

Lester B. Pearson High School

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2019-2020 GOVERNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

As parent volunteers, we learn first-hand the importance of how our implication in our school community and how our dedication can teach our children that working together can create a positive difference in the future. As Governing Board Chairperson and Regional Delegate, I, Benny Berneti have worked alongside a strong team of administrators, teachers and parents throughout my journey, making me honored and proud to be part of the Lester B. Pearson High School family.

INFORMING THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

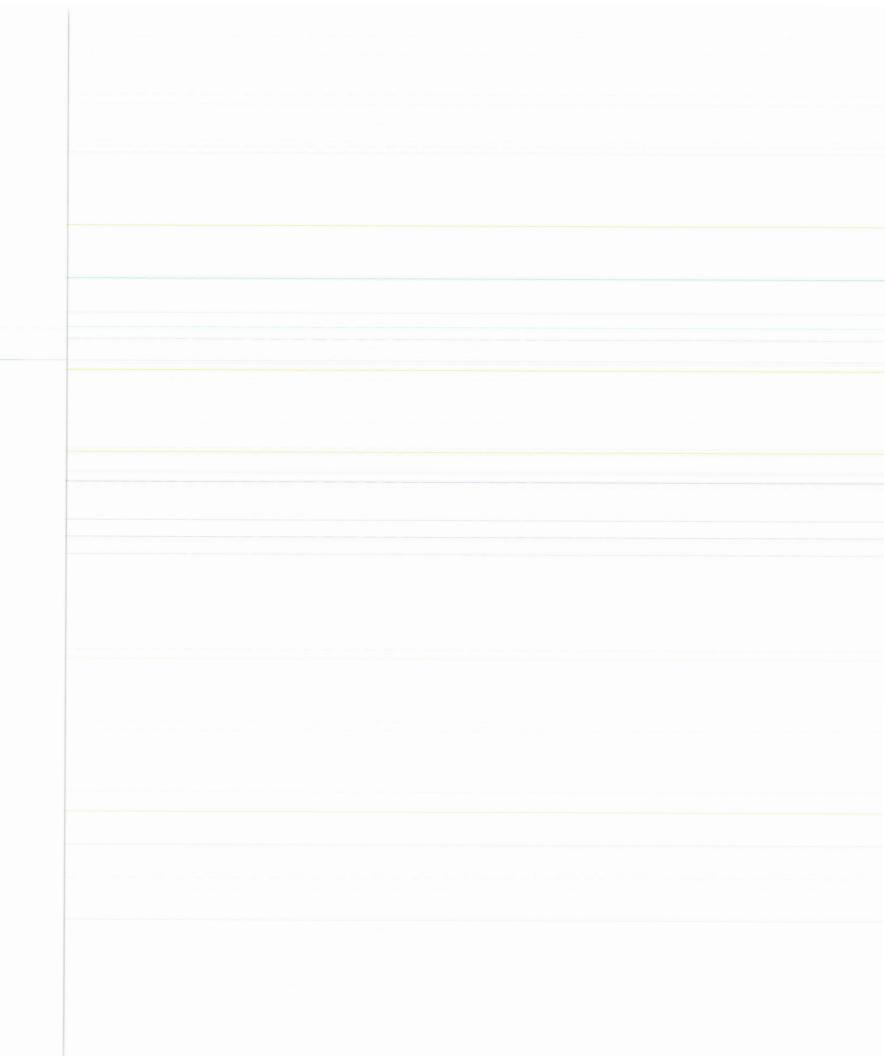
The agenda and minutes of every meeting conducted were sent via email to all Governing Board members and were published on the Lester B. Pearson High School website. All information received from the different Regions, the Central Parent Committee, the EMSB and other organizations were emailed to the Governing Board members, which were discussed during the scheduled meetings to clearly transmit the information to the parents of Lester B. Pearson High School. Representatives were present at the school's Open House and on Orientation Evening to answer, any questions that parents and visitors to the school may had.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Governing Board (together with parent volunteers) and Administration at Lester B. Pearson High School must continue to work together to foster the success of the entire student body. We must work at increasing the interest of parents in the school's programs and activities, such as the Sport-Études program, which is available at the school.

The webmaster of the school's updated website should continue to keep all information current for parents and students. This forum is a beneficial means to distribute a wide variety of information to parents in the most innovative means possible.

We, as a Governing Board were informed of the new administrative changes for the 2020-2021 academic year and we intend to work alongside the administrative staff to ensure that the transition is seamless and that the positive efforts continue within the school community.



MEMBERS AND ATTENDANCE REPORT:

School:	Lester B. Pearson High School
Principal:	Mr. Steven Rebelo

Governing Board members and meeting attendance breakdown

Meetings held on the following dates:

- September 26. 2019
- November 5, 2019
- January 21, 2020
- May 14, 2020 (Zoom room due to Covid-19)

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NAME	GROUP REPRESENTED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL	
S. Rebelo	Principal/Administration	x	x	x	x									4	
A. Caruso VP/Administration x		x	x	x										3	
P. Tummillo	VP/Administration	x	x		x									3	
L. Triestino VP/Administration		х	x	x	х									4	
B. Berneti	Member/Chairperson & Delegate	x	x		x									3	
F. Mazzariello	Member/Vice-Chairperson	x		x	x					***************************************				3	
M. Papillo	Member/Secretary & Treasurer	х		x	х									3	
P. Karpontinis	Member/Teacher	x	x	x	x									4	
C. Clarabut	Member/Teacher	х	x	x	х									4	
G. Girardello	Member/Teacher		x	x	x									3	
C. Prefontaine	Member/Teacher		x	x	х									3	
S. Greco	Member/Teacher	х	x		х									3	
A. Antonacci	Member/Teacher	x	x	x	х									4	
J. Monachino	Member/Teacher	х	x											2	
S. Magliocco Member/Teacher`		x	x											2	

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J. Biunno	Member/Parent		x	x									3
L. Zarelenga	Member/Parent		x		x								2
T. Aversano	Member/Parent	x		x	х								3
L. Garofalo	Member/Parent		x	x									3
A. Tafuto	Member/Parent		x	x	x								4
S. Lobianco	Non-Member/Commissioner												0
R. Verrillo	Alternate Parent		x	x	х								3
DM. Leduc	Alternate Parent		x	x	х								3
P. Gosselin	Alternate Parent		x		х								2
Total Regul	ar Meetings 4	Total Special Meetings											

All meetings held were regularly scheduled Governing Board meetings, as voted upon at the first group meeting. At every meeting, an agenda and minutes of the previous meeting were presented, reviewed and adopted. The final Governing Board minutes of every meeting were posted on the schools website.

SUB-COMMITTEES AND THEIR MANDATES

A sub-committee was formed to assist with the EMSB Uniform Supplier Contract that was not fulfilled according to the original arrangements. A decision was rendered to return with our previous supplier Top Marks as this supplier met all requirements in our previous contract. As well, a sub-committee was formed concerning the school transfer and in preparing a brief for consultation.

BRIEF:

ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS, SERVICES & ACTIONS TAKEN

The school participated in numerous community activities including the following:

- The Breakfast of Honor Roll and Distinction: This activity celebrated students who
 achieved an overall average of 80% per term, which allowed them to be on the Honor Roll
 As well, for those students who were selected by teachers for their improved efforts. At a
 distinction assembly, students received an honor roll certificate or a diligence certificate
 and an invitation to the breakfast.
- Multiple fundraising initiatives benefitting the Terry Fox Foundation through Bake Sales scheduled on different dates.
- Christmas food drive: To collect non-perishable food items.
- Students participated in We Day.
- Anti-bullying initiatives, including Empathy Day and Pink Shirt Day were held.
- Mental health awareness week: Activities organized were to raise awareness.
- Student Council organized numerous fundraising activities to raise funds for; Free the Children.
- CLAN program: student council members mentored elementary students at GMS
- Non-uniform Day

Prior to rendering any decision, all of the following items were presented to the Governing Board:

- outings, trips and activities;
- rules, policies and procedures;
- fundraising activities by members of the Governing Board; and
- Principal Selection Criteria.

It has been an absolute pleasure to work alongside you to ensure that our common goals have been obtained. Volunteering my time at Lester B. Pearson High school has enriched my life and has shown my own children how to be responsible citizens. I encourage you all to take part in the school and the community by volunteering your time – the rewards can only be great ones! Thank you for your support over the years.

Benny Berneti, 2019-2020 Chairperson