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ROSLYN GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES

**Thursday, April 23rd, 2020
6:00PM-7:12PM**

Attendance: Shannon Hurtubise, Julia Carbone, Geraldine Gras, Melanie Fernandes, Anabel Fournier, Leslie Symansky, Ysanne Zmanay, Morgan Steacy, Julie Gennesseaux, Jude Samson, Marie-Helene Navara, Jennifer Maxwell, Laura Fundaro, Joanna Genovezos, Annie-Claude

1. Public Questions or Comments (5 Mins)

- No questions / comments

2. Adoption of the Agenda (D) (5 Mins)

- No additions made to the agenda.

- Ysanne moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Julie, all in favor

3. Adoption of the minutes of April 23rd, 2020 (D) (10 Mins)

- Correction of the minutes from April 23rd 2020.

- Jude moved to adopt the minutes, seconded by Marie-Hélène, all in favor.

4. Reports (I):

4.1. RGB Chair (15 Mins)

- Not much to report. Most communications from the board have focused on the current context with COVID 19.

- An email was forwarded from the EMSB recognizing the volunteers and their hard work in our schools.

4.2. Principal and VP (30 Mins)

4.2.1. Principal

- COVID 19: We are currently in Legault's second phase of measures to put in place for our students. Phase 1 consisted of no teacher involvement and websites being shared. The second phase involves toolkits being edited and sent home by teachers once a week.

- Gratitude: Joanna wants to thank the Roslyn community for the generous donations that have been made by parents of our community to support our families in need with

their groceries during this difficult time.

- The agenda and uniform orders have been stalled because the suppliers are not currently working due to COVID 19.
- Code of conduct: The Code of conduct team will be meeting in the upcoming weeks to finalize the Code of conduct. It had to be put aside until May due to the current context.
- Government changes affecting our school: The government is no longer recognizing student codes as of September 2020. Our student population is renewed with 650 for the 2020-2021 school year. However, we will be losing four classes: one grade 1 class, one grade 2 class, one grade 4 class and one grade 6 class. A grade 1/2 split class and grade 4/6 split class will be added.
There will be a greater number of students in each class next year. The students' needs will only get bigger but there will be less hands to offer support.
- Construction in school: All the repairs have been completed on the roof and in the gymnasium.

4.2.2. Vice-principal

- Field trips: All school trips have been cancelled for the remainder of the school year. The grade 6 graduation alternative date/event is being discussed for next year.
- The school agenda: Laura has received three quotes and will be reviewing them.
- The school calendar: In addition to the fixed PED days assigned by the school board (October 16th, October 19th, November 13th, February 15th and March 26th), five Roslyn PED days were added to the calendar. The Roslyn PED days for the 2020-2021 school year are November 26th, November 27th, January 4th, February 1st and May 14th. There are also two removeable PED days (Snow days) on February 26th and April 23rd.
- Anabel motioned to approve the calendar for the 2020-2021 school year, seconded by Julia, all in favor.
- Empathy workshops: The empathy workshops have been cancelled for this school year. However, we remain a priority and will be working with them next year. The workshops are offered by "Ensemble pour la diversité" for grades 4 to 6.

5. HandS

Leslie present to represent HANDS

- Pizza lunches and activities that were cancelled due to COVID 19: The HANDS members are trying to come up with a plan regarding all the cancelled activities and pizza lunches. The options that could be available to parents would be a refund, a credit for the following school year or a donation on their part. The objective would be crediting as oppose to refunding. However, that could not be applied to the grade 6 students. HANDS is waiting on more news regarding the re-opening of schools before a decision is made.
- If we reopen in two weeks: Lunch time activities would be cancelled but after-school activities would continue to run if permitted. Pizza lunch would be cancelled for the remainder of the school year. The health room volunteers don't feel comfortable coming back in May or in the Fall. It was agreed that the health room situation will need to be looked into for next year as it will be essential if we re-open.
- Parents in need fund: A message was sent out to the Roslyn community about some parents

being in need during these trying times. The response was very positive. HANDS is looking into having a fund for “family emergencies” next year, Leslie is currently doing some research so it could be put in place at Roslyn.

6. Regional Delegate (5 Mins)

- Daniele has stepped down so we currently do not have a regional delegate.

Shannon will be reaching out to Brigida to find out whether another regional delegate must be named or if we can continue without a regional delegate. The regional delegate needs to be a parent, member of the governing board.

- Morgan Stacey has offered to replace Tina and has sent his information to the EMSB.

7. Community Representatives (20 Mins)

- Tyndale: There is not much to report other than the Tyndale is closed. The tentative start-up date is planned for May 4th. It is still unsure whether the summer camp program will be able to open this summer.

- YMCA: Although most of YMCA centers are closed, Marie-Hélène is still working in those open because they have a CPA. The reopening of YMCAs is planned for May 4th however the government will only be sharing a reopening plan in the upcoming week. Despite having received no guidelines yet, the YMCA is hiring staff for summers camps in the event they do open. Marie-Hélène reports that this situation has been very difficult for many parents in the community.

8. Good and Welfare (5 Mins)

- Families in need (see point 5. Hands).

- Marie-Helene questioned whether schools had received any news concerning computers being handed out to students as mentioned by the Ministry of Education. For now, the schoolboard has asked teachers to collect data regarding students’ access to technology. For now, we are not allowed to distribute computers and tablets available at school just yet.

- Shannon brought up the idea of fundraising used computers, tablets and phones to support students’ access to technology during and post COVID, starting in the fall. Jude mentioned that a lot of the online resources being sent home required a great amount of printing. Therefore, those could also be fundraised for Roslyn households in need.

9. Questions Arising (10 Mins)

- Specialists for next year: Due to class sizes being cut down, specialists times were also reduced. There will be a full time Technology teacher, a full time Music teacher, a Science teacher (75% - all grades except kindergarten) and a Drama teacher (25% for the kindergarten and grade 1 students). Since there will be extra rooms in the building, the Music teacher will most likely have their own classroom instead of travelling between classes.

Next meetings will be held ... May 14th 2020* * Moved to June 11th 2020

The meeting ended at 7:12 pm.

CODES:

D- Governing Board has the power to decide without necessarily receiving a proposal,

AD- Governing Board has the power to change, adapt, add or remove one or more elements of a proposal submitted by the Principal.

AP- Governing Board has the power to either accept or reject a proposal as submitted, without the possibility of making changes. If rejected, a new proposal must be submitted for approval before implementation.

C- Governing Board is consulted on a matter and may influence the final decision

I- Governing Board is provided information regarding a decision made by the Principal