

École secondaire LESTER B. PEARSON High School 11575 rue P.M. Favier, Montréal (Québec) H1G 6E5

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Governing Board Minutes - May 21, 2019

PRESENT:

Assunta Caruso
Chiara Petrocco
Casey Gagne
Clorinda Antonacci
Franco Mazzariello
Tiana Pomponi
Catherine Clarabut
Marco Fiore

arrives)
Rosanna Verrillo (arrived at 7:30)

Marisa Papillo
Liliana Zarlenga
Benny Berneti
Lyne Lacourse
Joe Biunno
Luigi Garofalo
Sandra Greco

Patricia Gaudio (alternate until Rosanna Verrillo

Paul Karpontinis

1. Welcome

Benny Berneti welcomed and thanked everyone for being present

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Sandra Greco moved to adopt the agenda seconded by Paul Karpontinis. All in favor.

Correction to be made: Principal report should read: school fees in lieu of school calendar

3. Adoption of the Governing Board Minutes of March 26, 2019.

Casey Gagné moved to adopt the minutes and it was seconded by Patricia Gaudio All in favor

4. New Business

n/a

5. Reports

5.1 Principal

- School Calendar 2019-2020 Approved by Luigi Garofalo seconded by Mr. Casey Gagné. All in favor.
- Agenda Pages Approved by Luigi Garofalo and seconded by Lily Zarlenga. All in favor.
- Safe School Action Plan Approved by Mr. Casey Gagné and seconded by Joe Biunno. All in favor.
- School Fees Approved by Mr. Casey Gagné and seconded by Patricia Gaudio. All in favor.
- Projected Budget Approved Joe Biunno seconded by Franco Mazzariello. All in favor.
- Europe trip: a bid has been excepted and trip is a go ahead
- Toronto/Chicago/Niagara trip: bid has been excepted and the trip is a go ahead
- La Ronde is scheduled for May 31, 2019. 8 Buses.
- GSA's The Closet Event (Information Item): Schedule on June 3, 2019
- End of year Treats: ice-cream for all students and cookie for HR and Principal's Award to reward the students the day they pick up term 3 report card
- Population Update (Information Item):
 - Projected population is 992 students
- Dismissal of students after locker clean-up: Approved by Clorinda Antonacci and seconded by Sandra Greco. All in favor.
- Carwash Student council: June 2nd and July 13th
- Dismissal of Sec. 5 after Grad Breakfast Approved by Casey Gagné and seconded by Sandra Greco. All in favor. June 4th, 2019 12:30
- Permission to allow June 5-6-7 to run like exam days Approved by Lyne Lacourse and seconded by Joe Biunno. All in favor.
- Sports Awards: (Information Item) June 3rd after school ceremony followed by a few snacks
- WORK IN AND AROUND THE SCHOOL: (information Item)
 - -Parking lots will be redone, the Dijon lot will be reconfigured to accept deliveries since Dijon will be closed to traffic sometime in the near future. ON HOLD
 - -Field to be redone as part of the Soverdi-City of Montreal North Initiative. (ON HOLD)
 - -This includes basketball nets near the school building, soccer field, other stations for exercise equipment, greenery to be planted. (ON HOLD)

Work done in the building/ what will be done: Yoga room got a face lift, study hall (removal of a changed area and created a smaller room...TBD Dance room, condemning sinks, building walls and creating a changing area

• Two (2) Security Guard have been hired for the last few weeks of school to ensure the safety of all

students, staff and administration.

o Benny Berneti motioned to have the security guards. 13 in favor and 1 abstention. (electronic vote)

5.2 Commissioner

The commissioner was not present, therefore there was no report.

5.3 Chair/Regional Delegate's Report

Report was given

5.4 Treasurer/Secretary

There was nothing to report.

5.5 Student Council

Easter Activities: During the week of Easter, Student Council members animated different Easter themed lunch activities such as an Easter, Easter crafts & egg hunt and Easter decorations.

Dance: May 10th was council's last dance of the year. We had a total of 170 students. It was a very successful night.

<u>Seedlings:</u> The seeds have sprouted into plants and are ready to be sold. After weeks of planting, reporting and watering we're going to be holding our annual seedling sale this Thursday and Friday. Veggies are sold for 3\$ or 4 for 10\$ and herbs are sold for 2\$ or 3 for 5\$. We have plants such like tomatoes, Asian spinach and some herbs like basil, cilantro and much more.

<u>Tape a teacher:</u> Council hosted its annual Tape a Teacher event during lunch last Thursday in order to raise money for our Me to We pillar. Our goal is to help build a school in Ethiopia. We raised a total of 175\$. Our Total is now close to 3000\$

Top marks fittings: Some council members had the opportunity to help at the top marks fitting for next year's uniforms. They gave a lending hand to parents and workers during the night.

<u>New applications:</u> Students have already started handing in their application forms for next year's student council 2019-2020. It looks very promising. Interviews for executive positions are in process of being scheduled.

<u>Canvases:</u> Student council members painted two canvases embodying resilience for mental health week. They also gave the chance for other students to write their own inspirational quotes on them.

<u>Mural:</u> Last week the mural committee started planning and priming the walls for new murals around our school. They decided to repaint the wall in the guidance counselor area and paint the door for the resource room.

Denim day: This year's denim day was held on May 14th. In all we raised a total of 961\$.

<u>Links:</u> 10 secondary 5 students have been working with the child's links with adults' networks program throughout the year. They are going into their last class visits as they celebrated the ending of the year by going to elevation.

<u>Grad brunch:</u> June 4th is class of 2019's graduation brunch. It is being planned by council members as invitations will be sent out this week.

<u>Council car washes:</u> Two car washes will be held this summer in order to raise money for council's camp retreat in august. The first one will take place on June 2nd from 9am to 5pm at the Canadian Tire

in Montreal-Nord. The second car wash July 13th at the Canadian tire in RDP.

<u>August camp:</u> Next year's council members will be attending a student council camp retreat on August 22-23. Here they will play activities with Dynamix learning leadership skills and create many bonds.

<u>Petition:</u> If you haven't already been aware, a secondary three student started a petition to keep LBP in Montreal-Nord. It has gotten lose to 3000 votes as we encourage you to sign it if you'd please.

<u>Lunch meeting:</u> On Friday May 24, council executives will be meeting with the MHA from Bourassa Sauve during lunch to discuss things about our school.

5.6 Teachers

- Terry Fox committee would like to thank everyone for their contribution. We raised over \$18,000.00.
- After news through the media Staff has passed a motion to have Lester B. Pearson High School remain in Montreal-North.

5.7 Sports Études Program

We are pleased to announce that we have four (4) students who have achieved awards in the sports of their choice.

5.8 Guidance Initiatives

N/A

6. Varia

Parents brought up concerns regarding news floating through the media of a possible swap between Lester B. Pearson high School and Jean Grou high School. Parent present were not in favor of this at all and would like Lester B. Pearson high school to remain in the Montreal-North community.

7. Next Meeting

June 13, 2019 at 6:30

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm

Approved by Casey Gagne, seconded by Sandra Greco. All were in favor

Assunta Caruso – Interim Principal

Benny Berneti - Chairperson