

École Gerald McShane School

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GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, October 10th 7:00PM

MINUTES - MEETING #1- in person

Present:

David Lee, Maria Di Fulvio, Francesca Pitruzzello, Isabel Deganutto, Kimberly Ianetta, Angie Iadinardi, Andy Lee, Tony Petosa, David Reda, Sandra Renzi, Elisa Baronello, Sonia D'Addario, Clementina Fraga, Christina Gioia, Karine Gomes, Pammy Lacroce, Silva Muzzo, Paola Naccarello

Absent: Mario Tromba (alternate), Rosie Carpetti (alternate), Enza Ciampanelli (alternate), Sophie DeVito

Guests: Nathalie Carrier (alternate)

1. Call to order 7:04pm– Welcome and Introductions Natalie Carrier replacing permanent member until they arrive. Isabel D arrived 7:25pm

2. Adoption of Agenda: Clementina/Maria D

3. Adoption of Governing Board minutes of May 31st : Karine/Nat and June 14th: Maria/Clementina

4. Business arising from minutes

- PPO-Would like to see Budget Earned/Spent.1st meeting of 2023-Sent PPO email was presented at 1st PPO meeting on October 5th
- Sewer issue Taken care of Put in a maintenance request during water inundation
- Sewer pipe issue resolved

5. Elections

GB Chairperson

Maria Nominated by Francesca. Accepted. Cristina cease nomination

Angie Nominated Francesca. Refused. Congrats to Maria Di Fulvio

Vice-Chairperson - Tony & Maria nominate Francesca. Accepted. Acclamation. Congratulations Francesca!

Treasurer - David Reda self nominated. Congratulations David.

Secretary: Francesca self nominated. Accepted. Congratulations Francesca

6. New Business

6.1 Adoption: Rules of conduct for GB (D. Lee) Adopted by: Sonia D second by Angie I

6.2 Approval: GB meetings format for 2023-2024 (D. Lee) resolution moved by Clementina/second Karine

6.3 Approval: Proposed GB meeting dates for 2023-2024 (D. Lee) Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 16, Feb 13, March 12, Apr 9, May 14, June 18 (in person) Moved Andy L, second Kim I

6.4 Adoption: 2022-2023 Annual Report (Ms. F. Pitruzzello) moved David R, second Sandra R

6.5 Adoption: 2022-2023 GB Financial report (D. Lee-attached) move: Sonia Second Sandra R





6.6 Approval: PELO for 2023-2024 (D. Lee) will have 2 groups (Junior/Senior) beginning Oct 24th (Tues/Thurs at lunch-Rosa Accocello) Move Clementina , Second Kim I

6.7 Approval: Blanket approval for day trips and outing 1km or less (D. Lee) (school/daycare) moved by Tony P, second Andy L

6.8 Approval: Blanket approval for school and PPO fundraisers (D. Lee) resolution withdrawn

6.9 Approval: After school ECAs (D. Lee) Approval Bootcamp Grades 2-6 Oct 24, Nov 7, 14,21,28 Dec 5/12/19 \$104/8weeks,

Kidscience Robotics&Chemistry Fridays (PK-Grade 6)..Oct 20/27, Nov 3/10/17, Dec 1/15/22 Cost \$120/8 week

Yoga (Mondays or Wednesdays), Grades 1-6 - \$60/5 weeks once a week.

Move Clementina, Second Tony P

6.10 Approval: Daycare handbook for 2023-2024 (Clementina) Move Sandra second Angie

6.11 Use of Fund 3 (PPO budget) for Halloween - up to \$1000 (D. Lee) Move: Angle second Karine

6.12 Approval: Cycle 3 Winter Camp to Jouvence (Ms. C. Gioia) Dec 18-20, school covers 50% parents to pay \$90 or less depending on fundraiser Moved by Clementina, Second Angie

7. Reports

7.1 Commissioner : sends regrets

7.2 Chairperson : no report

7.3. Principal

Our school had a very busy month of Septembers. Our activities included:

- We had a successful first day of school entry on August 30, with pre-school students beginning their progressive entry appointments.
- The first full day of school of pre-school on September6 was also a successful one.
- We endured a heat wave the week of September 4, ending the week with an ice cream sandwich day on September 8.
- We had a great turn-out for curriculum evening/meet-the teacher on September 14. The AGA was also very successful, with 12 candidates on the GB ballot to fill 5 parent positions.
- Our breakfast program started September 18.
- We had a very smooth picture day on September 18. The retakes and sibling photos are October 24.
- We had a very successful Welcome Back family event on September 22. Some adjustments will be made for next year based on staff and parent feedback.
- Cycle 3 was lucky to have a beautiful day for the fall hiking trip at Mont-Saint Hilaire on September 25.
- Attestation day was a huge success on September 29. We had a 98% attendance rate, translating to only 5 students absent on this day.
- September 29 was a also a beautiful day for Orange Shirt Day and our school's first Every Child Matters march around the block to show our support and honor the victims and survivors of residential schools.
- This year, we are opening a new Student Success Centre, where students targeted to receive more intensive individualized support from tutors can go during their scheduled class times.
- We have a large enthusiastic groups of grade 4-6 students this year who joined student council. We meet once a month to plan out activities.



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- On September 22, we partnered with Skip The Dishes, who provided students and staff with a special lunch with pizza from Lafayette Pizzeria. Skip plans to have a monthly lunch for our school for this school year. Their goal is to put smiles on the faces of students from inner city schools across the city of Montreal.
- Our open house ad has been placed on the electronic billboard of L'Intermarché Lagoria on Maurice-Duplessis and will stay up until October 18's Open House night.
- Update: fences have been repaired. Material resources will be replacing some components of the daycare door, including the panic bar.
- Kathay Vella will be moving on to another career opportunity as of October 16. Her last day is October 12. We thank Kathy for all years of dedicated service to Gerald McShane.

Note: Francesca asks to extend meeting by 15 min Approved: Karine/Kim

7.4 Teachers

Karine: Thanks to Mr. Lee for hiking trip, soccer play date for Grade 5 went well, Volleyball playdate in November, Surpassed goal for Terry Fox Run \$4300 wow

Cristina: Halloween joint writing project, Real Estate agent coming to speak, French descriptive writing of character

Miss Muzzo: Grade 3 eased in routine doing well, Grade 4 ready, descriptive writing.

Miss Pammy: Preschool kids settling in, play at cultural center K4.K5 grade 1, Pet Therapy K4, Grade 6 bus monitors (leadership), Grade 6 help little ones during lunchtime on rotation

7.5 Daycare

Friday Pumpkin decorating 41 students, Nov 1st PJ Day..maybe meal, Nov 23rd Skating, Nov 24th Movie at Marche Centrale (Trolls), Dec 8th Workshop with Spark learning through play.

Started gardening as well. Will start 1st Latin dancing (Latin Groove for 8 weeks)

7.6 Sports Concentration

Started 7th year, 2 classes grades 3/4 Grades 5/6 ...adjusting well. Getting ready for Open House with partners.

Dec 8th sports Play date..will invite families from other schools

7.7 PPO Fundraiser for breakfast with Santa. Will come forward with ideas and get GB approval

7.8 EMSBPC - Andy Lee, alternate David Reda. Meetings 1st Thursday of every month (Oct 12th 1st meeting)

8. Varia

8.1 PPO poinsettia sale towards Holiday breakfast moved by: Pammy, Second by Clementina



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9. Question Period

Snow removal question

10. Adjournment: 8:55pm Karine/Paola Naccarello

Date of next meeting: November 7th – Teams virtual

David Lee, Principal

Maria Di Fulvio, Governing Board Chair