

Willingdon Governing Board

Meeting

minutes

October 24, 2019

18h30, room 28 (Junior Campus)

Attendance: Lara Belinsky, Stavros Spetsieris, Carmen Nicolas, Eric Lamoureux, Maya Doughan, Aurora Flewwelling-Skup, Mark Ellinger, Monique Imbeau, Matt Follett, Marc Mueller, Kristin MacNeil (alternate parent member), Cynthia Quarrie, Nick Batzios, Kathleen Usher, Sally Burnett (Home and School), Tanya Sevicky (EDP), Gabriel Latino.

Guests: Candace Cartier, Jonathan Lambert, Benoit Bazinett.

Regrets: Lucas Reindler, Joseph Lalla, Cornelia Mandiou

I. Principal's Remarks/Welcome

II. Approval of the agenda

Nick moves the approval, Marc seconds it. Unanimous

III. Approval of minutes from September 26, 2019

Lara moves to approve the Agenda from September 26, Nick seconds it . Unanimous

IV. Business Arising

a. GAIN update

- Gain meeting scheduled for November 5th
- Mario Cardin has been contacted in regards to phase 2 of renovations.
- Work will be done in the summer of 2020.

Crawl space heating pipes insulation & ventilation	150,000
Masonry repairs	50,000
Roof replacement	250,000
Windows & replacement of the front entrance foot grills	400,000
Electrical upgrade	200,000
School yard, parking & landscaping upgrade	350,000
Gym floor & ceiling replacement, doors	200,000
Ceiling replacement	200,000
Washrooms renovation boys on main floor and girls washrooms upgrade (vanity)	50,000

b. Parents' Green Committee

- Benoit Bazinet (guest) gave a presentation
- Explanation on how the Parent's Green Committee came to be (began after Fun Fair 2019).
- Benoit suggested a Parent Committee to go along with school's Green Committee. Still in the preliminary stages. Informal meeting held on September 19th with Home and School members. Goal is to make a more sustainable mindset accessible to all Willingdon Community.
- The next step could possibly be a Green Advisory Board.
- Ribbon cutting at Senior Campus was a waste free event.
- Zero waste kit.
- **Marc moves approval of creation of parent Green Committee to be working with PAC and reporting to the Board. Aurora seconds. Unanimous**

c. Photography policy

- Mrs. Cartier would like to know more about policies in regards to photography of children.
- Carmen says there is no official policy but there is a protocol.
- Form is sent home and returned to school. Teachers have a list of names for students who should not be photographed and seen on Social Media.
- Some forms were sent in late therefore list was not updated.
- Teachers are in charge of preliminary cut for pictures, admin takes care of second.
- Many pictures shared on Class Dojo rather than Facebook. Attempt to limit pictures with faces showing.
- We must assume that everybody says no until they say yes.
- Maya, Carmen and Steve are currently working on Policy.
- General agreement for the tightening and creation of a photography policy.

- Once approved this policy will be accessible for parents.

d. Field Trips Approval

- Nick would like to have student choir perform at the children's hospital.
- December 3rd the Kids for Kids choir will be in the PK Subban atrium performing.
- Another field trip would be January 28th, the Montreal Symphony Orchestra (grade 6 students).
- Matt moves to approve field trips, Cynthia seconds. Unanimous

V. New Business

a. Procedures in case of power outages or other emergencies

- Procedure is that students are to remain in the classroom (in warm temperature). School Board must give the OK to shut school down and send children home.
- Security lights did not work, but had been inspected twice in the last year, these lights have a 30 minute battery life.
- IT department meeting upcoming.
- This dossier is the responsibility of the School Board (EMSB).
- Aurora suggests working with other NDG schools to figure out this issue \ discuss with EMSB.
- Awaiting news of meeting with EMSB.

b. Car-free zone

- Brought up by Matt who read an article about getting kids to walk to school. Car free zones occurring more and more in Germany.
- Less traffic, noise,
- Difficult to enforce this.

VI. Question period

No questions

VII. Reports

a. Principal

- Ribbon Cutting ceremony (waste free event).
- Senior Campus project has been a success.
- Open house has been postponed due to power outage.
- We were invited to daycare fair. Steve and 2 K teachers were there.
- Report Cards approaching
- Homeworking program will start soon.

Eric motions to add 30 minutes to meeting, Cynthia seconds.

b. Vice-Principal Junior Campus

- Fire drill number 2 was successful (under 2 minutes)
- HPV vaccinations on October 8th
- Distribution of progress reports.
- Visit to Orchard House , Little learners
- Photo days

c. Vice-Principal Senior Campus

- Fire drill also successful (under 2 minutes)
- Parents almost all added to portal.
- Photo day
- Mobile Tech labs ready to run
- Open House November 7th
- Home club every Wednesday at lunch, tutors coming from Marymount Academy

- Student lounge ready
- Rosetta Stone

d. Home and School

- Next meeting next Tuesday
- Movie Night at Senior Campus (37 pizzas) , huge success
- 1st Thoughtful Thursday collection
- Helped out with volunteers for Open House (afternoon).
- Photo Days success
- First Pizza Lunch Friday the 25th 2019.
- Halloween approaching. Volunteers needed for set up and clean up.
- Fundraiser for Family Emergency Fund
- Next month , Caroline's Toy Drive
- Book Fair November 20th

e. Teachers/MTA

- MTA entering latest rounds of negotiations. (Union T's)
- Halloween next week, all events at Junior Campus
- Terry Fox celebration today at Senior and tomorrow at Junior, huge fundraising success (over 16k)
- Kindergarten went to Quinn Farm, Grade 2s went Apple Picking, Grade 3s went to Arbraksa.
- December 13th, Kindergarten concert at Senior Campus, new format
- Resource teacher has been visiting the classrooms.
- Crossover event tomorrow, Grade 5 will work with Ks on engineering projects.
- Honey sale upcoming at P-T night

- Crayola marker recycling campaign
- Cross country race
- Grade 6 band , upcoming concerts , great music team, choir

f. EDP

- Office at senior campus almost all set up
- November 1st , horseback riding

g. PAC

- Looking forward to working with Parents Green Committee

h. EMSB Parents' Committee Representative

- Nothing yet

i. School Commissioner

- Joseph could not attend

VIII. Varia

IX. Adjournment

- Nick moves to adjourn.
- End of meeting at 8:45

Principal's Signature

Chair's signature
