Willingdon School Annual General Assembly

Minutes from the Annual General Assembly meeting held Thursday, September 8th, 2022 in the gymnasium, at Willingdon School, 5870 Terrebonne, Montreal, QC

Attendance: Silvana Crigna, Cornelia Mandoiu, Eugenia Carystios, Aurora Flewwelling-Skup, Eric Lamoureux, Karyn Moffatt, Lucas Reindler, Laura Primiano, Karen Kleinhauer, Daniel Quinn and see attached list for entrance sign-in.

1. Opening and Welcome

Principal Silvana Crigna welcomed the parents to the meeting and introduced the outgoing president of the Governing Board, Aurora Flewwelling-Skup, who said the Land Acknowledgement. Principal Crigna also introduced Vice-Principal Eugenia Carystios and Vice Principal Cornelia Mandoiu. She also thanked EMSB Councilman Joseph Lalla for his attendance. She explained the Willingdon culture to the assembly.

2. Approval of Agenda

Principal Crigna presented the agenda for the evening. Eric Lamoureux moved its approval. Laura Primiano seconded. Approved by consensus.

3. Election of Secretary.

Eric Lamoureux volunteered to take the minutes for the meeting.

4. Nomination of 2 Scrutineers

Danica Meredith and Megan Donovan were the parents nominated as scrutineers in the event of an election being required for Governing Board seats.

5. Approval of minutes of the previous General Assembly, from September 17, 2021

Laura Primiano moved the approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly. Lucas Reindler seconded. Approved by consensus.

6. Presentation of the roles and responsibilities of the Governing Board

Principal Crigna and Aurora Flewwelling-Skup presented and explained the roles and responsibilities of each Governing Board officer and member, including the addition of a new representative to represent the new daycare service at the school.

7. Governing Board Nominations

7.1 Election of new parent members for vacant positions.

Principal Crigna explained that there were 3 parent positions open for election to 2-year terms, to work with returning parents Laura Primiano, Lucas Riendler and Matt Follett. The following parents were nominated: Aurora Flewwelling-Skup, Eric Lamoureux and Karyn Moffatt. With not other parents stepping forth, nominations were closed. Daniel Quinn moved the election of the 3 parents nominated, seconded by Tracy Lyall. Approved by consensus.

7.2 Election of 2 substitute parent members to the Governing Board.

The following parents nominated themselves as substitute parent members, in the event that elected parents could not attend a Governing Board meeting: Karen Kleinhauer and Daniel Quinn. Lucas moved the election of these substitute parent members and Karyn Moffatt seconded. Approved by consensus.

8. EMSB Parents' Committee

8.1 Election of delegate from among the Governing Board Parent Representatives.

Aurora Flewwelling-Skup nominated herself as delegate to the EMSB Parents' Committee. Eric Lamoureux moved her election and Laura Primiano seconded. Approved by consensus.

8.2 Election of alternate delegate from among the Governing Board Parent Representatives.

Lucas Reindler nominated himself as alternate delegate to the EMSB Parents' Committee. Eric Lamoureux moved his election and Laura Primiano seconded. Approved by consensus.

9. Parent Participation Organization (PPO)

There was some discussion as to the nature of the PPO at Willingdon, given that in the past several years, the community had considered its Parents' Advisory Committee to fulfill this role, and the Home and School to be a permanent, ongoing part of the school, counter to the rules of the EMSB. In the end, it was decided to vote for the formation of a PPO, and to consider the PAC to be a subcommittee of the Home and School Association. With that understanding, Eric Lamoureux moved the formation of a PPO at Willingdon, seconded by Karyn Moffatt. Approved by consensus.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15.

Respectfully submitted by Eric Lamoureux

Silvana Crigna

Principal

Aurora Flewwelling-Skup

Chairperson (2021-2022 GB)