

St. Monica Elementary School

Governing Board Minutes – Regular Meeting

Tuesday March 22nd 2022, 7:00 PM– virtual meeting

ATTENDANCE:

Silvana Crigna, John Cloutier, Nadine Joy Collins (19h38), Cynthia Di Renzo
Jesse Corbeil, Jasmine Guillaume, Joanne Hall, , Natasha Saltarelli, Deema
Qasrawi, Jennifer Young, Angela Zambito Lynn Watson (19h08)

1. Opening Remarks

Jesse Corbeil called the meeting to order at 19h05
John Cloutier (for the grad committee) and Natasha Saltarelli (Chair of PPO)
were joining us.

2. Adoption of agenda

Silvana Crigna: addition parent workshops 5.1.2

Adoption of Agenda
Moved by Angela Zambito
Seconded by Jennifer Young
Unanimously approved

3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting

Change: signature lines will be added and the logo.

Approval of minutes of February 15th 2022
Moved by Cynthia Di Rienzo
Seconded Deema Quaraswi
Unanimously approved

4. Business arising from the minutes

No business

5. Reports

5.1. Principal reports

5.1.1. School Updates

Silvana Crigna:

- moving in positive direction with pandemic restrictions being revised.
- Kindness Campaign was launched in February, involved selected ambassadors from each class and students recognised for their acts of kindness.
- Increase in social media, our exposure is positive, daily post is working well for us
- March madness music theme initiative is school wide based on favorite songs chosen. Great student and staff participation.
- Lunch clubs are now running
- Student football workshop is working well full participation
- School outings have begun and future ones being planned.
- Students talent showcased through art displays, reading book projects, choir, talent show etc.
- Art activities for pre-school classes went well.
- Transition to high school sessions for grade 6 students going well – students engaged and benefiting from the preparation as well as the guidance towards personal self-confidence and well-being.

5.1.2. Parent workshops

Silvana Crigna: First one will be on nutrition with EMSB dietician April 19th at 7pm: information will be sent to parents next week. Others are being finalized and will have more information at next meeting. One or two related to coping skills and anxiety.

5.2. Commissioner's Report

Mr. Lalla is absent

5.3. Regional Delegate's Report

Jennifer Young:

- There was a moment of silence for Thomas Trudel.
- Parents conference date changed for May 29th (virtual).

- Budget building process.
- Increase current staffing ratio and adjust staffing ratio for professionals.
- Invest and improve in development of programs, resources and mental health.
- Increase funding for literacy in all cycles.
- Investment in new technology in all schools.
- School calendar 2022-2023: Parents have started a petition for November 1st to become a school board ped day.
- Discussion about not scheduling ped days after the holidays. It will be discussed at the schools Governing Boards. The calendar will be discussed and planned with staff council and will be put to the Governing Boards for approbation.
- Tool kits finalises and sent to all parents.
- EPCA report about Allô prof: by June, English services will be offered for mathematics and science, and by next year all subjects will be available. A detailed symposium will take place on May 29th 2022.

5.4. Teacher's Report

Cynthia Di Rienzo: pre-K have an art specialist teacher for activities to develop art appreciation; Skating was a success and is done for the year; Sun Youth is back for all grades. Kindness Campaign every classroom picked an ambassador, was an interesting activity and contributed to school theme for the year.

5.5. Daycare Report

Angela Zambito: last Ped Day March 11 - health and fitness, races, fresh orange juice,
Grade 5 activities with daycare: seedling sale, sport brawl

5.6. PPO and Graduation Committee Report

Natasha Saltarelli for PPO:

- March in Verdun March 18th people lunches.
- No more dress down days to come.
- Pizza lunches.
- Junior Yard funding goal voted on as project for PPO.

Silvana Crigna: project junior school yard project approve, play area in junior yard will cleaned up; from the construction that's been going on

Natasha: Family Fun Night is not possible right now but PPO is still looking at suppliers in order to be ready when it is possible to do it again.

John Cloutier: for graduation committee

1. Request for fundraising:
 1. TCBY every second Friday
 2. dress down day every second Friday
 3. raffle
 4. bake sale

2. Grad committee also plans to:
 1. decorate
 2. ask the parents for pictures of kids to project, names
 3. space for storage for material used

A meeting will be set with principal Crigna to go over all procedural questions

3. Discussion on fundraising: frequency, agenda, cost.

Grad committee will send to Miss Crigna, the Chair of GB and the Chair of PPO the amount needed by grad committee, details on raffle and PPO contribution will be revisited accordingly.

Motion the Grad committee fundraising event as listed be approved

1. TCBY April 29th
2. May 20th Dress Down 1\$
3. June 8th second TCBY
4. Raffle over the month of May

**Moved by Angela Zambito
Seconded Lynn Watson
Unanimously Approved**

5.7. Treasure's Report.

Jennifer Young: dinner for the GB was tabled, if dinner is possible budget will be evaluated to start organising.

5.8. Community Representative Report

Nadine Joy Collins: St-Monica students have been participating in activities. Readings for black history month was successful. Pop art program, few spots for music program opened Monday Tuesday 5 PM, Open gym 10\$ for the year. Day camp information will be passed around.

5.9. Marketing report

Silvana Crigna: Social media has increase, exposure has increase, meeting in April for follow up

6. Public question period

No public

7. New Business

No new business

8. Date of next meeting

Tuesday April 12, 2021, 7 PM

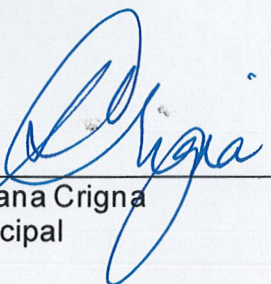
9. Adjournment

Adjournment of the meeting at 20h36

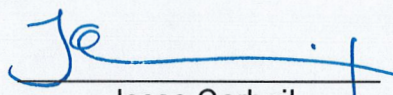
Moved by Jennifer

Seconded by Deema

end of meeting



Silvana Crigna
Principal



Jesse Corbeil
Chairperson