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Governing Board Minutes – January 21, 2020

PRESENT:

Steven Rebelo
Assunta Caruso
Lisa Triestino
Paul Karpontinis
Catherine Clarabut
G. Girardello
Angela Antonacci
M. Préfontaine
Lea Beuchamp
Miranda Di Zazzo

Frank Mazzariello
Marisa Papillo
Luigi Garofalo
Anna Tafuto
Joe Biunno
Rosanna Verrillo
Tony Aversano
Donna Mae Leduc

ABSENT:

Benny Berneti
Joseph Monacchino
Sabrina Magliocco
Liliana Zarlenga
Sergio Greco
Patrizia Tumillo

Meeting began at 7 :30 p.m at Lester B. Pearson High school

1. **Welcome**

Frank Mazzariello welcomed and thanked everyone for being present

2. **Additions to the Agenda**

n/a

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

Luigi Garofalo moved to adopt the agenda seconded by Joe Biunno. All were in favor.

4. **Adoption of the Governing Board Minutes of November 5, 2019**

Luigi Garofalo moved to adopt the minutes and it was seconded by Lea Beauchamp
All in favor

5. **Question Period**

n/a

6. Business arising from minutes

n/a

7. New Business

7.1 Budget Review: Mr. Rebelo went over all the budgets with those present.

7.2 Transfer of Refunds to Cover Outstanding Accounts: Transfer Bus Allocation to unpaid administration fees.

Luigi Garofalo motioned to adopt the transfer and seconded by Ms. Girardello. All in favor.

7.3 Transfer Measures Funding to School: Government would like for us to attest that the monies that have been given to schools has indeed been given to our school.

Tony Aversano moved to attest monies were received and it was seconded by Rosanna Verrillo. All in favor.

7.4 Budget Building Process: It was decided to keep the Budget Building process from last year with the additions of the following guiding principles, criteria, and related Orientations found on page 19-20 in the document e-mailed to the governing board by Benny Berneti on January 19, 2020.

Rosanna Verrillo moved to adopt the changes and it was seconded by Donna Mae Leduc. All in favor.

Amendment: (added text referring to i-iii-iv-v-vii)

i- The Council and Administration will continue to inform and pressure the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEES) to redress funding shortfalls to which the EMSB has been subjected.

iii-The Board recognizes the growing challenges faced by schools in respecting their per capita allocations, and shall therefore review such allocations with a view to maintaining or possibly increasing these grants, subject to the Board's financial framework.

iv-When evaluating capital expenditures, priority shall be given to projects that significantly reduce operating expenses.

v- Staffing ratios for school and centre-based staff will be reviewed annually and be readjusted where deemed necessary, in keeping with the Board's commitment to success plan. (appendix C – Staffing ratios currently in force for various classifications of personnel in schools/centres)

vii- Schools and centres will be permitted, subject to established guidelines, to reserve with Governing Board approval portions of locally administered funds in order to augment local staffing.

7.5 Uniforms for Students in Need: Mr. Rebelo is asking for \$1500.00 from fund 3 to buy Uniforms for students in need.

Paul Karpontinis adopted to move the motion to purchase the uniforms and it was seconded by Luigi Garofalo. All in favor.

7.6 Selection Criteria of School Principals: We reviewed the criteria's and have agreed upon several points which will be submitted to School board by Benny Berneti.

Paul Karpontinis adopted to move the motion in submitting criteria's decided upon and it was seconded by Luigi Garofalo. All in favor.

7.7 Photographer 2020-2021: Tabling for another meeting.

7.8. Field Trips and Activities (Carnival Day): 1) Indoor skating. There will be no cost unless children need to rent skates which will be at their own cost. 2) Tubing for sec 1-5. Cost \$20.00 per student at their own cost. 3) Skiing for sec 4/5 only. \$38.00 per student at their own cost.

Joe Biunno adopted to move the motion to go ahead with these activities and seconded by Lea Beauchamp. All in favor.

7.9 Fundraising Initiative for Australia: January 24, 2020 Student council will be collecting change to donate to a charity related to Australia's bush fires.

It was moved by Tony Aversano to adopt the motion to go ahead with this initiative and seconded by Donna Mae Leduc. All in favor.

7.10 Teacher Appreciation Week: An e-mail will be sent out to Parent Volunteers to participate in this event.

It was moved by Joe Biunno to adopt the motion to go ahead with this activity and seconded by Angela Antonacci. All in Favor.

7.11 Major School Consultation – Approval of Brief: Brief was brought forward to the board. There are no changes at the present time. It was decided to give a mandate to the subcommittee to bring in ideas on new footprints where potentially we can use block 1300 (300 people).

It was moved by Luigi Garofalo to adopt this motion and seconded by M. Préfontaine. All in favor.

8. Reports

8.1 Principal:

- Reminded everyone exam week is the week of January 27, 2020
- Went over a situation that occurred off school grounds during lunch that resulted in a lock down of our school.

8.2 Teacher: nothing to report

8.3 Student Council – Went over activities that happened and that are coming up. (The student council outline will be added at a later date)

8.4 EMSB Parents Committee: They have presented their own brief to the school Board regarding Major School Change. This can be found on the EMSB website.

9. Varia

n/a

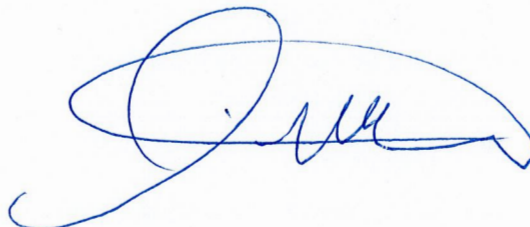
10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

It was moved by Tony Aversano to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ms. Clarabut. All in favor.



Steven Rebelo – Principal



Benny Berneti – Chairperson

Frank Mazzariello – Vice-Chair