



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CENTRAL PARENTS' COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE LAURENCE PATERSON ROOM OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 6000 FIELDING
AVE., MONTREAL ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.**

CENTRAL PARENTS COMMITTEE MEMBERS DELEGATES/ALTERNATES

Bancroft	Stephanie Keating	Laurier Macdonald	Isabelle Baas
Carlyle	Serena Caplette	Leonardo da Vinci	Tony Speranza
Cedarcrest	Raymond Ayas	Lester B Pearson Alt.	Joe Biunno
Dalkeith	Marietta Damiano	MIND	Francine Cytrynbaum
Dante	Joseph Varga	Michelangelo	Pietro Mercuri
Dunrae Gardens	Joseph Bondi	Nesbitt	Alirio Ferreira
East Hill	Adrienne Taylor	Our Lady of Pompei	Anthony Cristofaro
Edinburgh	Caroline Phaneuf	Parkdale	Caleigh Saucier
Edward Murphy	Nadia Riley	Pierre de Coubertin Alt.	Steven Assaf
Elizabeth Ballantyne	Maria Orjuela	Pierre E. Trudeau	Marie-Helene Bedard
Gardenview	Daniel Tatone	Royal Vale	Mark Ellenbogen
General Vanier	Jason Trudeau	Royal West	Norm Gharibian
Gerald McShane	Franco Mazzariello	Sinclair Laird	Amanda Liste
Hampstead	Katherine Korakakis	St. Monica	Andrew Ross
Honore Mercier	Joseph Di Liello	Vincent Massey Alt.	Mario Pietrangelo
James Lyng	Shoshanna Ruttner	Westmount Park	Sophie Antippa
John Caboto	Sonia Pecora	Westmount	Antonio Crespo
John Grant	Sabrina Lawrence	Willingdon	Lucas Reindler
LINKS	Samantha Dudok		

REGRETS/ABSENT

n/a	ACES
Coronation	Ravi Kiran Singh Chevan
FACE	Alyssa Kuzmarov
John F. Kennedy	Johnny Leoci
John Paul I	Sophie De Vito
Laurenhill	Melvin Shantz
Lester B Pearson	Benny Berneti
Mackay	Joanne Charron
Marymount	Sherlyn Figueira
Merton	Michael Gonshor
Philip E. Layton	Fatima Qureshi
Pierre de Coubertin	Brunella Fata
Rosemount	Costa Carrara
Roslyn	Catherine Forbes
St. Dorothy	Milan Cardone
St. Gabriel	Mubeenah Mugal
St. Raphael	Tanya Fabrizi
Vincent Massey	Robert Soroka

ALSO PRESENT:

Angela Mancini, Chairman, ESMB
Ann Marie Matheson, Director General
Evelyn Alfonsi, Deputy Director General, Education
Benoît Dûheme, Deputy Director General, Administration
Pela Nickoletopoulos, Regional Director, West Sector
John Pevec, Regional Director, East Sector
Sandra Furfaro, Director, Educational Services
Brigida Sellato, Communications Consultant
Joanna Peters, GB Parent, John F. Kennedy

GUESTS:

Gil Abisdri, Co-ordinator, Educational Services
Tracey Mangal, Consultant, Educational Services
Tony Lacroce, Independent Consultant Strategic Planning
Sam Boskey, Independent Consultant Strategic Planning

1. WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS (1 MIN)

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 pm. following the presentation on the EMSB annual report.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (1 MIN)

It was moved by Norm Gharibian, seconded by Amanda Liste and resolved that the agenda be accepted with the following addition;

5.3 Sex Education Program

Vote: 34-0-0 (M. Orjuela, J. Trudeau, J. Varga not present)

Motion Carried

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 7, 2017 (2 MIN)

It was moved by Caleigh Saucier, seconded by Norm Gharibian and resolved that the minutes be adopted with minor corrections to the attendance.

Vote: 34-0-0 (M. Orjuela, J. Trudeau, J. Varga not present)

Motion Carried

7:21 pm M. Orjuela arrived

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 EPCA- QUESTIONS THAT WERE ASKED BY DELEGATES

The EPCA CPC delegates (Katherine Korakakis and Isabeele Baas) advised members on the survey task force that was sent out with the agenda tonight. This survey is done every couple of years to look at the relevance of school boards.

7:26 pm. J. Trudeau arrived

The members then spoke to the previous survey on the school fees. The delegates brought the members concerns to the meeting. They have another meeting in the coming week and will bring these concerns to the committee.

Pietro Mercuri would like noted that EPCA be accountable for informing their members and bring their representation to task.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 EPCA – TASK FORCE CONSULTATION

Item was dealt with in item 4.1.

7:47 pm J. Varga Arrived

The chair asked to deal with item 5.3 before the commitment to success plan presentation.

5.3 SEX EDUCATION COURSE

Questions about how the EMSB will handle the concerns and objections from parents and about religious exemptions.

Ann Marie Matheson will bring back the answers to these questions at the February or March meeting.

8:45 pm A. Crespo left

5.2 COMMITMENT TO SUCCESS PLAN

Tony Lacroce, Sam Boskey, Gil Abrisdris and Tracey Mangal presented to the members the outline for the commitment to success plan that the Board will be composing in order to follow Bill 105.

The members were divided into working groups and gave their input to the plan as to what they would like to see in it based on three criteria. (see slide attached)

Tony Lacroce asked the members if he could return in February to give them an update.

9:26 pm L. Reindler left

6. DATE OF MEETING NEXT REGULAR

6.1 REGULAR MEETING

Next meeting is on Thursday February 1st at 7:00 pm at the Administration Building.

Jason Trudeau advised the members that Lew Lewis from Student Services would be giving a presentation to the CPC in February on the Student Services Department with updates on the special needs community.

6.2 EXECUTIVE MEETING

To be Determined.

7. SECOND QUESTION PERIOD (8 MIN)

There were no questions.

8. ADJOURNMENT (1 MIN)

It was moved by Joseph Bondi, seconded by Andrew Ross, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:36 pm.

Vote: 35-0-0

Motion Carried

Sonia Pecora
Chairperson

Brigida Sellato
Consultant/Secretary

Parents:

What challenges do you think the school board with its schools and centres will face in upcoming years?

As a parent, what expectations do I have of the school board and of the school for my child's educational success?

Taking into account the achievements of the Partnership Agreement, and in light of the MEES objective as stated in the Policy on Educational Success, what other objective(s) would you like to see included or continued in the school board's Commitment to Success Plan?

Advisory Board on English Education

Why have English schools?

What is their value to the local community and to Québec society at large?

How can English schools support their communities and vice versa?

What does community control and ownership of schools mean to you? Could it be expanded?

How should the effects of declining enrollment be addressed?

Can parents be advocates for their local English school? How?

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