patino; Seconded by Mark Armstrong; Carried

10) Correspondence

- a) n/a

11) Varia & Field Trips

- a. **Motion:** to allow grade 5 students to go to an Ottawa field trip in May 2020. Adult/student ratio 1:6. Cost is \$10 per student.
- Motioned** by Teresa Borrelli; Seconded by Derek Patino; All in favor, Carried

- b. **Motion:** to allow Grade 5 students to go on seasonal “photo walks” to Bellevue Park in Pincourt. Adult/student ratio 1:10.

Motioned by Beth Miller; Seconded by Natalie Rippen-Randle; All in favor, Carried

- c. **Motion:** to allow school wide Read-a-thon from November 8-18 with proceeds going to We Yone Child Foundation in Sierra Leone.

Motioned by Deborah King; Seconded by Sandra Nouh; All in favor, Carried

- d. **Motion:** to allow fundraising project by grade 5 girls for We Yone Child: Girls to Women Reusable Pads Project.

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli; Seconded by Jeremy Zafran; All in favor, Carried

- e. **Motion:** to allow Green Summit at Edgewater School on March 31st, 2020 Ped Day.

Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Laura Humphreys; All in favor, Carried

- f. **Motion:** to allow Kindergarten and Grade 1 student field trip to Gym Tanik on November 1st, 2019. Adult/student ratio 1/13. Cost \$3 per student.

Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Derek Patino; All in favor, Carried

- g. **Motion:** to allow Grade 6 student field trip to MacDonald High School for the Remembrance Day Service. Adult/student ratio 1/10. Cost \$8 per student.

Motioned by Jeremy Zafran; Seconded by Teresa Borrelli; All in favor, Carried

- h. **Motion:** to allow KISoccer to offer grade 3 students an 8-week session of soccer (1 hour per week) at lunchtime in the gym. Includes PUMA jersey. First come, first serve, maximum 25 participants. \$100 per student.

Motioned by Daphne Amster; Seconded by Trish Schofield; All in favor, Carried

- i. **Motion:** to allow H & S to sell \$25 Skytag gift cards with \$5 per card going back to the school

Motioned by Derek Patino; Seconded by Laura Humphreys; All in favor, Carried

Adjournment: Motioned by Natalie Rippen-Randle at 20:12

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Date Minutes Adopted	Chairperson	Principal
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Addendum #1 - Administration Report
Administration Report

October 22, 2019



Edgewater Votes!

- Thank you to Ms. Borrelli for organizing, coaching and hosting the Ultimate Frisbee tournament once again. It was a great success. So much sportsmanship shown by our students
- Edgewater participated in Orange Shirt Day by inviting students and staff to wear an orange shirt. A senior student read why we wear an orange shirt and Mr. Howarth our spiritual animator read from the book about the orange shirt to school. We also placed a plaque in the entrance way to acknowledge the ground that we meet on is unceded territory
- Thank you to Ms. Tina and Ms. Borrelli for all their hard work organizing the Terry Fox Run once again. It was another successful day with St. Pat's. Edgewater raised \$ 5,298.30!!!
- Thank you to Ms. Tina for coaching and bringing our students to the Handball tournament. Our students made us proud as always.
- The BHS band once again came to entertain us and it was enjoyed by all
- Interim reports were available on Fusion on October 15th

- We have completed 3 fire drills and our lockdown. Three more fire drills to go.
- We had 4 of the 6 political parties come to speak to our senior students. The Green Party, the Conservative party, the People's Party and the Liberal Party. Edgewater students had very thought provoking questions for all the candidates.
- Edgewater students voted on October 16th and our votes are part of the official student vote Canada site. The winner at Edgewater was the Liberal party with 181 votes followed by the Green party 73, NDP 49, CPC 35 and a lastly tied BQ & PP 14.
If you would like to see the student vote results across Canada go to Student Vote Canada 2019
- Thank you to Ms.Daphne and Ms. Randle for organising the visits from the political parties and the voting day.
- Thank you to Lori Dow for giving our 4 year olds students a great start and welcome to Kelly Barta who will be starting Tuesday.
- Welcome to Anik, Ms. Borrelli's student teacher. She will be here for the next 8 weeks.
- The emergency preparedness binder has been updated

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 25th** - Halloween dance run by Home & School
- Oct. 31st** - Haunted house during the day, put on by grade 6
- Nov. 5th** - Home and School meeting
- Nov. 7th** - Grade 6 go to Macdonald High School for the Remembrance day ceremony
- Nov. 11th** - Remembrance day ceremony in the morning
- Nov. 15th** - Ped day/Daycare is closed
- Nov. 18th** - Report cards available on Fusion
- Nov. 20th - evening interviews & 21st - day time interviews**
- Nov. 21st** - Ped day

Commissioners' Report

Oct. 2019

At the **September** meeting of the Council of Commissioners, Casey De Andrade Kiss of Lindsay Place and Serena Masciotra of St. Thomas were appointed as the representatives of the Central Students Committee to the Council of Commissioners of the LBPSB for the 2019-2020 school year and were sworn in as student commissioners. Their initial report raises the concept of a possible board-wide high school dance.

A number of administrative appointments were made to replace people who have been promoted or who have retired since June. These will appear in the official minutes at the end of October.

Congratulations were offered to Westwood High School (formerly Hudson High School) and Soulanges Elementary School for celebrating their centennial years.

The Executive Committee reported it had approved the 2019-2020 Allocations to the Governing Boards of each school and centre (\$24,618 total), the Parents' Committee (\$5,000), the Central Students' Committee (\$1,000) and the Special Needs Advisory Committee (\$2,000). There were no changes to last year's formula.

The Program & Services Committee reported that the LBPSB is committed to another 3 years of the TTFM (Tell Them From Me) student survey. The Board is looking at new features and tools to enhance the understanding and analysis of the survey's results to ensure a more meaningful understanding of the students' responses. The plan is to alternate surveys, once a year, with bullying and school safety in one year and school engagement in the second.

The Pearson Educational Foundation (PEF) reported its Grants to Schools and Classrooms program is about to launch with information on how to apply and the timelines involved being communicated to staff and teachers. In addition, tickets (as low as \$16) are now on sale for the annual Alouettes/LBPSB partnership game to be played at Molson Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 26th at 1 pm. Light a Dream will be holding its major fundraiser of the year, the annual Casino Night and Auction, at the Beaconsfield Golf Club on Friday, Nov. 1st beginning at 7 pm. Finally, PEF announced HELP!, a Beatle themed musical fundraiser to be held on Friday, Oct. 25, 2019 at 7 pm at John Rennie High School. Ticket information for these fundraisers is available on the website: <http://pef.lbpsb.qc.ca/>

Two moving White Pine tree planting ceremonies were held on Sept. 23rd celebrating our recognition and connection to First Nations values and culture, one at Lakeside Academy and the second at our head office.

Statistics on the Ministry Exam success rates across the province have been released. Media reports indicated that the EMSB has the highest success rate (92.4%) versus LBPSB (89.5%); however, it is important to note that this result is based on a 7-year

cohort. In the five years of high school, after which students are expected to graduate, our school board maintained the highest graduation rate in 2018 of 84.1% versus 81.0% at EMSB. (Data from page 15 of: http://www.education.gouv.qc.ca/fileadmin/site_web/documents/PSG/statistiques_info_decisionnelle/taux-diplomation-secon:daire-CS-2019.pdf)

The LBPSB will receive about \$55 million dollars (9% of Montreal Island funding) over the next three years in capital investments for the renovation of our buildings to maintain their integrity and upgrade to current regulatory and educational standards, where applicable. The final allocations are based on the age and condition of buildings throughout the network.

The Programming & Services Committee reported that the online/virtual summer school which was the 2019 option for Secondary 1 and 2 students proved very successful and will probably be expanded next summer.

The Major School Change consultation process is ongoing with a number of information meetings having been held or planned for the near future. As a reminder, final decisions are to be taken by Council no later than January 15, 2020 for implementation in the 2020-2021 school year. Full documentation related to MSC will be posted at https://boardsite.lbpsb.qc.ca/msc2019_2020

On October 1st the CAQ government tabled its proposed legislation on school board reorganization. The documents are currently being studied by all parties but it will likely become interesting over the next few months.

The next meeting of the LBPSB Council of Commissioners will be held on Monday, October 28th at 7:30 pm at the board Head Office. As always, the public is welcome and the meeting is also webcast live.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Clifford, M.Ed.
Commissioner for Ward 12

Daycare Notes October 2019

Congratulations! Loraine Martin has secured a post at Edgewater. Goodbye to Debbie Sarjeant who has moved over to Forest Hill Junior. Thank you for her contributions to the Edgewater Daycare.

Games Bonanza Ped Day: 104 students registered. The activities went over very well with the students.

Ecomuseum Ped Day: 92 students registered. The weather was perfect! The staff were very vigilant with the election being held in the building.

Website Update: All pertinent information is on the school website including: current ped day forms, payment schedule for the year, daycare/lunch handbook as well as the homework schedule.

Pancake Breakfast: We held our first breakfast on October 16th. Over 175 students participated. Like in past years there is no charge and all registered daycare students are welcome to participate, even if it is not their regular day.

Clubs: Our Yoga Club has started up again Tuesday mornings. There is a Carolling Club starting October 28th with performances in mid-December and a Recycling Christmas Art Club starting mid-November on Wednesdays.

Training: Our 3 Handicap Attendants will be participating in a "Nonviolent Crisis Intervention" workshop on November 1st. Our IT employee will be giving a smart board training on Friday to our daycare educators.