



ÉCOLE NESBITT SCHOOL

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GOVERNING BOARD - MEETING #4

Tuesday, February 9th 2021

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	Voggas, Christina*	Principal	P
Codipietro, Katia	Teacher		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
Fonicolo, Anna	Teacher	P	Zarnegar, Pardis	Parent	P
Hernandez, Daly	Parent	P	VACANT	Teacher	
Lanni, Sandra	Teacher	P	VACANT	Community Rep	
McLaughen, Laurie	Community Rep		TOTAL: _16__ Present (_15__ votes)		

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

- Christina Voggas replaced principal N. Romano during his leave

Opening Time: 630 pm

1. Adoption of the Agenda

- To add Varia, section 7.1. Pool parking lot update on Nesbitt property
- Moved by: Maris S.
Second: Jerome B.G
Vote: 15:0:0

2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

2.1. Minutes from Tuesday, December 8th, 2020

- Moved by: Choukri B.
Second: Michelle D.
Vote: 15:0:0

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

3.1. Follow-up on Air Purifiers

- Since January every class in the school has air purifiers
- They are all running well, no issues



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- The minister announced that all schools need to be verified for CO2 levels. Levels in 4 different classrooms in different sections of the school were measured. Technicians came in at three different intervals to measure levels. The results at Nesbitt school were very good; CO2 levels need to be under 1000 PPM, Nesbitt's results are 430.
- Windows are still opened as much as possible to help with the air circulation.
- Will the air purifiers be moved if renovations take place? The air purifiers are mounted, new electrical had to be passed. They will try to find a way to transport them to the new temporary building.

3.2. Safe School Plan

- The safe school plan will be reviewed in the Spring. A committee has been formed to look over the plan, which will be presented to GB in Spring.

4. New Business

4.1. Sexuality Education Plan 2020-2021

- The 2020-2021 Sexuality Education plan was presented to GB.
- We are mandated to have sexual education in our curriculum.
- The teachers worked on the plan according to the different cycles.
- The health care professional is the school nurse.
- The board professional is Jamie Quinn, who does workshops for the teachers.
- Once the plan is approved, it will be sent to the school board and will be posted on the school's website.
- Parents are encouraged to ask the teachers should they have any questions regarding the specifics of the materials used in class.
- Will parents be advised ahead of time when a theme will be discussed in class? Depends on the teachers and how they work, if they send a weekly plan, etc.
- The motion for the Sexuality Education Curriculum Plan was presented to GB and moved by Sophie C. The curriculum was approved as presented to the governing board, and communicated via the school website.
 - *WHEREAS section 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 _____ Sophie Currie _____ AND RESOLVED THAT the 2020-2021 Sexuality Education Curriculum Plan be approved, as presented, by the Governing Board and that it be communicated to all parents on the school website.*

4.2. Budget Building Process 2021-2022

- The budget building process for 2021-2022 was presented to GB.
- Budget Priorities; GB agreed that the 5 priorities will remain as they were in the 2020-2021 report.
- Guiding principles: GB agreed that the 4 guiding principles will remain as they were in the 2020-2021 report.

4.3. MEES Measure 2020-2021

- Every year Nesbitt is allocated Measure funds from MEES and must share to GB how those funds will be used. Nesbitt was allocated a total of 17,607\$ for 2020-2021.
- Pages 4-6 are monies allocated to the school board.



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- Page 7 are the monies allocated specifically to Nesbitt school.

Nom de la mesure protégée	Montants indicatifs du Ministère pour l'établissement	Montants transmis par votre CSS/CS
15012 Aide alimentaire	13 173,00 \$	
15027 Soutien à la réussite éducatives des élèves doués (à haut potentiel)		
15029 Cours d'école vivantes, animées et sécuritaires	5 359,00 \$	5 359,00 \$
15031 Soutien à la mise en place d'interventions efficaces en prévention de la violence, de l'intimidation et pour favoriser un climat scolaire sécuritaire, positif et bienveillant		
15055 Agents de soutien aux collaborations écoles-familles immigrantes		
15103 Acquisition d'œuvres littéraires et d'ouvrages documentaires		2 935,00 \$
15104 Acquisition de livres de littérature jeunesse et d'ouvrages documentaires pour les classes de l'éducation préscolaire et du 1er cycle du primaire	326,00 \$	326,00 \$
15186 Sorties scolaires en milieu culturel	8 988,00 \$	8 987,00 \$
15200 Formation en réanimation cardio-respiratoire au secondaire		
15313 Soutien à l'ajout de classes spéciales		
Total	27 846,00 \$	17 607,00 \$

- Cours d'école vivantes: initiatives to beautify the school yard
- Oeuvres Littéraires: library
- Education préscolaires: library
- Sorties: there are no outings because of COVID, however people will be coming to Nesbitt ex: bring in orchestra, virtual museum, cultural dances outside. There is a list of places that we can choose from. Cabane a sucre is coming to the school but not on the list so will be from another fund.
- Aide alimentaire: centrally managed. Includes breakfast, subsidies for lunches & snacks.
- The resolution for the MEES Mesure 2020-2021 was presented to GB. It serves to confirm that Nesbitt has received these funds and that the administration has explained how they will be using them.
 - **IT WAS RESOLVED and APPROVED** that the Governing Board of ___Nesbitt School___ confirms that the financial resources allocated by the English Montreal School Board (EMSB), related to the MEES' Protected Measures, as per the attached summary, in the total amount of \$ ___17607.00___, were allocated to the school in accordance with their intended purpose and as defined in the amended Operating Budgetary rules for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - Proposed: Melissa A.
 - Second: Pardis Z.
 - Vote: 15:0:0

4.4. Principal Criteria:

- GB has agreed to use the same criteria that was stated on the February 2020 document.



5. Reports

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5.1. Principal Report

- Registration Week: Due to COVID restrictions, appointments for registration had to be made and guidelines had to be followed. Registrations are still on-going.
 - Projected Numbers:
 - total 16 PreK
 - 24 Kindergarten (Eng. + Imm). Includes PreK students moving up.
 - 8 in other levels 1-6
 - PreK registrations are higher than last year but we will have a more accurate picture closer to August.
 - K registrations is a little lower than last year but still early.
 - Can we qualify for French Immersion PreK classes?: Christina V. will look into it.
- Teacher Appreciation Week: Teachers and daycare staff will receive treats from the school as of tomorrow for the duration of this week and next week.
- Promotional Video: A promotional video to highlight key elements about Nesbitt
 - Will not be done in time for the 2nd open house
 - Danielle Mokuvich, the board P.R. contact came on Monday to interview teachers, staff, Hogs. And sent the first draft of the video to Christina V. today.
 - Once video is completed, it will be shared on Nesbitt's website, social media and virtual open house site.
- Christina V. thanked GB, staff and Nesbitt community for their warm welcome.

5.2. Teachers Report

Prek/K: No teacher available

Cycle 1: Sonia Vaillancourt (Immersion):

- Mme. Sylvie and Mme. Brigitte got a student teacher from UQAM who will be doing their stage 4 and stage 1.
- Students in grade 1 are working on a Valentine's day surprise for school staff, cards for parents.
- 1st grade Room 6: received their 15th star for good behavior during line-up, awaiting their surprise.

Cycle 2: Michelle Di Meo

- Immersion class: they are wrapping up their novel project:
 - James and the Giant Peach: grades 3
 - Matilda: grades 4
- Cycle 2 has begun writing a lot more.

Cycle 3: Anna Fonicolo:

- English: working on a science project and are filming videos about what they learned.
- Immersion: working on a horoscope project
- ELA: biography project connected with Black History month and will be presented by students via different media.



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5.3. Daycare Report:

- The daycare staff is preparing for the various PED days.
- March break is still up in the air, not sure if daycare is open or closed.

5.4. Treasurer Report:

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

5.5. Parents' Committee Report: Sophie Currie / Melissa A.

- EMSB townhall coming up
- Surveys that are sent to parents are important as they give parents a voice in important matters.

5.6. Chairperson's Report: Jonathan R.

5.7. Home & School Committee Report:

- Volunteers for grade 6 graduation; preparing video

5.8. Sub-committee Reports

5.8.1. Student Enrollment Committee: Pardis Z.

- In the weeks leading up to the open house, Pardis Z. contacted the daycares and sent out about 30 emails that included the electronic pamphlets.
- Pamphlets were also printed and distributed to about 20 daycares.
- GB thanked Pardis Z. for her hard work and efforts.

5.8.2. Community Share Table: Maria Lisa D.

- There are about 20 or so members on the Facebook group. Despite members having expressed their appreciation of the page, there has been no messages for any of the items.
- Parents are maybe reluctant because of Covid.
- Michelle D. will post the page again.

6. Question Period;

Water damage?

- the pipe in the girl's bathroom broke and the water ran from the top floor to the bottom floor of the school, however it was clean water and not sewage.
- The water damage did not affect any classrooms however it did damage Sandra Lanni's office and closet.
- The new boy's bathroom had some damages as well.
- The board has since fixed it and has been following up every week.
- On Friday, they will come to replace the damaged tiles.
- Nesbitt is next in line for major renovations.

7. Varia

7.1. Pool parking lot update on Nesbitt property



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- Stephanie Watt was interested in attending one of our GB meetings to discuss.
- GB agreed to invite her to come to our March meeting. Daphne Collin is replacing Stephanie Watt for the time being.
- Laurie M. has no further information but thinks its more about a shared space for the parking lot.
- Points to discuss with Daphne Collin; GB MUST MAKE LIST OF QUESTIONS/ISSUES.
 - Bike path
 - Pool parking lot plans
 - Trucks parked on Bellechasse where parents drop off.

8. Adjournment:

Adjournment time: 8:14pm

Moved by: Melissa A.

Second: Pardis Z.

Vote: 15:0:0

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday March 16th, 2021

X

Jonathan Rodrigue
Chairperson

X

Christina Voggas
Acting Principal