

Willingdon School
GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA
Thursday October 12, 2023
6:30pm on TEAMS

Present: Carmen Nicolas, Peter Mckelvie, Eugenia Carystios, Kathleen Usher, Laura Primiano, Alex Ruaux, Aurora Flewwelling-Skup, Nick Batzios, Lisa Collymore, Daniel Quinn, Monique Imbeau, Joseph Lalla, Karyn Moffatt, Karen Kleihauer, Nadine Collins, Natasha Holden, Christina Prentas, Jonathan Stein.

Regrets: Halah Al-Ubaidi & Kristin McNeil

1. Principal's remarks / Land acknowledgement

Written by grade 6 students read by Dr. Kat
Introduction of members

2. Appointment of secretary:

Laura P. volunteered to take the minutes for this meeting
Passed as unanimous

3. Approval of agenda

Nadine C. asked to add the community rep report, it was added to the agenda.

Moved by Kathleen U.

Seconded by Nick B.

Passed as unanimous

4. Approval of June 13th, 2023 minutes

Moved by Karen K.

Seconded by Nick B.

Passed as unanimous

5. Elections

a. Election of the chair: Daniel Quinn nominated himself.

Moved by Christina P

Seconded by Aurora

Passed as unanimous

b. Aurora nominated herself as vice chair.

Moved by Karen K

Seconded by Daniel Q.

Passed as unanimous

c. Election of treasurer: Laura nominated herself.

Governing Board members will be helping to decide how the parents will be surveyed: format and questions.

Willingdon will align itself with the School Board's success plan.

An online Google Form was suggested as a means of collecting data. Nadine C. suggested providing parents with an alternate format for those who cannot access the internet and have a suggestion box area as well.

The survey will be mentioned in a Friday email and the link provided on another date. The survey will be available for a 48-hour window.

Moved by Nick B.

Seconded by Karen K.

Passed as unanimous

7. Question period:

No questions

8. Reports:

a. Principal:

Carmen N. apologizes that Home & School was not invited to tonight's meeting.

Report:

Enrolment: 521 students on September 30th, 2023

144 at senior

30 homerooms

5 preschool classes to begin the year, a new K4/K5 opened last week

117 on IEPs

60 coded students

Clientele is changing and students are experiencing more needs, school is working to continue to support all students.

40 teachers-still missing 1

13 support staff-still missing 3

2 secretaries at junior campus

1 secretary at senior campus

3 administrators

4 caretakers

9 Base staff members, they are still missing 3 educators

12 extra lunch monitors (other than Base employees)

1 Wilson tutors were just hired

3 tutors hired for other needs

9 professional staff members (ex: social worker, psychologist etc...)

102 total staff members

Jon S. reported that the girls will continue their soccer tournament at LCC.

f. BASE Daycare

Lisa C. reported that Base is running smoothly despite still needing 3 educators, the lunch monitors have been filling in.

Looking into bringing in some new programs for future ped days.

g. PAC

Alex R. has nothing new to report for the moment.

h. EMSB Parents' Committee Representative

She is at the Parent's committee meeting so not in attendance.

i. School Commissioner

Mr. Lalla reported that Holocaust education will become compulsory in schools. No judgement on bill 21.

Bill 40 has been approved (school boards still govern English schools), but was appealed by the government, pending a conclusive decision.

Bike path proposal on Terrebonne: no consultation occurred; the bike paths have been removed despite markings still being on the road. The borough mayor informed Mr. Lalla that the issue will come up again. He asked Willingdon's Governing Board if they would like 1 bike path on one side or 2 on each side or status quo.

Daniel Q. suggests that it be moved to another meeting to discuss in length. Will be discussed at another meeting.

j. community Rep

Nadine C. provided a detailed report with many community activities taking place.

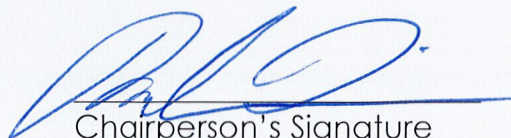
9. Adjournment

Moved by Aurora

8:55pm



Principal's Signature



Chairperson's Signature