



École Pierre Elliott Trudeau School
GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA
Feb 7, 2022 @ 7:00PM
Virtual via Teams

Minutes taken by Geoff Nairn, Daniel Tatone

Participants

PRESENT: (13 total / 12 (of 14) voting members present / 0 guests)

Voting members

Parents: Daniel Tatone, Christi Milsom, Jasmin Legatos, Geoff Nairn, Evelyn Tsang

Teachers: Mary Carone, Michael L'Altrella, Dina Simec, Leanna Verrillo, Carissa Valente

Other staff: Mara Filippone (daycare), Maria Depalma-Nitti (support)
(Support and daycare)

Non-voting members

Principal: Tanya Alvares

Com. reps:

Commissioner:

Guests: none

ABSENT: Jan, Darcia, Jonathan Marcanio (comm. Rep) , Agostino Cannavino

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by D. Tatone at 7:12 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

D. Simec motioned to adopt the agenda, seconded by C. Milsom, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote: 12-0-0

3. Approval of Minutes (November 2022)

E. Tsang motioned to approve December 2022 GB minutes, seconded by C. Valente, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote: 12-0-0

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 GB Community Member #2

D. Tatone reached out to a CLSC and a local bookstore but to no avail. E. Tsang talked to a coffee shop on the corner of Belanger and Cartier. G. Nairn read page 1.5 of the governing board handbook to refresh our memory about the point of having community representatives.

5. Question Period

5.1 Correspondence

T. Alvares and D. Tatone addressed concerns about the mTransport program and March break dates. The conflicting dates between the school boards appears to be due to a change made by CDSM. The issue has been raised at Council and efforts are being made to prevent this in the future.

6. New Business

6.1 Principal Criteria

(T. Alvares has left the meeting.). GB discussed the purpose of the document, green initiatives, learning difficulties, and added specifics to the communication skills.

[See updated Document]

6.2 ACGC Planning

T. Alvares explained the purpose of ACGC (Academic and Career Guidance Context) for grades 5 and 6.

M. Carone motioned to approve the ACGC Planning document, seconded by M.

L'Altrella, motion unanimously resolved and the form was filled out by D. Tatone.

[See updated Document]

Vote:12-0-0

6.3 Safe School Action Plan

The school surveys grade 5 and 6 students every year on a wide variety of kid topics. The last survey was done in 2018-2019. T. Alvares explained the plan is to address various challenges facing students including bullying, anxiety, racism, etc.. Minor spelling errors were corrected. Survey results will be available.

L. Verrillo motions to approve the Safe School Action Plan document, seconded by M. Carone, motion unanimously resolved.

[See updated Document]

Vote:12-0-0

7. Reports

7.1 EMS Parent's Committee Report

D. Tatone announced there will be parent conference workshops at the end of May and explained a few of the presentations that took place at the last meeting.

7.2 Commissioner's Report

A. Cannavino was absent.

7.2 Treasurer's Report

No update

7.4 Principal's Report

T. Alvares reviewed recent events. The open house was a big success. Staff is focused on report cards. Spring and the end of year are just around the corner.

7.5 Teacher's Report

M. L'Altrella reported on Black History Month and the spiritual animator. A virtual presentation called "Tracking Black Canada" was described to GB

M. Carone asks for approval for: Grade 5 music outing (May 24), robotics competition (February 17), K4/5 Funtropolis outing, K4/5 nature outing (April 4):

- L.Verrillo motions to approve a grade 5 music outing for 42 students and 5 staff to Parc Frederic May 24, 8:45-11:45 am on public transport, outing is paid by school, seconded by C. Milsom, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous

- C. Milsom motioned to approve robotics competition outing to Laval February 17, 8:30 am-2:30 pm by bus, seconded by M. L'Altrella, motion motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous

- D. Tatone motioned to approve K4/5 outing to Funtropolis in Laval June 22, 8:45 am – 2:00 pm, GB will cover bussing (estimated \$1010.00) and parents will pay entry fees, seconded by G. Nairn, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous

- L. Verrillo motioned to approve K4/5 outing to Parc Nature de Point-Aux-Prairies April 4, 8:30 am– 2:15 pm, outing fee cover by school, covering bussing costs (\$1195.74), seconded by M. L'Altrella, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous

- D. Tatone motioned to approve \$1,500.00 (PPO fund) to cover costs of gifts for kindergarten classes, seconded by C. Milsom, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous

C. Valente reported great success at the open house.

L. Verrillo reported on the upcoming preparations and ceremony for the 100th day of school.

7.6 PPO Report

E. Tsang reported on PPO conquests and victories and upcoming fundraisers.

E. Tsang motioned to approve Pizza Kit Fundraiser for March and April (\$20 per kit), seconded by D. Simec, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous

E. Tsang motioned to approve the spring basket fundraiser, raffle tickets \$3-10, and basket expenses of \$100.00, seconded by G. Nairn, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous.

E. Tsang motioned to approve the purchase of reusable plates for \$230.00, seconded by L. Verrillo, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous.

C. Milsom motioned to approve \$2,000.00 for staff appreciation week, for gift purchases, decorations, and meals, seconded by M. L'Altrella, motion unanimously resolved.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous.

7.7 Grad Committee

T. Alvares reported on hoodies, yearbook, fundraisers, graduation themes.

7.8 Green Committee Report

E. Tsang reported that breakfast with Santa event using reusable utensils went well. May be able to use some ideas from a PPO collaborator with links to Concordia's green program. Shannon, the green initiatives coordinator, will continue a multiplicity of projects including the installation of planter boxes for students to use. Many projects to restart in spring when students and regain access to outside stuff. The beehive may move, feasibility in question due to safety and access to boxes.

7.9 Daycare/Lunch Report

M. Filippone motions to approve Mad Science ped day on Jan 27, \$13.70 per child, seconded by M. Carone. Motion resolved with one abstention.

Vote:12-0-1

M. Filippone motions to approve PED day outing to Planetarium Feb. 15, \$28.70, seconded by M. Carone.

Vote:12-0-0 Unanimous.

8. Varia (2 minutes)

9. Date of Next Meeting – March 14

10. Adjournment

Vote: 12-0-0

Evote on PET motion for funds for a wall climbing installing

Mr Max, our Phys Ed Teacher, applied for a grant to have the wall installed. We were granted \$10,000!!!! Woohooo!! The cost of installing the climbing wall is \$14,026.95. I met with PPO members yesterday and they were in agreement of these funds to be used.

I am asking if the remaining cost of the wall climbing unit along with an extra \$500 to be allocated to buying more “prizes” (climbing units), meaning that a total of \$4500 be given from PPO funds to be used to pay for the remaining cost of the wall climbing unit with accessories.

Motion by Mary Carone, seconded by Leanna-Marie Verillo

Vote: 12-0-0 - Unanimous - Approved