



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CENTRAL PARENTS' COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE LIBRARY ROOM OF JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL, 3030 VILERAY, MONTREAL
ON THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.**

Members of the Committee

PRESENT: East Sector

Bancroft
Dante
Edward Murphy
General Vanier
Gerald McShane
Honore Mercier
John F. Kennedy
John Grant
John Paul I
LINKS
Laurier Macdonald
Leonardo da Vinci
Lester B. Pearson
MIND
Michelangelo
Nesbitt
Pierre E. Trudeau
Rosemount
Sinclair Laird
St. Dorothy
St. Raphael

Stephanie Keating
Alba Fiorino
Laura Saragosa
Jason Trudeau
Franco Mazzariello
Joseph Di Liello
Carmie Lato
Cynthia Dudley
Francesco Fortugno
Giovanni Goffredo
Mario Bentrovato
Tony Speranza
Benny Berneti
Antoine Fecteau
Pietro Mercuri
Carlo Peruch
Marie-Helene Bedard
Richard Berger
Amanda Liste
Milan Cardone
Peter Baas

Alt.

PRESENT: West Sector

Carlyle
Cedarcrest
Coronation
Dunrae Gardens
Gardenview
Laurenhill
Merton
Roslyn
Royal Vale
Royal West
St. Gabriel
St. Monica
Westmount Park
Willingdon

Serena Caplette
Raymond Ayas
Hannu Jailos
Joseph Bondi
Daniel Tatone
Melvin Shantz
Stacey Kaufman
Michelle Grigat
Mark Ellenbogen
Norm Gharibian
Mubeenah Mughal
Andrew Ross
Sophie Antippa
Suzanne de Jonge

Alt.

ACSES

Isabelle Baas

Regrets/Absent: East Sector

Dalkeith
East Hill
FACE
John Caboto
Mackay
Our Lady of Pompei
Philip E. Layton
Pierre de Coubertin
St. Raphael
Vincent Massey

Patty Smyth
John Carosello
Alyssa Kuzmarov
Sonia Pecora
Joanne Charron
Anthony Cristofaro
Ann Gagnon
Stephen Hudon
Kelly De Pooter
Todd Roberts

Regrets/Absent: West Sector

Edinburgh
Elizabeth Ballantyne
Hampstead
James Lyng
Laurenhill
Marymount
Parkdale
Westmount

Erin Matheson
Marc Laforest
Felipe Morales
Karen Abecassis
Adriano Miele
Sherlyn Figueira
No GB
George Szatmari

Also Present: Ann Marie Matheson, Director General
Evelyn Alfonsi, Regional Director, East Sector
Brigida Sellato, Communications Consultant, EMSB

Observers: Lauren Small-Pennefather, GB Chair, Edinburgh

1. OPENING REMARKS

The chair welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Pietro Mercuri, seconded by Isabelle Baas and resolved to adopt the agenda with the following additions;

6.4 CPC Logo

6.5 End of Cycle Exams

6.6 Fusion Jeunesse

9.1 Letter to GB and Principals based on Internal Rules

Vote: 30-0-0

Motion Carried

(S. Antippa, J. Bondi, M. Grigat, M. Mughal, L. Saragosa & D. Tatone not present)

3. FIRST QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON APRIL 6, 2017

It was moved by Pietro Mercuri, seconded by Isabelle Baas and resolved to adopt the minutes as presented.

Vote: 27-0-3

Motion Carried

(S. Antippa, J. Bondi, M. Grigat, M. Mughal, L. Saragosa & D. Tatone not present)

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 INTERNAL RULES: LEGAL OPINION ON ACSES PORTION (5 MIN)

The members received their answer to their question on the legal aspect of the ACSES membership in that they could specify a mandate longer than 1 year to the members but they would then have to ask Council to modify Policy SG-6.

Following a brief discussion it was decided that ACSES would request to CPC their choice of mandate and then CPC would ask Council to modify the policy.

7:28 pm S. Antippa, J. Bondi, M. Grigat & M. Mughal arrived

5.2 WRAP-UP INFORMATION: PARENT CONFERENCE (5 MIN)

The Parent Ped Day was a success and the feedback and comments have been fabulous. The chair wished to thank everyone that came out to help and she thanked Norm Gharibian for spearheading the organization.

5.3 CONSULTATION: 2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR (5 MIN)

It was moved by Tony Speranza, seconded by Amanda Liste that the calendar 2018-2019 be accepted as presented.

Vote: 30-0-0

Motion Carried

(S. Antippa, J. Bondi, M. Grigat, M. Mughal, L. Saragosa & D. Tatone not present)

5.4 UPDATE: SEX EDUCATION PROGRAM (5 MIN)

Ms. Matheson informed the members that the program will be delayed for another year. As soon as there is more information she will let them know.

7:32 pm D. Tatone arrived

5.5 LITERACY PRIZE CONFIRMATION (5 MIN)

Suzanne de Jonge informed the members on the two choices for the book for the literacy prize. Pete the *Cat's Groovy Guide to Life or Yay, You*. The majority of the members agreed to Pete the Cat.

5.6 CONSULTATION ON CPC STRUCTURE (10 MIN)

The members discussed dissolving the Regional Parents' Committees, East and West, giving parents delegates no obligations to come to meetings more than once a month.

It was moved by Jason Trudeau, seconded by Peter Baas that a formal request be sent to Council from the CPC asking to dissolve the Regional Parent Committees, (East and West) making all parent delegates part of the Central Parents Committee and that it is in the prevue of CPC to create sub-committees and be it further resolved that the funding be allocated from the Regional Parents' Committees to the Central Parents' Committees.

Vote: 19-14-2

Motion Carried

It was moved by Andrew Ross, seconded by Pietro Mercuri that the CPC solicit feedback from the Governing Boards on the motion that was just passed by the end of the school year.

Vote: 8-19-7

Motion Defeated

8:35 L. Saragosa arrived

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 CONSULTATION: CENTENNIAL ACADEMY

The members discussed the consultation and how they would proceed with the brief. It was decided that a sub-committee would be put together to put the brief together and bring it back to the June meeting for approval.

Volunteers to the sub-committee were; Serena Caplette, Andrew Ross, Suzanne de Jonge and Pietro Mercuri.

8:45 C. Perush left

6.2 CONSULTATION: RENAMING MARYMOUNT ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE

It was moved by Jason Trudeau, seconded by Pietro Mercuri that the renaming of Marymount Adult Education Centre to Wagar Adult Education Centre be accepted as presented.

Vote: 34-0-1

Motion Carried

6.3 CONSULTATION: THREE YEAR PLAN (DUE MAY 31ST)

The members discussed the Three Year Plan and asked questions.

It was moved by Franco Mazzariello, seconded by Francesco Fortugno that the Three Year Plan be accepted as presented.

Vote: 33-0-2

Motion Carried

6.4 CPC LOGO

The item was tabled.

6.5 END OF CYCLE EXAMS

There was a question with who sets the dates for the end of cycle exams. Ms. Matheson informed the members that the Ministry sets the dates.

6.6 FUSION JEUNESSE

Ms. Matheson informed the members that schools can take part in the fusion and that the projects vary. University students are hired as mentors to the students. If your school is interested, parents should speak to the principal who can contact Fusion Jeunesse.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

7A REGIONAL COMMITTEES REPORTS

West: had a productive discussion and school reports.

East: meeting is scheduled for May 15th.

7B PARENT COMMISSIONER REPORT

Topics discussed were the consultations, Robo Cup International and presentations to schools.

7C TREASURERS REPORT

There is a balance of \$5, 633.01

7D EPCA REPORT

The next meeting is May13th. EPCA has launched an online petition for the History Course.

8. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

8A. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

See written report from Joseph Bondi.

8B. EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE

Topics discussed were; Finance course for Sec V, exam schedule and report cards, laptop replacement plans, vocational Education, new schools to have the STEAM program next year, sports concentration.

8C. FINANCE COMMITTEE

See written report from Hannu Jailos for February meeting.

8D. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADULT EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL SERVICES (AEVS)

Topics discussed were: No UPAC investigation, an auditor came and there are no red flags, in August a new facility for welding and auto mechanics will open in RDP, request from Shadd for new programs in nursing and pharmaceutical, looking at more space at Laurier Macdonald.

8E. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES (ACSES)

The meeting is scheduled for May 29th.

8F. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

The meeting was cancelled.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 LETTER TO GB AND PRINCIPALS BASED ON INTERNAL RULES

The chair explained that the letters were not meant to be critical but rather to let GB's know and it was something the executive was doing to follow the internal rules.

10. VARIA

For the June meeting if possible there will be a separate room for the meeting before the dinner at Pius and it will start at 6:30 pm.

Jason Trudeau asked that parents start the conversation with their kids about fentanyl that is making its way to Montreal. He has seen the effects and this is very important.

11. SECOND QUESTION PERIOD

Lauren Small-Pennefather, GB Chair, Edinburgh thanked the committee and expressed to them that she is aware that this process is important and thanked them for deciding to go to one committee and she would bring this back to her governing board.

12. DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

June 1, 2017 @ 6:30 pm @ St. Pius X Culinary Institute.

DATE OF NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

TBD @ 7:30 pm @ Administration Building.

13. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Sophie Antippa, seconded by Joseph Bondi and resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 pm.

Vote: 35-0-0

Motion Carried

Suzanne de Jonge
Chair

Brigida Sellato
Communications Consultant/Secretary

Education Committee Report

For: Education Committee Meeting April 12, 2017

Submitted to: Central Parents Committee on May 2, 2017

1. Presentation by B.A.S.E. Daycare program was given by Rosa Fuoco, Daycare Services Manager, Jennifer De Freitas, Project Development Officer & Melina Trimarchi, Extracurricular Activities Advisor, detailing the following topics;
 - Overview of the B.A.S.E. Daycare Program's six educational cores;
 - i. An overview of the extracurricular activities that the B.A.S.E. Program offers children before and after school
 - Explain the My Daycare is Physically Active project;
 - i. A two-year project that mobilizes daycare educators to increase the amount of time children spend engaged in moderate-to-vigorous physical activity.
 - Explain B.A.S.E.'s Play it Fair! (PIF) initiatives;
 - i. A human rights education program that supports children's healthy social, emotional and physical development by promoting positive values through active play.
 - ii. EMSB is the only School Board PIF Champion. All other PIF Champions are from recreational community centres and services.
 - Explain B.A.S.E.'s commitment to environmental education.
 - i. An initiative that promotes a holistic approach to a healthy and sustainable future.
2. Discussion was held regarding RoboCup International 2018 possible partnership with the EMSB. The RoboCup International Event will take place at the Palais des congrès de Montréal. The venue has been reserved for this International event from Friday, June 15th to Friday, June 22nd, 2018 (7 days). We expect to receive approximately 5000 participants, students and mentors, from 30 different countries. A resolution for "Request to EMSB Council of Commissioners for Approval of Partnership with RoboCup International 2018 " was made.
3. Information was provided by ETS, Director A. Furfaro, regarding Home Schooling Update.
4. Information was provided regarding a proposed draft examination schedule for Elementary schools - May-June 2017 for End-of-Cycle 1, 2, & 3.
5. Information was provided regarding a proposed draft examination schedule for High schools - May-June 2017.
6. Information session was held regarding the MUSIC SURVEY 2016-17: Programs, Inventory, Professional Development & Vision, for the Music Literacy Initiative.

7. Information session was held regarding Phase 2 EMSB Web Site and School Web Site Redesign
 - This phase comprised the implementation of three of the EMSB web sites using the designs and concepts that had been completed in phase I of the project. The bid for Phase II came in under the budget. The work on Phase II began the week of February 6th with an EMSB and Agility project team conference call to establish the project milestones and resource needs.

Submitted by:

Joseph Bondi, CPC Observer

**Report to the Central Parents Committee on May 4, 2017
Finance Committee Meeting April 12, 2017**

The Committee approved the following items and recommended their approval by Council:

1. Operating Budget Update
 - a. April update from AEVS added \$1.7 million
 - b. Approved \$600,000 increase to school painting budget (12 elementary schools)
 - c. Deficit now \$1.0 million or \$0.9M better than the acceptable deficit
2. Approval to spend \$500,000 for safety, \$400,000 for repairs
3. Approval to increase AEVS honorariums & commissions by \$1.5 million due to increased enrolment and offset by the increased revenues
4. Budget Transfers and Increases:
 - a. \$30.5K transfer to CIB beautification projects from the reserve budget (Carlyle, Pierre Elliott Trudeau, Roslyn, St. Monica)

Potentially have \$2.0 million left in the teacher envelope (to be confirmed)

- b. Could add teachers where needed
- c. Some other ideas discussed
- d. Need to determine surplus earlier so can act on it before year-end

Rollovers from the 2015-2016 school year to 2016-2017 dropped by \$1.2 million compared to the previous year (\$0.91 million at schools, \$0.25 centrally)

A listing of all cheques and payments over \$5000 from January 1 to March 31, 2017 was provided. Questions to previous cheque and payment listings were answered.

Respectfully submitted,
Hannu Jailos, CPC Observer
Also on behalf of Sophie Antippa, CPC Observer