

Evergreen Elementary Governing Board Meeting Minutes November 2, 2023, 6:30pm

Present: Daniel Olivenstein, Jaimie Boosamra, John Graham, John Riley, Lindsay Reid, Lucy Filiatrault,

Marisa Furino, Rebecca Cobden-Nolan, Richard Thorpe, Silke Sas, Suzy Racine

Administration: Adam Lambert – Principal, Evergreen

1. Call to order.

a) In-person meeting called to order at 6:33 pm by A. Lambert.

2. Land acknowledgement

a) "In order to show our deep respect for the land on which we are meeting today, we would like to acknowledge that Lester B. Pearson School Board is located on the unceded territory of the Kanien'kehá:ka People. Lester B. Pearson School Board honors, recognizes, and respects the Kanien'kehá:ka People as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today and recognizes that this land has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst nations. We also acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and commit to informing ourselves about this truth in order to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of collaboration and reconciliation. Thank you. Niá:wen."

3. Election of Chairperson

a) J. Graham

4. Appointment of Secretary

a) S. Racine

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve proposed by Ms. Boosamra and seconded by Ms. Reid Motion carried.

6. Approval of minutes from June 13, 2023

Motion to approve proposed by L. Filiatrault and seconded by R. Cobden-Nolan Motion carried.

7. Reports

- a) Principal's Report
 - Sept. 30 attestation 333 students
 - Sept. 20 ultimate frisbee
 - Orange shirt day
 - Dental sealant checkup was at the end of September and sealant service in October.
 - Terry Fox Oct. 6 \$ / 14 staff pie in the face
 - Cross country run occurred on October 17
 - Halloween
 - Remembrance Day celebration will take place on November 10.
- **b)** Service Contracts
 - Francization
 - Homework \$2,100 will be used for work with students in K4, K5, 1 for 'aide aux parents' / 7 days of support
 - A l'école on bouge \$7,000 to hire a person to assist the school to become more active. The plan includes hiring Ms. Gaby to work five days a week versus a 78% schedule.

Motion to approve proposed by L. Reid and seconded by R. Cobden-Nolan Motion carried.

c) Field Trips

• Ratify Grade 6 Mont Rigaud Trip – October 16

Motion to approve proposed by L. Filiatrault and seconded by J. Boosamra Motion carried.

d) Fundraisers

• Orders in by the first week of Dec to allow delivery before year end.

Motion to approve proposed by M. Furino and seconded by S. Racine Motion carried.

- e) Grad Activities hoodies; students sized.
 - Agropur cheeses at a discount / make \$10 per box.
 - Orders in by the first week of Dec to allow delivery before year end.

Motion to approve proposed by M. Furino and seconded by S. Racine Motion carried.

- **f)** Teachers' reports
 - Terry Fox goal met.
 - Term 1 evaluation ongoing
- **g)** Parent representative
 - The first meeting is on November 2 with training on GB meeting protocol, Rob's rules, etc.
- h) Commissioner's Report
 - Schoolboard with student commissioners, students from secondary schools and students on IEP are invited to join SNAC meeting.
 - Two new schools off island
 - One school is reaching final stage with a planned opening within 2 years. It will not be in St-Lazare.
 - Searching for a second elementary school planned in the next 4-5yrs as the region has expanding population.
 - New schools will result in new boundaries.
 - The Transco bus strike did not impact off island service.
 - QESBA

- Bill 40; won in court French = directly run by ministry DGs report to ministry / English DGs report to school board = next stage
- Bill 23 allows the Minister of Education selection of DG and overrule the school board.
- i) Daycare Report
 - none
- j) Community Representative
 - none
- k) Home & School Report
 - Pizza and TCBY
 - First meeting was in mid-September to elect executive.

8. Business arising

a) GB meeting will occur on the last Tuesday of every month.

9. New Business

- a) Internal Rules of Management
 - 2 Km Evergreen Radius
 - (a) Teachers can take students on the boardwalk and Westwood Jr. Staff required to inform parents 48 hours in advance.

Motion to approve proposed by J. Boosamra and seconded by R. Thorpe Motion carried.

- **b)** Consultation on By-Law 9 Complaint Process
- c) Consultation on Policy on School Daycare and Lunch Program
- d) Consultation on School and Continuing Education Fees Policy

10. Correspondence

a) None

11. Public Question Period

a) None

12. Date and time of next meeting(s)

November 28, 2023 @ 6:30pm

13. Adjournment

Motion to **adjourn at** 7:28pm proposed by M. Furino and seconded by R. Thorpe.

Motion carried.