



Commission scolaire English-Montréal  
English Montreal School Board

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### 2024 – 2025 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

**Monday, February 3, 2025**  
**St. Monica Elementary School**  
**7:00 p.m | Virtual**

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Andrew Mangal, Principal, Jesse Corbeil, Elena Raznovan, Anne Doan,  
Leighton Jacobs, Margaret Ford, Lynn Watson, Joanne Hall, Nicholas  
Sitaras

**REGRETS:** Jennifer Young, Karen Bejjani, Sharon Nelson

#### **1. Opening Remarks**

1. **Jesse Corbeil calls the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.** and delivers welcoming remarks.

#### **2. Adoption of Agenda**

- Moved: Elena Raznovan
- Second: Anne Doan
- **Unanimously approved.**

#### **3. Approval of Minutes from the last meeting (January 13, 2025)**

- Moved: Nicholas Sitaras
- Second: Lynn Watson
- **Unanimously approved.**

#### **4. Business Arising from the Minutes: None**

#### **5. Public question period: None**

#### **6. Reports**

##### **6.1. Principal's Report**



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- **January Events**

- Open House and Literacy Night was a good event and the steel pan concert was a big hit but not enough people attended. Only 6 families came. Will revisit to revamp

1. **Educational Project Strategies**

Motion to approve the six strategies in alignment with our objectives.

- Moved: Joanne Hall
- Second: Elena Raznovan
- **Unanimously approved.**

2. **Anti-Bullying/Anti-Violence Plan**

Motion to approve strategies

- Moved: Elena Raznovan
- Second: Nicholas Sitaras
- **Unanimously approved.**

3. **Annual 2024-2025 Budget**

The budget is balanced – no deficit or surplus.  
Motion to adopt strategies.

- Moved: Joanne Hall
- Second: Lynn Watson
- **Unanimously approved.**

4. **Staff Appreciation 2024-2025**

Next week is staff appreciation (Feb 10 to Feb 14). Parents can bring in anything for all staff to show appreciation.

6.2. **Commissioner's Report:** None

6.3. **Regional Delegate's Report:** None

6.4. **Teacher's Report**

- Leighton Jacobs
  - Winter Carnival on Feb 14. Big thanks to Margaret Ford for bringing it to life.
- Lynn Watson
  - Black History Month has a passport of flags that the kids are making.



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- Ms. Allison's class is going to a rally on Feb 14 connected to Hooked on Schools
  - February is a heavy month with events, report cards and interviews.
- 6.5. **Daycare Report:** Andrew Mangal
- Daycare Technician role is filled but there is a delay in start date.
  - Ashley and Val really stepped up to fill in gaps.
- 6.6. **PPO Report:** Joanne Hall & Nicholas Sitaras
- Set the 4 next dates for the pizza lunch fundraiser – first Wednesday of the month.
  - Free dress day on the last Fridays of the month starting in February.
  - Organized used uniforms sale.
  - Lessons learned: PPO should have a table, along with the GB during Open House.
  - Motion to approve the planned PPO activities as presented.
    - First: Lynn Watson
    - Second: Joanne Hall
    - **Unanimously approved.**
- 6.7. **Grad Committee report**
- Sock Hop Dance on February 14 with the theme of Snow Ball.
  - Valentine's candy grams fundraiser.
- 6.8. **Treasurer's report:** None
- Discuss possibility of creating an award for the graduating class with part of the budget next meeting.
- 6.9. **Promotional campaign:** None
- 6.10. **Terrebonne Bike Path Subcommittee**
- Recommended plan:
    - Step 1: Collect footage that illustrates parents' safety concerns.



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- Step 2: Write an email on behalf of the GB to Despina Sourias, City Counsellor, with our safety concerns and ask for a meeting to review the footage. Ask Ms. Sourias to present the GB with solutions that would address our concerns.
- Step 3: Meet with Ms. Sourias and provide a deadline of 2 weeks to present her solutions.
- Next steps: Collection of footage by Anne and Elena – and a draft email to be presented to GB for approval that include school statistics.

#### **7. Principal selection criteria**

Moved by Mr. Corbeil to delay this discussion to the March GB meeting.

- First: Lynn Watson
- Second: Leighton Jacobs
- **Unanimously approved.**

#### **8. New Business**

9. **Date of next meeting:** March 10, 2025 at 7 pm., virtual on Zoom

10. **Adjournment** at 8:50 p.m. by Mr. Corbeil.

- **Motion is moved** by Leighton Jacobs and seconded by Lynn Watson.

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**Jesse Corbeil**, Chairperson

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**Andrew Mangal**, Principal