

AGENDA

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 - Regular Meeting – November 20, 2018
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 - 7.1. Approval – Budget Building Process
 - 7.2. Adoption – Annual Report 2017–2018
 - 7.3. Discussion – Fundraising Priorities for the 2018–2019 School Year
8. Date of Next Meeting
9. Adjournment

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jes Corbeil, Silvana Crigna, John Cloutier, Cynthia Di Rienzo, Joanne Hall, Leighton Jacobs, Tanya MacDonald, Peter Papastratis, Claudia Pulice, Lynn Watson, Angela Zambito

Members absent: Mark Côté, Hayley Juhl, Joseph Lalla, Avice Roberts-Joseph, Pierre Turcot

1. Opening Remarks

Tanya MacDonald welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 7:15 pm. Ms. MacDonald requested a volunteer Secretary for the evening due to Mr. Côté's absence. Mr. Papastratis volunteered.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Silvana Crigna proposed adding item 6.1.6. Ministry disbursements. Angela Zambito moved to adopt the agenda as amended by Ms. Crigna. Cynthia Di Rienzo seconded.

Adopted unanimously.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Last Meeting

Cynthia Di Rienzo moved to adopt the minutes of November 20, 2018, Governing Board meeting minutes as presented. Lynn Watson seconded. **Adopted with 2 abstentions.**

4. Public Question Period

No questions.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

5.1. Chair's Comments

Tanya MacDonald informed the GB that the EMSB has cancelled plans to open a Francais Plus school in the St. Ignatius building. Instead they have offered the option of annexing the space for k-grade2 to the governing boards of Willingdon, Merton and Edinburgh. They have asked that the boards indicate their interest to the EMSB Council of Commissioners by February 20th, 2019 and a decision will be made then.

6. Reports

6.1. Principal's Report

6.1.1. Sexuality Education Program

The elementary sexuality education curriculum plan 2018-2019 was presented to GB. Per a review from Ms. Crigna all items are in order at this time. After approval of the plan the next step is training of all participating staff, St-Monica staff will additionally receive coded training. The next step is a letter home to the parents and posting of the plan online, in the next 2 weeks, for the St-Monica community. Items will be introduced March to May. Mr. Cloutier inquired if the plan is identical to all schools – Ms. Crigna replied it is the same plan for French and English schools. Angela Zambito moved for adoption of the plan, John Cloutier seconded. **Adopted with 1 abstention.**

6.1.2. Budget

A work in progress document was presented to the GB. After GB approval and finalization of all budget items a completed budget document will be available.

Fund 23237 Support to parents was discussed for suggestions. Ms. Di Rienzo proposed polling the parents for topics or themes important to the parent community. Mr. Papastratis proposed the Kindergarten preparatory cards the GB viewed in April 2018. Ms. Crigna proposed Workshops with the topics to be decided later. John Cloutier moved to approve the workshops Claudia Pulice seconded. Workshops **Adopted unanimously.**

Fund 23325 The GB thanks Mr. Jacobs for his contributions to student life and student initiatives.

M15170 Direct services to students; proposals included: Career Fair for Gr6, Mad Science activity day, Promoting Reading, Intercultural speaker, Robotics and coding.

Leighton Jacobs moved for adoption of the proposed budget, Joanne Hall seconded. **Adopted unanimously**

6.1.3. Educational Project

MESA was discontinued. The new process involves consultations with all school staff. There is also a meeting scheduled to consult with parents, Feb 4 2018 6pm to 8pm. An EMSB video was presented to the GB outlining the goals of the Educational Project. A submission is required by April 15 2019. The collated consultations will be presented for approval at the March GB meeting.

6.1.4. Spiritual Animator

More information at the March GB meeting

6.1.5. Measure 15170

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Leighton Jacobs moved for adoption of the proposed budget, Joanne Hall seconded.
Adopted unanimously

6.1.6 CollecteInfo

Attestation by Principal Silvana Crigna of \$107,671 of funds allocated

6.2. Commissioner's Report

No report submitted.

6.3. Regional Delegate's Report

There were two e-votes; one on the Outreach/Focus Consultation brief and on the Westmount Park School relocation brief. A vote to repeal the previous sex-education program to allow for the implementation of the upcoming sexual education plan. A vote to select members for the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee.

There was a presentation concerning EMSB security and lockdown practices at EMSB schools. A discussion around lockdown practices ensued that occupied the remainder of the evening.

6.4. Teachers' Report

Skating sessions have begun, and the basketball teams continue to excel. Winter carnival is being planned and a date is pending. ASD classes will be going with the other classes on field trips. The GB thanks Claudia Pulice for her contributions to student life.

6.5. Daycare Report

A mailing will be going out to parents outlining that the MEES has increased daycare fees by the consumer price index (Quebec) effective January 1 2019. Regular daycare status will be \$8.35, \$9 pedagogical days. Sporadic Daycare use will be \$8.35 mornings, \$11 afternoons, \$11 morning+afternoon, \$9 pedagogical days.

6.6. PPO Report

Tanya MacDonald proposed extending the meeting until 9:15, Peter Papastratis seconded. **Adopted with 1 opposed.**

Our first dress down day in November went well, earning \$296.70. Totals for the December pizza lunch as well as the Book Fair are not yet available.

PPO funds have been used to purchase 3 folding tables for the school, costing \$172.42.

Basketball uniforms were also purchased for \$2,897.37.

The GB and Mr. Jacobs thank the PPO for the new uniforms.

Graduation sub committee has met, and grade 6 students have submitted sweater sizes (with a preference for XXL). As well, a survey will be sent to the students to determine their preference for the grad celebrations. Some teachers have also ordered sweaters-hoodies.

Plans have been made for Staff Appreciation Week, to take place between February 4th and 8th, 2019. As in previous years, a letter has been sent to parents asking for food contributions for the week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Open House	Jan. 24, 2019
Pizza Lunch	Jan. 30, 2019
Staff Appreciation Week	Feb. 4-8, 2019

7. New Business

John Cloutier proposed extending the meeting until 9:30, Jes Corbeil seconded. **Adopted with 1 opposed.**

7.1. Approval – Budget Building Process

Ms. Crigna

Budget Building Process for 2019-2020 - Budget Priorities:

1. Increase the Special Education Attendants and Technician (A&T) allocation; include all difficulty codes in the allocation formula.
2. New and recurring funding for anti-bullying and socio-emotional curriculum initiatives.
3. Increase building improvement allocation and prioritize the following areas for capital investment:
 - a. Senior and junior yard grounds improvements.
 - b. Locker replacement
4. Increase Documentation Technician allocation by a minimum of 0.5 days per week.

Leighton Jacobs moved for approval of the budget priorities, Angela Zambito seconded. **Adopted unanimously.**

7.2. Approval – Annual Report 2017–2018

Tabled to next meeting.

7.3. Discussion – Fundraising priorities for 2018-2019 school year

No outstanding.

8. Date of Next Meeting

There will be special Governing Board meeting to be held on February 4, 2019, after the parent consultation meeting, at 8pm.


9. Adjournment

Cynthia Di Rienzo moved that the meeting be adjourned. John Cloutier seconded.

Adopted unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 pm.



Silvana Crigna
Principal



Tanya MacDonald
Chairperson