

# Governing Board Meeting December 11, 2024 MINUTES

# **Governing Board:**

| Parents:   | Staff:  | Administration:                                       | Regrets:                                      |
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| Derek Patino (C) Laura Humphreys (VC)/(Sec) Melissa Nolet Wendy Pearson George Wilson  | Ulla Schoenmakers<br>Sandra Nouh<br>Daphne Amster<br>Nathalie Randall<br>Trish Schofield<br>Teresa Borrelli | Shirley Kapitsky (Principal)<br>Natasha Pillay (SEED) | Mike Nother<br>Mark Armstrong<br>Aaron Ashton |
| Alternates:<br>Shauna Plourde  |   | Commissioner:<br>Angela Berryman                      | Absences:                                     |
| C = Chair VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary |   | Community:<br>Laura Humphreys<br>(Home & School)      | Guests:                                       |

| Time  |    | Item   |
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| 18:03 | 1. | Welcome and land acknowledgement   |
| 18:04 | 2. | Adoption of the Agenda  Motioned by Wendy, Seconded by Daphne. Vote: CARRIED.                      |
| 18:05 | 3. | Adoption of the November 20, 2024 Minutes  Motioned by Natasha; Seconded by Teresa. Vote: CARRIED. |
| 18:05 | 4. | Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board) - NONE -                             |
| 18:06 | 5. | Business arising from the minutes - NONE -   |
|       | 6. | Question Period (for Public questions to the Governing Board related to the Reports) - NONE -      |

#### 18:07 7. New Business

- a. Governing Board 2024-2025 Meeting Schedule;
  - i. Wednesdays (7pm)
     January 15, 2025 (in person); February 19 (via zoom); March 19 (via zoom); April 16 (via zoom); May 21 (via zoom); June 11 (in person)

## 18:08 8. Correspondence

- NONE -

## 18:09 9. Varia & Field Trips

- a. Edgewater's 9th annual Omnikin Tournament was a huge success with 32 teams and 160 players from grades 4-6 plus 20 staff members. The winning team Chocolate will play against the staff on December 19th while the whole school gets to watch. There was no cost for this event that took place at lunchtime and PM recess in the gymnasium. This event had already been preapproved by the Governing Board from last year.
- b. Edgewater's 8th annual Cycle 1 Pilo Polo Tournament will take place starting December 16th. 107 students have signed up to play 5 games each and then the top 8 teams will move on to the quarter finals and then semi-finals and then finals. All students participating will get to watch the finals on January 23rd. Grade 6 students will be the referees (and then some grade 5 students for the two days of the grad trip). There is no cost for this event that will take place at lunchtime in the gymnasium. This event has already been pre-approved by the Governing Board from last year.
- c. Edgewater's 6th annual Cycle 2 Pilo Polo Tournament will take place starting January 28th 2025. 108 students have signed up to play 5 games each and then the top 8 teams will move on to the quarter finals and then semi-finals and then finals. All students participating will get to watch the finals on February 27th. Grade 6 students will be the referees. There is no cost for this event that will take place at lunchtime in the gymnasium. This event has already been pre-approved by the Governing Board from last year.
- d. Edgewater's 6th annual March Madness Basketball Tournament will take place starting in March 2025. 59 students have signed up to play 5 games each and then each team will move on to the quarter finals and those winners the semi-finals and then finals. All students participating will get to watch the finals on February 27th. Grade 6 students will be the referees. There is no cost for this event that will take place at lunchtime in the gymnasium. This event has already been pre-approved by the Governing Board from last year.
- e. February 17th Basketball Tournament: ever since LBPSB has removed the annual basketball tournament and replaced it with a tchoukball tournament I have tried to team up with a few schools to continue to do an unofficial tournament ourselves on a ped day. It hasn't happened in a while but Edgewater, St Pats and PETES would like to get together on February 17th at St Patrick Elementary to allow our grade 5&6 students to play some friendly games of basketball

against students from other schools. There will be no cost to the students for this event. Students will need to be dropped off and picked up at St Patrick in order to attend.

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli, Seconded by Wendy. Vote: CARRIED

f. Skieurs de L'Ile Outings will once again take place in January and February of 2025 for the following classes: 401/402/403/501/502/561. On Monday January 20th, January 27th and Monday February 3rd these classes will have their Monday phys ed class at the local ski trail down the street on Blvd de L'Île to be able to ski on an actual ski trail. Thanks to Skieurs de L'Île there is no cost to the students as they will be paying for the buses. Parent volunteers and some integration aides will help Mrs Borrelli and Ms Julia bring the students on the ski trail to improve their cross-country ski experience. This event is dependent on the weather and enough snow. If the event needs to be cancelled, we will make the decision on the Friday before and let everyone know. Regular PE classes in our school yard will resume that Monday if this is the case. **This event has already been pre-approved by the Governing Board from last year.** 

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli, Seconded by Sandra. Vote: CARRIED

g. Volleyball Tournament for grade 6s will take place on Tuesday January 7th, 2025, at John Abbott College. The cost is \$20 per student. There are 46 signed up to play. These students have been training hard at recesses and lunches to prepare for this annual event. This event has already been pre-approved by the Governing Board from last year.

RATIFICATION motioned by Teresa, seconded by Natasha. Vote: CARRIED.

h. Annual LBPSB Ski Loppet event will take place on Wednesday February 12th at Les Forestiers in Les Cedres. Students will get a chance to have a friendly cross country ski race against some other schools on a ski trail. When they are not doing the race, they can go tubing or skating if they bring their own skates. Helmets are mandatory for the tubing and skating and students need to have their own skates to go skating. There is also a chalet for students to go in to warm up and have a snack and their lunch. 145 students have signed up to participate in this event but we can only take 125 students so it will be based on first come first served with a strict deadline for the forms and money. The cost for this event will be \$20 per student. This event has already been pre-approved by the Governing Board from last year.

RATIFICATION motioned by Teresa, seconded by Natasha. Vote: CARRIED.

i. LBPSB 2nd Annual Hit the Stage Dance Off will take place on May 1st and May 2nd 2025. Edgewater will be attending the evening of May 2nd from 5:30-8:30pm. There are 28 students from grade 5 and 6 who have signed up to learn 5 premade dance choreographies and will be practicing at recesses and lunches between November and May. The cost for this event is \$20. Each student will bring in a black sport shirt that will be glammed up with some Cricut vinyl and have their name on it to showcase their team spirit as well as a few surprises along the way and on the evening of the event.

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli, Seconded by Trish. Vote: CARRIED.

j. Annual Edgewater Curling field trips for grade 3-6 students. Every year students in grade 1-2 learn the sport of curling in PE class with adapted curling stones with wheels to be used on the gym floor. In grade 3-6 I like bringing the students to a real curling club to experience this unique sport. This year we will once again be going to Whitlock Golf & Country Club on various dates in January/February/March so each grade 3-6 homeroom will have a chance to participate. The cost will be \$20 per student and students will be required to wear a helmet (hockey/bicycle/skateboard, etc.) on the ice and wear clean indoor running shoes in order to participate. Students will be divided into 4 small groups so the Whitlock curling volunteers can ensure maximum participation and supervision. Ms Borrelli, Ms Julia and the homeroom teachers (plus integration aides) will be going on this field trip along with some parent volunteers for a 1:8 ratio. The dates are:

<u>January 17</u>, 2025 for 502+561, <u>January 31</u> for 601+602, <u>February 6</u> for 301+302, <u>February 14</u> for 401+402, <u>February 21</u> for 403+501, March 28th for 303.

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli, Seconded by Daphne. Vote: CARRIED.

k. Montreal Steppers is a performance collective and non-profit organization committed to the art form of step – a black diasporic dance that uses the body as an instrument to create rhythms and beats, through stomps, claps, and chants. Founded in 2019, the organization has used stepping to influence dialogue around the importance of black art, black lives and black history in Canada, by way of workshops and performances. Mrs Borrelli applied for a cultural grant to bring in the Montreal Steppers for every grade 4-6 class 4 times in the month of February. Students in these classes will have four one-hour workshops to learn about the history and heritage of stepping, learn a routine for those who would like to perform it at the annual Edgewater Talent Show and perhaps be inspired to do a unique "Power Hour" performance this year. This will be happening during the students' phys. ed time plus a few bonus classes for 601, 602, 501 and 403. There is no cost to the students for these workshops thanks to the Culture in the Schools Grant.

Motioned by Teresa Borrelli, Seconded by Daphne. Vote: CARRIED.

18:35 10. Adjournment

Motion by Derek P.

**Next Meeting:** 

January 15 at Edgewater; Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Meeting at 7pm