

Willingdon School
5870 de Terrebonne
Montreal, QC H4A 1B5

2020-2021 Activity Report of Willingdon School's Governing Board

Principal: Carmen Nicolas

Vice-Principals: Maya Doughan, Candice Madden, Lara Belinsky

Members:

Parents: Lucas Reindler
Aurora Flewwelling-Skup (Treasurer)
Matt Follett (Parent Representative on EMSB Parents Committee)
Tracy Lyall (Secretary)
Genevieve Moore
Eric Lamoureux (Chair)

Teachers: Nick Batzios
Lara Belinsky/Christina Prentas
Gabriel Latino
Cornelia Mandoiu
Monique Imbeau
Kathleen Usher

Non-Teaching Professional: Tania Savickey

Number of meetings held:

1 from last year's GB (August 27)
7 Regular (September 24, October 29, December 3, January 28, March 25, April 29, June 10)
1 Special (February 22)

Issues and concerns addressed:

- Development and approval of measures and systems to deal with COVID-19
- Discussion of the need for air purifiers within the classrooms
- Communications with parents regarding public health measures taken at Willingdon
- Discussion of a community-based initiative to encourage the EMSB to open a mainstream high school in the West End
- Discussion of a community-based initiative to re-implement a bicycle corridor along Terrebonne
- Discussion of ideas for updating the Willingdon Junior Campus playground, in light to EMSB plans to begin renovation work on the school's foundations
- Discussion of school policies regarding dogs on the premises

- Discussion of initiatives regarding the RESPECT Campaign
- Discussion of changes to Cycle 1 curriculum for 2022-2023

New programs/activities/services approved:

- Approval of various fundraisers (e.g.: Calendar fundraiser, schoolwide cookbook, Recettes en Pot)
- Approval of 2021-2022 RESPECT Campaign

Actions taken by the governing board:

- Approval of School Fees for 2021-2022
- Approval of 2021-2022 Budget
- Approval of Sexuality Education Programme
- Approval of Principal Selection Criteria
- Approval of Annual Report on Educational Project 2019-2020
- Approval of improved Budget Building Process input for EMSB, to better enable Willingdon to deal with evolving student needs, especially those requiring specialized help
- Approval of project for renovations and updates to Willingdon foundations and yard
- Approval of permission to allow the Extended Day Program at Willingdon to operate in 2020-2021

Subcommittees established (if any) and their mandates:

- none

Methods used to inform parents:

- Minutes kept in a public register available for parents' consultation in the school office and posted on the Willingdon web site.

Plans and/or recommendation for the coming year:

- Continue to monitor the evolving situation with COVID-19 and enhance support given to administration and staff for dealing with the pandemic
- Improve communications with EMSB with regards to much-needed renovations, particularly regarding the schoolyard at Junior Campus