

# ÉCOLE NESBITT SCHOOL

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### GOVERNING BOARD - MEETING #2

## Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> 2021

6:30 pm (via Microsoft Teams)

MINUTES

Name of member	Role	P/A	Name of member	Role	P/A
Alexis, Melissa	Parent	P	Marcil, Martin	Teacher	P
Arcaro, Robert	Parent	Р	Roberts, Todd	Support Staff	P
Balntas, Maria	Daycare Staff	Р	Rodrigue, Jonathan	Parent	P
Bastide de Grave, Jerome	Parent	Р	Romano, Nicholas	Principal	Р
Blain, Sylvie	Teacher	Р	Sacco, Anita	Teacher	P
Codipietro, Katia	Teacher	Р	Santino, Maria	Parent	Р
Currie, Sophie	Parent	Р	Zampino, Alessia	Teacher	P
De Marco, Daniela	Teacher	P	Zarnegar, Pardis	Parent	Р
Di Martino, Maria Lisa	Parent	Р	VACANT	Community Rep	5
Garcia, Carolyn	Parent	P	VACANT	Community Rep	
Lanni, Sandra	Teacher	Р	TOTAL: _19 Present ( _18 votes)		

Replacements in the event there are not enough parents for quorum: None for the moment

### **Opening Time: 630 pm**

1. Adoption of the Agenda

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- Moved by: Maria S. Second: Melissa A. Vote: 18:0:0
- 2. Update of GB Members
  - 2.1 Community Representatives
    - At present, there are no official community representatives on GB.
    - Laurie McLaughlin has offered to come back.
    - Jonathan R. proposes that Laurie McLaughlin be back on GB as community rep.
      - Vote: 18:0:0
    - Nicholas R. asks GB if they know anyone with ties to the community who would like to occupy the 2<sup>nd</sup> position that is available for community rep.
    - Erica is new city councilor; Laurie M. will be meeting her again this Friday.
- 3 Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
  - 3.1 Minutes from Tuesday, October 12th, 2021
    - Moved by: Todd R. Second: Anita S. Vote: 18:0:0



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4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

#### School Renovations:

- Maria S. sent an email to the commissioner Mr. Cannavino last week asking him if there was any news but has not received any replies.
- Nicholas R: On November 11<sup>th</sup>, an architectural firm came to the school as part of a bidding process. Bids are open until November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Does not know how many companies are bidding. The designing process will take place later this year.
- Do we have any say in where we will be relocated during renovations? Decision will probably be made by the school board.

#### Pool Renovations

- Nicholas R. spoke to someone responsible for pool project. The construction jobsite on the 8<sup>th</sup> avenue is expected to stay until late January, early February 2022. Plans for buses to move back to 8<sup>th</sup> are held off until then.
- The new municipal library is opening this week and February 10<sup>th</sup> is the opening date for the pool complex.
- When construction is complete, and the jobsite is cleared, the city will need time to put new signage on the streets and inform residents of the changes (i.e., parking changes following moving the bus drop-off to the 8<sup>th</sup> avenue and parent drop-off to the 6<sup>th</sup>).

#### Cafeteria;

- November 8<sup>th</sup>- cafeteria re-opened. Not only prepaid lunch tickets, also accepting cash.
- Each child has a designated spot to sit and eat.
- Prepaid meal tickets 45\$/ pack of 10 or cash (last year accepted only meal tickets)
- If purchasing with cash, the meal deal is not available, must buy à la carte- would end up being 0.50\$-0.70\$ more for a meal deal when paying cash as opposed to ticket.
- Parents can

#### 5. New Business

- 5.1. Approval of Sexuality Education Plan 2021-2022
  - We require approval of the Sexuality Education plan, as is done every year.
  - Same plan as last year except that for the older cycles, board professional and health care
    professionals were added, in addition to the teachers.
  - Time allotted varies on the cycles and themes.
  - Will begin in term 2.
  - All content is in accordance to the MEES curriculum.
  - <u>Resolution:</u>

GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION

2021-2022 NESBITT SCHOOL SEXUALITY EDUCATION PLAN

WHEREAS Article 85 of The Education Act states that the curriculum plan for the compulsory content in Sexuality Education must be approved by the school's Governing Board,

WHEREAS the Principal, together with a committee of school staff and professionals from the health and social services system, have determined who will provide sexuality education content.

IT WAS MOVED BY AND RESOLVED THAT the 2021-2022 Sexuality Education Curriculum be approved, as presented, by the Governing Board and that it be communicated to all parents on the school website.

Signature, Governing Board Chaitperson / Date

Signature, Principal / Date





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Moved by: Jerome B.G. Second: Sophie C.

- 5.2. Approval of Educational Project Report 2020-2021
  - Prepared in advance by the school board because there was no data available for last year (i.e., school closure due to COVID19, no exams = no data)
  - <u>Resolution:</u>

GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION

NESBITT SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT ON THE EDUCATIONAL PROJECT 2020-2021

WHEREAS Article 36 of The Education Act requires that The School develop an Educational Project that is coherent with the School Board's Commitment-to-Success Plan;

WHEREAS Article 37 requires that The School produces an annual report of its achievements concerning the objectives of the Educational Project for submission to the School Board;

WHEREAS the period covered by the Educational Project is harmonized with the Commitment-to-Success Plan period covered by the School Board;

IT WAS MOVED BY \_\_\_\_\_\_AND RESOLVED THAT the Annual Report on the Educational Project 2020-2021 be approved by the Governing Board, and that it be communicated to all stakeholders.

Signature, Governing Board Chairperson / Date

Signature, Principal / Date

- Moved by: Sophie C. Second: Sandra L.
- 5.3. Approval of Holiday Community Action Campaigns
  - 5.3.1. Sox-in-a-Box Clothing Drive
    - Asking for donations of new pairs of socks of all sizes adults or children
    - Will run from December 1-14, 2021
    - Moved by: Todd R.
    - Second: Anita S. Vote: 18:0:0
  - 5.3.2. Food Drive for St. Michael's and St. Brendan's
    - Collection of non-perishable food items to be donated to St-Michael's and St-Brendon's.
    - Will run from December 1-14, 2021
    - Dec 15 and 16, community organizations will come to pick up the items.
    - Moved by: Todd R. Second: Anita S. Vote: 18:0:0
- 5.4. Approval of Enfant & Compagnie Lunchtime Activities (Week of Jan 10 to Feb 25, 2022)
  - This year we are allowed to resume extracurricular activities.
  - Will take place during lunchtime.
  - Run for 7 weeks: from January 10 to February 25, 2022



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- Cycles 2 & 3: 2 activities offered: Jewelry making and Cooking
  - Prek to Cycle 1: 2 activities offered: Science and Cooking
- Offered on different days so can participate in both activities.
- Chess activity? Maria S will send info to Nicholas R, and he will contact them for info.
- Music Club? Madame Carolyn is currently running a club with 10-15 students from grades 4,5,6.
- Price for Enfant & Compagnie Lunchtime Activities: 13\$/class,
  - total 91\$ for 7 weeks WINTER
    - 104\$ for 8 weeks SPRING
- Moved by: Sophie C Second: Daniele D M. Vote: 18:0:0
- 5.5. Approval of Fundraisers for Graduation Committee
  - 5.5.1. Pizza Day (Dec 9<sup>th</sup>)
    - Already voted via email
    - Forms will be sent out to parents tomorrow
  - 5.5.2. Hoodie/Yearbook Sale
    - Price: 65\$, pays for meal as well
    - Every student will get one even if they can't pay the 65\$.
    - Carolyn Garcia has a contact for a printing company for the hoodies, said will do it for free as a donation to the school. Melissa Alexis will contact her to finalize.
  - 5.5.3. Dress Down Days
    - 3 Dress Down Days:
      - 1) before the holidays (holiday themed),
      - 2) In February (theme TBC),
      - o 3) In March (theme TBC).
  - Approval of all Fundraisers: Moved by: Katia C. Second: Jerome B.G. Vote: 18:0:0

#### 6. Reports

- 6.1. Principal Report
  - Enrollment: 313 current students
  - PELO started 3 weeks ago: x3 Spanish classes (MO/TH/FR), and x2 Italian classes (MO/FR)
  - Other clubs started: Music club, Art club, Robotics club
  - Oct 29th: Halloween activity day, kids dress up, pumpkin decorating
  - Nov 5<sup>th</sup>: Remembrance Day ceremony with members from army and volunteers of Canadian legion, will also have mobile display.
  - November 10<sup>th</sup>: virtual assembly Remembrance Day
  - Nov 11<sup>th</sup>: moment of silence
  - Nov 29th: Grade/Siblings/Retake photo
  - Nov 25th: Virtual parent/teacher interviews
  - Progress Report: Friday via Mozaik Portal
- 6.2. Teachers Report

Prek/K: Sylvie Blain (Immersion)

Halloween activities



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- First field trip held this week at Musee des Beaux Arts
- Pompier sur la sécurité- held before Halloween

#### Cycle 1: No teachers available

Cycle 2: Anita Sacco

- 2 big projects involving grades 3 & 4 immersion and grade 4 core; Media project with Projet Fusion Save the Bees. Students learn about the different types of media, create their own production, learn French and Science. 2 classes participating.
- Grade 3&4 core: math project: EMSB teachers create a comic version of the classroom, telling a story through comics, to better understand math.

Cycle 3: Alessia Zampino

- Core: working on larger scale word problems in math
- Express learning through different means: recording short commercial using FlipGrid.
- Collaboration with Portugal: students to write spooky Halloween poem, convert to visual art piece.
- 6.3. Daycare Report: Maria Balntas
  - Current 78 registrations + 2 next week
  - November 1<sup>st</sup> PED Day: PJ party and pancake breakfast
  - November 25<sup>th</sup> PED Day: Arts & Crafts Christmas ornaments
  - November 26<sup>th</sup> PED Day: Dynamics coming for laser tag activity
- 6.4. Treasurer Report: Carolyn Garcia
  - 250\$ + 139\$ carried over from last year= 389\$ available

6.5. Parents' Committee Report: Melissa Alexis & Sophie Currie

- Melissa Alexis: November 4<sup>th</sup> was first official meeting
- Land acknowledgement for first nations
- Donations and flowers for student that died in shooting in front of a school
- Hybrid press conference 2022
- Motion to change format of PC meetings: change bylaws to allow for hybrid approach: virtual or in
  person meetings in order to allow for more parents to join PC meetings.
- December 2<sup>nd</sup> next meeting
- <u>Sophie Currie</u>: will be participating in a parent sub-committee tomorrow night which will focus on low enrollment in EMSB schools. Sophie C. will give info to Pardis Z. about the outcome of the meeting as Pardis Z. plans to do marketing/PR campaign again this year to increase enrollment at Nesbitt.
- 6.6. Chairperson's Report: Jonathan R.
  - N/A

6.7. Home & School Committee Report:

- 8 parents responded to Nicholas R's email, of which 4 are available to volunteer 4 are available for leadership roles.
- Nicholas R will reach out to those 4 parents interested in leadership roles to set up.







- 8. Varia
  - The EMSB is offering possibility of having in-person or virtual GB meetings (with the exception of the AGM). GM members agreed on virtual meetings.
  - Next meeting Tuesday December 14<sup>th</sup> will be virtual.

9. Adjournment:

### Adjournment time: 7:40 pm

Moved by: Maria S. Second: Todd R. Vote: 18:0:0

Next meeting Tuesday December 14th (virtual).

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Jonathan Rodrique Chairperson

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Nicholas Romano Principal