



JAMES LYNG

HIGH SCHOOL

Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 24, 2024 -4:45 P.M.
Location: Virtual-Microsoft Teams

1. Welcome

Meeting called to order at 4:45pm.

1.1 Attendance

- Giovanni Iammarrone (Principal)
- Lise Kuhn (Vice Principal)
- Mulki Farah
- Chelsea Matheson
- Andrea Parks
- Jennifer Rutt
- Matthew Maxham (teacher)
- Corey Oliver

1.2 Public Questions Period

- No questions

1.3 Additions to the Agenda

- No additions



1.4 Approval of the Agenda

- Motioned by M. Maxham; Seconded by C. Matheson, ALL IN FAVOR

2. New Business

-No additions

3. Items Requiring Discussions and Approval

3.1 Approval of January 2024 Meeting Minutes

- Motioned by J. Rutt; Seconded by M. Maxham, ALL IN FAVOR

3.2 Approval of February 2024 Meeting Minutes

- Motioned by J. Rutt; Seconded by M. Maxham, ALL IN FAVOR

3.3 Approval of March 2024 Meeting Minutes

- Motioned by J. Rutt; Seconded by M. Maxham, ALL IN FAVOR

3.4 Approval of 2024-2025 School Calendar

School Calendar and Important Dates Review

1. Calendar Overview:

- School Board Ped Days (Yellow):
 - October 18, November 22, April 11, 2025.
- School-Led Days:
 - November 29, December 13, January 6, February 3, February 28, March 28, 2025.
 - March 28 is a removable snow day. If a snow day occurs before March 28, it will be canceled.
 - May 2 is also removable based on snow days.

2. Breaks and Holidays:

- March Break: March 3-7.
- Holidays: Highlighted in blue.

3. Assessment Periods:

- ELA Common Assessment:
 - October 2, school begins at 8:40 AM, exam from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM.
- Mid-Year Exams:
 - January 23, 24, 27, 28, 2025.
- End-of-Year Exams: - June 9-20.

4. Important Events:

- Annual General Assembly: September 18 (evening).
- Meet the Teacher: September 12.
- Parent-Teacher Interviews: November 28, February 27.
- First Day of School August 29 (orientation), August 30 (classes begin).
- Last Day of Classes: June 6, 2025.

5. Report Card Releases:

- Progress Report: October.
- Term 1 Report Card: November.
- Term 2 Report Card: February.
- Term 3 Report Card: End of June/early July for flexibility.

6. Visual Guide:

- Yellow: School board ped days.
- Tool Hearts: First and last day of school.
- Stars: Evenings with parents.
- Bold Outlines: Exam or assessment days.

Action Required:

- Approval of the entire calendar, including the shortened school day on assessment days.

- Motioned by M. Maxham; Seconded by J. Rutt, ALL IN FAVOR

4. Reports

3.1 Principal's Report

1. Dental Hygienist Visit:

- Occurred in April over three separate days.
- Screening: Early April for dental sealants for Year 2 students.
- Application: Followed the screening with sealant applications.
- Statistics:
 - 14 students screened.
 - 90 teeth sealed.
 - Equivalent to \$4,500 in dental fees covered for students.
- Outcome: Successful initiative, helping prevent cavities in problematic areas identified during screening.

2. Upcoming Vaccinations (May 6):

- SEC 3 Vaccines: HPV, meningitis, hepatitis, tetanus, measles.
- SEC 4 Vaccines: Measles, meningitis.
- SEC 5 Vaccine: Measles.
- Additional Note: Vaccinations also available for adults working in the building needing to update their measles vaccine.

- Goal: Preventative measure to maintain health and safety in the school.

3.2 Teacher's Report (Outlines Teacher's current reality)

-Teachers are doing great. We're teaching away just all day, every morning teaching all through the day just teaching away. We're looking forward to the end of the year. It's nice this is going to be like we weren't as impacted by the strike as some of the fringe schools. So this feels like actually kind of a nice normal year. Right. It just feels good. But now in terms of events, I think we're mostly just focused on getting our kids over the line.

5. Varia:

5.1 Point of Information by Corey Oliver

Teen Zones Program:

- Operates as an after-school program during the school year (3:30 PM - 7/8 PM).
- Free activities, hangout spots for autonomy.
- Summer hours extended to match youth schedules (opens around noon or 1 PM).
- Activities include swimming, outings, and various fun events.
- Provides an alternative to day camps, keeping teens busy and engaged.

2. Summer Work Student Exchange Program:

- Six-week summer program for student exchanges between provinces.
- Offers work experience and exposure to different parts of the country.
- Includes a household exchange component, presenting recruitment challenges.
- Efforts to support promotion and recruitment are ongoing.

3. Welcoming Zones for New Arrivals:

- Initiated three years ago by the Ministry of Education.
- Provides spaces (schools or service points) for new arrival youth.
- Helps new students make friends, learn local skills, and navigate their new environment.
- Coincides with Teen Zone hours, offering additional integration opportunities.

These programs aim to support and engage students during the school year and summer, providing opportunities for social interaction, work experience, and community integration.

6. Date of Next Meeting

May 29, 2024 at 4:45pm via MS Teams

Adjournment

Adjournment at 5:07pm - Motioned by A.Parks; Seconded by C. Matheson, ALL IN FAVOR