

CORONATION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Thursday, November 17, 2022 6:30 pm

AGENDA

Attendance Present Absent Rania Delis – Principal Pam Koumoutsakis – Teacher Amanda Dandy- Teacher Valerie Chiniara – Teacher Betty Constant – Teacher Eleni Lacopo- Behavior Technician Julie Ho- Interim Daycare Responsible Kathy Roach - Community Representative Phetsamone Mimi Vongphakdy – Parent & Chairperson Ivan Sarmiento – Parent Minerva Atienza – Parent Naima Mire – Parent **Gilian Jackson - Parent Catherine Forbes – Parent** Sabrina Lawrence- Parent

Absent Lorena Pena -Parent Mohammed Razzak -Parent (Alternate)

1. Welcome

Call to order at 6:36 pm

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Catherine Forbes adopts the agenda, Naima Mire seconds the adoption of the agenda.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes of September 20, 2022

3.1 Construction Update

Construction has resumed and the construction workers are working after school. Repairs will not be completed before the holidays. Date TBD.

3.2 Book Fair Update

Book fair started November, 14, 2022. We have made 3036.65\$ as of now. There has been a lack of Parent Volunteers, therefore some grade 6s have been volunteering. Suggestion for following years for grade 6 volunteers to continue.

4. New Business

- **4.1** 2022-2023 Budget
 - See document

Phetsamone Mimi Vongphakdy moved t that the Governing Board of Coronation, adopts the school budget for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented by the school Principal and Naima Maire seconds, which forecasts a revenue of \$ 367,232.

4.2 Sex Education Document

See document

Pre School optional- our school has opted out.

Workshop for Parents considered and will be discussed and brought up at Staff Council.

Ivan Sarmiento moves to adopt the Sex Education Program at Coronation, Grades 1-6. Naima Maire seconds the motion.

4.3 Educational Plan

Template and results comparing end of cycle (Grade 4 & 6) results for 2019 and 2022, for ELA and Math, shared by Ms. Delis.

See document for significant drop in grades from2019 to 2022 exam results. Potential causes for drop in grades: Covid, cohorts...

4.4 Opening of a New PK/K Class

Ms. Soumiya is the new teacher, and Ms. Rhealyne co-teaches 2 out of 4 days. There are 15 students in this new class. This class opened 3 weeks ago.

4.5 Heating in the Building

Some classes are very hot, some classes are quite cold. The caretaker/plumber have visited some classes, where radiators have been bled and will continue to go to classes to try and solve the problem.

During the summer months when the weather is hot, Ms. Delis is open to fan donations from parents.

5. Reports

- 5.1 Principal
- **5.2** CPC Representative

Joe Ortona presented some cases that have been brought up including Bill 40. EMSB is still fighting to remain a School Board and not converted into Service Centers like some French School Boards. More information to come in the coming weeks. Bill 96- Quebec French Language Law is being challenged in court by EMSB, if lost the EMSB may have to re arrange their business and conduct meetings and written documents in French.

5.3 Daycare Responsible (Revised Handbook)

Occasional daycare status added. See document for changes.

Concerns about higher prices from some parents regarding daycare on Ped Days. Fees have been higher due to outside animators coming in for activities. Julie is trying to balance it out with in house daycare activities.

Concerns about Students in Wings classes not being able to attend Daycare on Ped Days. School Board needs to hire and fill vacant posts to better support these students on Ped Days.

Minerva Atienza moves motion to adopt daycare handbook, Ivan Sarmiento seconds the motion.

5.4 Teachers

Kindergarten had an award winning author come visit the classroom.

On Nov 24, they will have another author visit and share her books.

Animals of Prey Program- activities through literature and art in both English and French in the month November. Actual owls will be coming to school to close the program.

Kindness Tree is on display in the Kindergarten Hallway to encourage Acts of Kindness.

EMSB provides gifts from Santa for all students in Pre- K and Kindergarten.

Cycle 1- Ms. Jennifer's class is participating in a Feline Fundraiser/Kitten Academy that fosters kittens and cats that can later be adopted. The students can check in and watch the kittens/cats grow and play. Our students are invited to bring 1\$ to help fundraise.

Wings classes- Steven Atme has been coming to visit all Wings classes over a 6 week period to do movement/music and drama classes.

The Intermediate and SR Wings classes will be participating in lesson plans and activities developed by Special Olympics Quebec and will participate in a FUN day with 6 other EMSB schools in May 2023.

Cycle 2- visited the Segal Center to see *Frankenstein* on Halloween and participated in the Respect campaign for Remembrance Day where they composed letters to veterans.

Cycle 3- Visited OSM (Orchestre Symphonique de Montreal)

6. Varia

6.1 Snow Removal

Ms. Forbes mentioned our pathways from buses was very slippery last year, Ms. Delis just signed a contract for snow removal where the contract stated that sand and salt measures will be put in place and we will monitor in hopes that it will be better this year.

7. Questions from the Public

8. Date of Next Meeting: January 19, 2023

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm