



ÉCOLE NESBITT SCHOOL

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GOVERNING BOARD - MEETING #5

Tuesday, April 19th, 2022

6:30 pm (via Microsoft Teams)

MINUTES

| Name of member | Role | P/A | Name of member | Role | P/A |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----|
| Alexis, Melissa | Parent | | Marcil, Martin | Teacher | P |
| Arcaro, Robert | Parent | P | McLaughen, Laurie | Community Rep | |
| Balntas, Maria | Daycare Staff | | Roberts, Todd | Support Staff | P |
| Bastide de Grave, Jerome | Parent | P | Rodrigue, Jonathan | Parent | P |
| Blain, Sylvie | Teacher | P | Romano, Nicholas | Principal | P |
| Codipietro, Katia | Teacher | P | Sacco, Anita | Teacher | P |
| Currie, Sophie | Parent | | Santino, Maria | Parent | P |
| De Marco, Daniela | Teacher | P | Zampino, Alessia | Teacher | P |
| Di Martino, Maria Lisa | Parent | P | Zarnegar, Pardis | Parent | P |
| Garcia, Carolyn | Parent | | VACANT | Community Rep | |
| Lanni, Sandra | Teacher | P | TOTAL: _15_ Present (_14_ votes) | | |

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

Opening Time: 6:39 pm

- Adoption of the Agenda:
 - Amendments: Basketball ended mid-April not mid-May, lasted 6 weeks.
 - Moved by: Maria Lisa D.
Second: Pardis Z.
Vote: 14:0:0
- Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
 - Minutes from Tuesday, March 15th, 2022
 - Moved by: Todd R.
Second: Sandra L.
Vote: 14:0:0
- Business Arising from Previous Minutes:
 - Major Renovations of Nesbitt School Building:
 - Nicholas R:
 - No information yet in terms of the timeline
 - Renovations will start June 2023
 - From now to then, we will have many visits from people involved in the project.
 - This is the biggest EMSB renovation project. As such, there are two project managers at the EMSB.
 - There is 1 meeting per month involving the entire team, Nicholas R. and Material Resources department. This will continue until the project is completed.
 - There are also weekly communications between the school and the project managers.



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- Nicholas R. has already met with the project managers on 4 different occasions; 2 meetings via Zoom and 2 in person meetings. They had discussed the various rooms in the school and their uses, and did a walk-through of the school.
- In terms of what the renovations will look like, will there be mobile classrooms, will they work 1 floor at a time- there are no answers yet because the project managers are still in the planning stages with the architectural firm. They are currently working on the design and the planning of the project phases. However, it does seem like we will be staying at Nesbitt during the renovations but no news yet if there will be mobile classrooms or not.
- Maria S:
- On March 23rd, there was a meeting with the council of commissioners and they passed a resolution to choose an architectural firm.
- They said renovations will start in the Fall but that is not the information Nicholas R. received.

4. New Business

4.1. Approval for Field Trips

4.1.1. Approval for Cycle 2 Field Trip to Sikh Temple

- The spiritual community animator and the art teacher have contacted a temple for a cultural field trip. Students will learn about the culture and religion.
- Cycle 2: May 3 and May 10
- Cost for students: 0\$
- Moved by: Maria Lisa D
Second: Sylvie B.
Vote: 14:0:0

4.1.2. Approval for Field Trip to Centaur Theatre (Grades 2 to 5)

- Offered by Montreal school for all
- Grades 2-5; April 26
- Cost to students: 0\$
- Moved by: Maria S.
Second: Katia C.
Vote: 14:0:0

4.2. Approval for Fundraiser

4.2.1. Sweets-In-A-Jar Fundraiser

- Grad committee fundraiser
- Guess how many candies are in a jar
- There will be 2 separate jars, \$1/guess
- Prize: win the candy jar
- Will work out plan to allow all students to see the jars
- Moved by: Todd R.
Second: Jerome B.D.
Vote: 14:0:0



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5. Reports

5.1. Principal Report

- Enrollment:
 - Currently enrolling 2-3 students per week, been busy with registrations
- Next week there will be a joint concert in collaboration with Ecole Pierre de Coubertin to raise awareness about the situation in Ukraine. Choirs from both schools will be participating and there will be guests from the local Ukrainian church.
- May 6th: return to in-person Welcome to Kindergarten Day. A day which prepares PreK & future K students for their first day of school. During COVID restrictions, this was done via video.

5.2. Teachers Report

PreK/K: Sylvie Blain (Immersion)

- Had field trip to Musee Pointe a Calliere as Nesbitt was selected by the Ecole Montrealaise. The field trip to the museum was new for the pre-school level. The field trip was very well done.
- PreK 4–5-year-olds: will be going to the Maison Theatre on April 29th to see Pommerleau.
- Fete de 100 jours d'ecole: students had to count 100 steps and had a great time.

Cycle 1: no teacher (Sylvie Blain mentioned a few key points)

- Students going to the theater next week
- Preparing for field trip in June regarding bees, offered by Inter Miel.
- Mme. Katia and M. Anthony will have a field trip at Mount -Royal at the beginning of June. This trip replaces the tubing field trip that had to be cancelled. Will be centered on a science theme.
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Cycle 2: Anita Sacco

- Interactive story writing workshop through AMSFA
- Will be going to the theater next week
- Grades 3-4 Fractured fairy tales
- Core: learning about the water cycle in science grades 3-4
- June: field trip to the Archeology Museum Pointe a Calliere

Cycle 3: Martin Marcil

- Immersion: learning programming of video games in 1) Scratch and 2) Construct.
- Construct: in collaboration with Fusion Jeunesse. Will be competing with other Montreal schools. Must submit their entry by the end of May.
- End of cycle exams are taking place for Grade 6
- Robotics project: robot that moves on 2 wheels, learning about balance.

5.3. Daycare Report: Maria Balntas

- Maria B. was unable to attend tonight's meeting

5.4. Treasurer Report: Carolyn Garcia

- Carolyn Garcia was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

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

- Melissa Alexis and Sophie C. were unable to attend tonight's meeting.

5.6. Chairperson's Report: Jonathan R.

- N/A



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5.7. Home & School Committee Report:

- N/A

6. Question Period

- Maria Lisa D:
 - Are parents still being asked to volunteer for field trips?
 - Yes, but for the younger grades. There is lots of staff to help at field trips so that's why volunteers are not needed for the older grades.
- Maria S.
 - Quebec field trip? How many will attend? The price is excellent, it is 10\$ cheaper than other schools.
 - Deadline to reply is the 21st for the students attending. Will know on Friday how many students will be attending.

7. Varia

7.1. End-of-Year Fun Day

- Was proposed by a GB member to use the left-over GB funds (after the graduation prizes were purchased) to help subsidize a fun day at the end of the school year, ex: have an ice cream truck.
- GB agrees to use left over funds for that purpose.
- Is there interest in the GB for parents to volunteer? 3 or 4 volunteers are needed to plan and to attend the fun day
- Date: TBC, will be during school hours
- Maris S has contacts for bouncy castles and ice cream truck.
- Budget will be GB leftover funds + funds and subsidies from the school
- Volunteers for the Planning:
 - Maris Lisa D.
 - Maria S.
 - Jonathan R.
- Nicholas R. will coordinate with the volunteers for possible dates.
- Volunteers for the Day of the Event:
 - Maria Lisa D.
 - Pardis Z.

8. Adjournment:

Adjournment time: 7:24 pm

Moved by: Maria S.

Second: Katia C.

Vote: 14:0:0

Next meeting Tuesday May 10th, 2022 (virtual).

X

Jonathan Rodrigue
Chairperson

X

Nicholas Romano
Principal