

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD

Thursday February 22, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Melanie Hébert (parent), Whitney Lee (parent), Julie McGoldrick (parent), Ryan Martin (parent), David Burrige (parent), Tara McGuire (teacher), Andrea Truffa (teacher), Nadine Thomas (daycare), Carol Clifton (support staff), Natalie Sztych (support staff), Emilie Jacques (Community Representative-St. Columba House), Ahlia Mathura (Community Representative-Action Gardien), Jim Daskalakis (principal),

Regrets/Absent: None

Guest: Peter Giser (parent)

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda (correction date should read Thursday)

David Burrige approves the agenda, seconded by Andrea Truffa.

Unanimous

2. Approval of the minutes from the February 22, 2024, meeting and business arising.

Julie McGoldrick approves the minutes and business arising of the February 22, 2024, meeting, seconded by Tara McGuire, with correction to 6.1, it should read 2024.

Unanimous

2.1 Educational Project

This document outlines a five-year plan set-up for the school. It highlights the school, its programs as well as the community. It concentrates on three academic objectives: Mathematics, English and French and what strategies the school will put into place to help students' success.

Julie McGoldrick moves to accept the Educational Project, seconded by Whitney Lee.

2.2 Criteria of a Principal

Melanie Hébert will finish tweaking document with the new additions/changes and email it to EMSB

2.3 Budget Building

Modifications and changes were proposed, however, this discussion will be tabled to the next meeting on March 21, 2024 so more time can be given to think about the different priorities and their relevance to the school and the board.

2.4 School Fees

A discussion was held, and it was decided that School fees for K4 and K5 would remain at 30.00\$/student and Grades 1-6 would remain at 65.00\$/student for 2024-2025.

Lunch Fees will also remain status quo at 275.00\$/student for the 2024-2025 school year.

Parents asked for an open discussion concerning the relevance of an agenda. Discussion tabled for another time.

3. A word from the Chair:

3.1 Other Information: NIL

3.2 Correspondence: Annual Reports are available

4. Period reserved for non-members of the board:

Gabriel and Simon from Action Gardien gave an update on the Wellington Street Survey project. It is still in the consultation process so if the community has any other ideas, concerns they can contact Action Gardien. The goal is to make the Wellington Street more safe and secure.

5. Reports

5.1 Consultations and Decisions: NIL

5.2 Information

5.2.1 Report from Principal

- Perseverance Week, Friendship Week, Black History Month are all events occurring in February.
- Carnival Day will take place on February 22, 2024.
- Staff Appreciation Week went well. Staff enjoyed all the treats.
- Movie Night was an enjoyable family experience.
- March 22, 2024 Pedagogical Day will now be regular day and April 8, 2024 will now become an Pedagogical with no Daycare. This due to the Eclipse on that date.
- March is designated as Nutrition Month.
- Report Cards will be available on Mosaik, February 27, 2024.
- Pink Shirt Day will take place on February 28, 2024.
- The February 10, 2024, Irish Dancing Feis was well received, and medals were brought home by many.

5.2.2 Report from Teachers

- Carnival Day went well.
- Hockey Game between Teachers vs Students was great fun for all.
- Are now working on Graduation.
- Friendship Week is coming up.
- Transitions Class are working on a book with an author.

- 5.2.3 Report from Parent Committee Delegate
- School Board meeting was mainly about Budget Building and its Process.

- 5.2.4 Report from Daycare
- Tax Receipts will be available through the Mosaik App.
 - Registration for Daycare will take place in April and staffing will occur in May.

5.2.5 Report from Community Representatives:

Action Gardien

- Registration for Summer Camp will take place on March 12, 2024, at the Lorne Street Centre.
- Tentative Date for Book Parade with Grades K4, K5 and Grade 1 is in May 28, 2024.
- New Community Resource Guide is now available.

St. Columba House

- Day Camp registration will take place online on April 10, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.
- New Youth Worker Facilitator Fred Erik has been hired.
He will be continuing with the Sex and Health Program at St. Gabriel School.

5.2.6 Report from PPO

- BINGO NIGHT is being organized for April.

5.2.7 Report from Home and School

- Distributed Valentine treats to all the students.
- Still looking into a Paint Night Fundraiser for parents and children.
- Getting ready for St. Patrick's Day Festivities.
- 18 students participated on February 10, 2024, Irish Dancing Feis and brought back a number of medals.
- On March 17, 2024, the school Irish Dancers will be performing at Batiment 7.


6 Business Arising: NIL

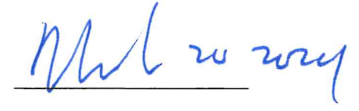
7 Adjournment Date Place and Time of Meeting

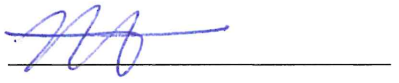
Carol Clifton moves to adjourn, seconded by Andrea Truffa.
Unanimous

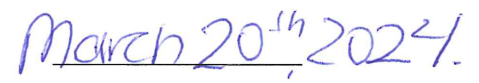
Next Meeting to be held on March 21, 2024, at St. Gabriel School for 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


Principal


Date


Chairperson-Governing Board


Date