



ÉCOLE NESBITT SCHOOL

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GOVERNING BOARD - MEETING #7

Tuesday, June 14th, 2022

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	P	McLaughen, Laurie	Community Rep	
Balntas, Maria	Daycare Staff	P	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	P	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: _18_ Present (_17_ votes)		

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

Opening Time: 6:35 pm

1. Adoption of the Agenda:

- Moved by: Maria S.
Second: Sophie C.
Vote: 17:0:0

2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

2.1 Minutes from Tuesday, May 10th, 2022

- Change next meeting date to Tuesday June 14th, not June 15th
- Moved by: Todd R.
Second: Maria S.
Vote: 17:0:0

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

3.1. Major Renovations of Nesbitt School Building:

- Nicholas R:
- Not much news since last meeting
- The architectural firm is officially approved and has already been to visit the building on June 2nd.
- A sample analysis has not yet been done.
- Report will be submitted by the end of July, at which point the planning phase can begin.
- June 2023 tentative start date for renovations.



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4. New Business

4.1. Approval for 2022-2023 Budget

- English Core:
 - All funds that are for the school are placed in the English Core budget.
 - Fund 5 (Board based fund): the operating budget= \$21,598, caretaking budget= \$34,953, MAO: \$1,545
 - Fund 3 (School based fund, i.e., money collected from parents):
 - School fees: \$8,685
 - Lunch Supervision fees: \$31,838
 - Governing Board: \$250
 - TOTAL: \$98,869
- French Immersion:
 - Fund 3 (School based fund, i.e., money collected from parents):
 - School fees: \$7,205
 - Lunch Supervision fees: \$20,834
 - TOTAL: \$28,039
- TOTAL ENGLISH AND IMMERSION: \$126,908

- **Resolution for adoption of budget:**

**RESOLUTION FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE SCHOOL BUDGET
BY
THE SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 95 of the Education Act, the governing board is responsible for adopting the school's annual budget as proposed by the principal;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 96.24 of the Education Act, the school budget must maintain a balance between expenditures, on the one hand, and the financial resources allocated to the school by the school board and the school's own revenues, on the other;

_____ MOVED THAT, the governing board of Nesbitt School, adopt the school operating budget for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented by the school Principal, which forecasts revenues of \$126,908 and expenditures of \$126,908;

AND THAT the budget be submitted to the English Montreal School Board for final approval.

SCHOOL NAME : Nesbitt School

Signature : _____
Principal

Date: _____

Signature : _____
Governing Board Chair

Date: _____

- Moved by: Sophie C.
- Second: Maria S.
- Vote: 17:0:0
- Nicholas R. will send it to Jonathan R. for signature.



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4.2. Approval for PELO 2022-2023

- PELO forms will be sent in September with the student information package.
- Offers native language courses other than English and French for grades 1-6
- Need a minimum of 20 students per language
- Spanish and Italian classes are the most popular
- Moved by: Maria Lisa D.
Second: Katia C.D.
Vote: 17:0:0

4.3 Approval FOR Animal Assisted Therapy 2022-2023

- To continue the therapy in its current format with Ms. Lanni and HOBBS
- Ms. Lanni is trying to broaden the animal assisted therapy to include more animals.
- The therapy is tailored to the students.
- Would like to have another dog which would be more of a pet therapy (a dog to pet), whereas Hobbs is more for therapy with one-on-one. The new dog would be a puppy and would be Nesbitt's puppy. Hobbs would remain for one-on-one therapy whereas the puppy would be a dog that all students can pet and interact with. New dog not yet approved by the board.
- Nesbitt is the only school using this program, other schools use outside programs.
- Approval to continue the animal assisted program for next year:
- Moved by: Jerome B.G.
Second: Alessia Z.
Vote: 17:0:0

4.4 Approval for Enfant & Compagnie Lunchtime Activities (week of Oct. 3 to Nov. 25) 2022-2023

- Tabled from last GB meeting
- Prek/K: dinosaur discovery and cooking
- Cycles 1,2,3: Gift mania crafts and cooking
- Cost: \$100/student
- All levels combined: karate, prek to grade 6, in the gym, \$85/student once a week (Enfant & cie subcontracts to Di Bella)
- Maria S. will give contact for Chess activity (outside of Enfant & Cie).
- Melissa A. will look into booking with Di Bella directly for karate instead of through Enfant & Cie.
- Approval for all Enfant & Cie, EXCEPT karate (karate will be discussed and approved in the Fall):
- Moved by: Pardis Z.
Second: Maria S.
Vote: 17:0:0

4.5 Adoption of Year-End Financial Statement

- Tuesday June 21st: 100\$ gift cards will be given for graduation
- \$289 will be used for the End of Year Activity contribution



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Description	Expenses	Revenues
Funds received from the EMSB for 2021-2022		\$ 250.00
Balance remaining from 2020-2021		\$ 139.00
Deduct Expenditures:		
Office Supplies	\$	
Printing/Photocopying	\$	
Transportation	\$	
Babysitting	\$	
Meeting Refreshments	\$	
Other (please specify)		
GB Graduation Awards	\$ 100.00	
Contribution to EOY Activity Day	\$ 289.00	
TOTAL:	\$ 389.00	\$ 389.00
Balance kept in account for 2022-2023		\$ 0.00

- Moved by: Sandra L.
Second: Maria S.
Vote: 17:0:0

4.6 mTransport Implementation on Buses 2022-2023

- mTransport is an app to help improve safety when traveling on school bus and for the school to monitor the location of the buses
- Implemented in 10 EMSB schools in past 2 years. It will be Nesbitt's turn next year.
- Preparation phase: information is sent out, buss passes will have a scannable QR code but the QR will only be used months later.
- Mid-Oct to beginning Nov: we will go live, buss passes will be scanned when students get on and off the busses.
- Data collected as to whether a child got on and off the bus and tracking the location of the busses.
- No option for parents to opt out if they want to use the buss services.
- Some GB parents had serious concerns regarding privacy rights and protection of sensitive data (i.e., child's name, address, telephone number and school).

4.7 Cycliste Averti – <https://cyclisteaverti.velo.qc.ca>

- Melissa Alexis :
- A program in collaboration with Velo Quebec. Helps to sensitize children about bike safety.
- Fully subsidized, no cost to the school
- 6 hours of teaching time (theory)
- Trained cyclists come and take students out on bikes. 2 trained professionals; one in the front and one in the back, and they practice the theory of what they learned.
- Have bicycles available for children that do not have (total 26 bikes)
- Age: grades 5 & 6
- Details: 6 hours theory + 6 hours practice in a closed circuit (big gym), bike ride in the neighborhood (with bookends), and final practice exam. A certificate is awarded at the end.
- Teacher will obtain training for the 6 hours that they would need to teach.
- Nicholas R. will discuss with staff and get back to us.

5. Reports

5.1. Principal Report

- Enrollment:



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- Next Year: 294 for next year
- 21 homerooms at the moment
- Fun Day: next Monday, inflatables and La Dipperie ice cream
- Grade 6 Graduation: Next Tuesday 4p Rosemount High School, the social will be held at the Nesbitt gym.
- Parking lot fence will be moved closer to the corner of the building at no cost to Nesbitt- this week or next.
- Report cards: digital, June 23rd

5.2. Teachers Report

Prek/K: Sylvie Blain (Immersion)

- Graduation was last Thursday in class. Parents were very happy to come to the school. Students sang songs and were given certificate and cake.
- ReptiZoo this week
- This week students will visit grade 1
- Next week is Fun Day, will have a pick Nik at the park and parents will be invited to go.

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

- Last week was the InterMiel outing

Cycle 2: Anita Sacco

- Anita S. not present

Cycle 3: Sandra Lanni

- Very busy preparing for Grade 6 graduation
- Katia Co DiPietro: Jump rope for heart: \$901 was raised for Nesbitt. Today top 3 students received prizes. On Thursday, Katia and Mr. Anthony doing basketball assembly with students. All star game involving teachers, coaches and selected students.
- Grade 5: Quebec City on Friday
- Grade 6: Ottawa on Friday
- Dodgeball last day of school. The winning class will play against the teachers.
- Graduation rehearsal today.

5.3. Daycare Report: Maria Balntas

- Maria B. got disconnected from Teams.

5.4. Treasurer Report: Carolyn Garcia

- \$289 left in account. Will be spent on Fun Day next week.

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

- Melissa Alexis: the last meeting was conclusion of the year. Trying to get more parents involved, discussed the hybrid approach to meetings.

5.6. Chairperson's Report: Jonathan R.

- Jonathan R. spoke about the governing board duties, tasks, positions and members. Positions are available in September
- Thanked Nicholas R., all staff members and parents.

5.7. Home & School Committee Report:

- Nadia Barbero is present and will be talking during Varia.



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6. Question Period

7. Varia

- 7.1. Avenues for Parental Involvement at School
 - Nadia Barbero (from Home & School):
 - Discussed the role and function of H&S, duties, members
 - Over the years volunteers have been steadily decreasing. This year only her and Debbie.
 - Need more parents to be part of H&S to volunteer for events and to help raise money for the school
 - Activities they are involved in:
 - Welcome back day
 - Movie nights (in gym or outside)
 - Scholastics book fair
 - Read-a-thon
 - Gym t-shirts
 - Meetings once a month, can do online if need be
 - Volunteer time: an email is sent to all volunteers and volunteers give what they can

8. Adjournment:

Adjournment time: 8:22 pm

Moved by: Sophie C.

Second: Pardis Z.

Vote: 17:0:0

Next meeting: in October 2022 (AGM: September 27th)

X

Jonathan Rodrigue
Chairperson

X

Nicholas Romano
Principal