



ÉCOLE NESBITT SCHOOL

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GOVERNING BOARD - MEETING #3

Tuesday, December 8th, 2020

6:30 pm (via Microsoft Teams)

MINUTES

Name of member	Role	P/A			P/A
Alexis, Melissa	Parent	P	Plunkett, Robert	Support Staff	
Bastide de Grave, Jerome	Parent	P	Rodrigue, Jonathan	Parent	P
Berghout, Choukri	Parent	P	Romano, Nicholas	Principal	P
Codipietro, Katia	Teacher	P	Santino, Giuseppina	Daycare	P
Currie, Sophie	Parent	P	Santino, Maria	Parent	P
Di Martino, Maria Lisa	Parent	P	Vaillancourt, Sonia	Teacher	P
Di Meo, Michelle	Teacher	P	Zampino, Alessia	Teacher	P
Fonico, Anna	Teacher	P	Zarnegar, Pardis	Parent	P
Hernandez, Daly	Parent	P	VACANT	Teacher	
Lanni, Sandra	Teacher	P	VACANT	Community Rep	
McLaughen, Laurie	Community Rep	P	TOTAL: _18_ Present (_16_ votes)		

Replacements in the event there are not enough parents for quorum: Doetzel, Lyndsay and Mayen, Carina

Opening Time: 630 pm

1. Adoption of the Agenda
 - To add 5.8. Sub-committee Reports
 - 5.8.1. Student Enrollment Committee
 - 5.8.2. Community Share Table Committee
 - Moved by: Sophie C.
Second: Sandra L.
Vote: 16:0:0
2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
 - 2.1. Minutes from Tuesday, November 17th, 2020
 - Moved by: Michelle D.
Second: Pardis Z.
Vote: 16:0:0
3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes:
 - 3.1. Follow-up on Air Purifiers



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- The commissioners voted for air purifiers to be supplied by the school board, will be installed in 30 EMSB schools. Schools were chosen based on those that did not have mechanical ventilation.
- Nesbitt will get 28 units, date of installation still not known
- At the last PC meeting that Sophie C. attended, they had discussed that the units would NOT be mobile, rather they would be integrated in the walls (either permanent or semi-permanent), and schools would obtain them by the end of February 2021.
- Concerns about added electrical load- will circuits be able to handle the air purifiers? We were told surveys were done and it should be a problem.
- Maintenance costs? There was no discussion about that from the school board, however most of our recurring costs are covered by the school board.
- Location of the 28 air purifiers at Nesbitt? No information yet. Buildings and Grounds will come and decide which locations will be more advantageous for air circulation.
- The board will send electricians because the units will be mounted on the walls.
- No information yet about how the air purifiers will affect school renovation project- perhaps they can be moved?
- Nesbitt has 20 homerooms and 8 common share spaces (gym, daycare, etc.)

4. New Business

4.1. Sexuality Education Plan

4.2. Safe School Plan

- Both are in the process of being updated and finalized.
- Both documents will be sent to GB for approval, if before holidays will be via email.

5. Reports

5.1. Principal Report

- The commissioner responsible for our school, Mr. Agostino Cannavino, has expressed that he would like to be present at some of our G.B. meetings but unfortunately could not make it to tonight's meeting.
- Current Enrollment: 303 students currently with 3 students scheduled to register on January 4th.
- On December 18th, it will be some international student's last day at Nesbitt.
- Two Holiday drives under way:
 - 1) Sox in a Box
 - 2) Collection of non-perishable food items
 - Friday Dec 11th is the last day, pick up will be Monday or Tuesday Dec 14 or 15
- Dec 9th and 10th Holiday Luncheon: options are turkey roll or vegetarian meal. Parents had to confirm. 260 out of 303 students are participating. Will not be held in communal area.
- Friday Dec 11th Holiday Dress Down Day: \$2/student contribution for Grade 6 graduation.
- Monday December 14th Holiday Breakfast: Santa Clause will be joining us
- Tuesday Dec 15th and Wednesday Dec 16th: last physical school days.
- Holiday Art Activity: all students will receive wooden ornaments to decorate.
- Thursday Dec 17th and Friday December 18th: Online School
 - School is online from home
 - The online schedule for online learning will be sent tomorrow
 - 30-40 minutes online daily
 - Will be of academic nature but will be light days based mostly on fun academic activities- realize that most parents work and cannot do online sessions.
- Community Share Table: Maria Lisa D. came in to the school and looked at the clothes Nesbitt was donating.
- Student Enrollment Committee: Pardis Z. will give an update
- Student Laptops and School Shutdown:



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- 35 new laptops were purchased by the school for families in need.
- Plan in place in event of school shutdown.
- Question brought by GB member if students can bring home all their educational material before the holidays in case of shut down. Answer: yes, Nicolas R will discuss with teachers.
- Wishing everyone safe and happy holidays.

5.2. Teachers Report

Prek/K: No teacher available

- Sandra L: Prek/k received grant from Arts Inspire (English Language Arts), dance project with the students.

Cycle 1:

Alessia Zampino

- Students are getting ready for the holidays.
- Virtual travelling- learning about different cultures and how they celebrate different holidays.

Sonia Vaillancourt (Immersion):

- Class received 15 stars for lining up outside and earned the following prizes:
 - Mme. Sylvie's class: Film with popcorn
 - Mme. Brigitte's class: pajama day
 - Mme. Sonia's class: pajama day Dec 10th
- Class doing Elf activity; setting traps to catch one of Santa's elves.

Cycle 2: Michelle Di Meo

- Immersion class: New Project:
 - Class was chosen to participate in the project *Caravane d'albums*, whereby students will work virtually with a local artist to create a short film (will write, illustrate and record).

Cycle 3: Anna Fonicolo:

- Grade 5 and 6: novel study
- Mathematics: Sandra L. working on a math music video with students, to teach about different math concepts covered thus far.

5.3. Daycare Report:

- Staff doing holiday arts and crafts with students
- Dec 17th and 18th: school board will set up 3 points of service; Garden View, Coronation and Honore-Mercier, for parents that are essential workers only. Daycare is prepared should schools be closed beyond January 4th.

5.4. Treasurer Report:

- Total budget remaining for 2020-2021: 139\$

5.5. Parents' Committee Report: Sophie Currie

- Air purifiers were discussed. See point 3.1



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5.6. Chairperson's Report: Jonathan R.

- Received document for *Criteria for Principal Selection*; document that school board requires in the event that a principal will no longer be at a school. Will present to GB at next meeting in January.

5.7. Home & School Committee Report: Nicholas R.

- No meeting has been held yet since the last H&S meeting.
- Nicolas R. has been discussing with president of H&S regarding volunteers for various activities such as the Holiday luncheon.
- Pizza Day was a success. Some deliveries of the pizzas were late but 260 out of 300 students participated.

5.8. Sub-committee Reports

5.8.1. Student Enrollment Committee: Pardis Z.

- Focusing on the upcoming open house to attract as many new students as possible.
- Has attended various open houses held at other schools to determine the factors that stand out
- Will target the open houses via two avenues;
 1. Creating a simple image for the open house and presenting a link to Nesbitt's Facebook page as well as H&S's Facebook page and asking all to share the links.
 2. Target daycares:
 - Has prepared a page with points to highlight and is preparing a list of daycares to target.
 - Daycares targeted will be mainly located in the Rosemount area, as well as in the eastern parts of the Plateau and downtown areas.
 - There are no elementary French Immersion schools in western part of the city, all are bilingual.
 - Targeted daycares will be contacted and will receive, via email, a marketing communication letter which they can subsequently forward to the parents.

5.8.2. Community Share Table: Maria Lisa D.

- The Facebook page for the Community Share table is up. Has already been shared a few parents but the word needs to be spread that the page exists. Comments expressed thus far by parents has been very positive.
- Nesbitt has a treasure chest of items to donate, among them are brand name coats, boots, clothes. Pictures of some of the items have been posted on the Facebook page and parents can request to pick them up at the school by appointment.
- The remainder of the items at Nesbitt are items left over from last year's lost and found. Parents will be given a grace period until the end of the month of January to claim the items before they will be placed on the Community Share Table.

6. Question Period

7. Varia

8. Adjournment:



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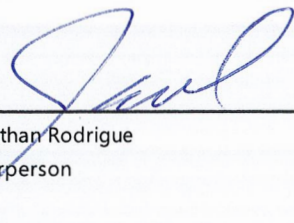


Adjournment time: 7:22 pm

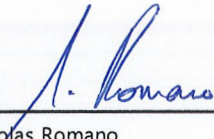
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NEXT MEETING: Tuesday January 12th, 2021

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Jonathan Rodrigue
Chairperson

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Nicholas Romano
Principal