



Clearpoint Elementary School

Governing Board Minutes of Meeting

Written by: Athanasios Tsiabouris

Location: Clearpoint Elementary	Date: September 08, 2016	Time: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
<p>Attendees GB Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alberto Sanchez • Allison Saunders • Athanasios Tsiabouris • Diana Grenier • Rachel Wilson • Laura Lewis • Wilhelm Mang 	<p>Attendees Parents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Stejskal • Rachel Wilson • Sazini Nzula • Suzanne Larkin • Tass Fayon • Wayne Clifford • Louise Sudia • Cathy Sheppard 	<p>Absent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eleanor Arless

Agenda

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome 2. Approval of the Agenda 3. Approval of the Last Minutes 4. Public Question Period 5. Correspondence 6. Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Principal b. Teacher c. Daycare d. Home & School e. Commissioner f. Region Parent Rep | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Business Arising <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. IB update 8. New Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Pizza Lunch b. Birthday celebrations c. End of year Pool Day (Paul S) 9. Date of Next Meeting 10. Adjournment |
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1. Welcome
2. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Approved by Louise Sudia & Tassie Fayon
3. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. Approved by Louise Sudia & Wilhelm Mang
4. Public Question Period
 - a. N/A
5. Correspondence
 - a. N/A

6. Reports

a. Principal – Rachel Wilson

- i. Balloon Parade – Great success,
 1. Jim & Betty Mackinnon (long time LBPSB mentors) were in attendance
 2. RD Dave Meloche was present
 3. Sarah Larkin was invited and present (had the idea of the balloon parade/first time at event)

- ii. New Teachers:
 - Kim Villarroel – K,
 - Jessica Eagleton – M,
 - Dahlia Singh, 2 &3,
 - Miranda Tubbeh – 4,
 - Vanessa Motter – 6,
 - Jessica Biondi – 6.

- iii. K teachers did very well with their gradual entry – really successful procedure for the students and the families.

- iv. There are 408 Students registered for the year

- v. Clothing will be ordered the upcoming week

- vi. Grad Committee to meet next week

- vii. Photo day was today
 1. Turn around time of 10 days
 2. Retakes will take place on October 25th

- viii. September 22nd and 23rd are ped. Days
 1. 23rd is an IEP day

- ix. 3 students teachers coming in for Kindergaten from Concordia

- x. October 19th, Parents' evening night (for IB)

- xi. 142 chromebooks to start the year

- xii. Due to new Kindergaten classes, acquired new furniture from Thorndale and LCCHS

- xiii. GAFE permissions were sent out to all new students and all grade 3 students.
 1. almost 100% of our students in Cycle 2 and 3 using Google

- xiv. Library Tech is Wendy Andrews and will be here on Wednesdays. She will be starting with coordinating volunteers in the next week. She has been coordinating library schedules with the teachers.

- b. Teacher Reports
 - i. Grade 6 – Cathy Sheppard
 - 1. Meet teacher
 - ii. Physical Education:
 - 1. Terry Fox Run
 - 2. Touch football for 5-6 starts 12-Sep
 - iii. Kindergarten: Diana Grenier & Suzanne Larkin
 - 1. Diane wanted to thank all the parents for all they do
- c. Daycare – Tass Fyon
 - i. 167 students registered in Daycare
 - ii. Aim to invoice tomorrow
 - iii. In the process of hiring additional staff
 - 1. 3 openings
 - a. 1 via the board
 - b. 2 will be interviewed/hired by Rachel & Tass
 - c. Subs are assisting for the moment
 - iv. Daycare is spread out around the school
 - 1. 9 daycare classes from K to Grade 6
 - v. Sporadic and drop-in Daycare fees increased to 13\$
 - vi. Daycare fees remain at 8.10\$
 - 1. Will increase in January
 - vii. Lunch fees are the same
 - 1. Invoicing has changed to 1.95/day as opposed to 35\$/month due to strike days
 - viii. 2 Ped days coming up
- d. Home & School
 - i. Pizza Lunch
 - 1. Has been decided that this will happen every second Tuesday
 - ii. Lunch Time activities
 - ***All in favour - All Approved***
- e. Commissioner - Wayne Clifford
 - i. See Below
- f. Region Parents Rep - Allison Saunders
 - i. See Below (2015-2016 Annual Report – Regional Parents & Elementary School Network)
 - ii. More information is on the CPC Facebook page
 - <https://www.facebook.com/centralparents.lbpsb>

7. Business Arising

- a. AGA:
 - i. Special needs issue : Waiting for answer from Steve Belane
 - 1. Clarification on future GB composition as it pertains to explicit special needs parent representation
 - ii. Proxy Voting
 - 1. Must be present to vote

8. New Business

- a. End of year Pool Day (Paul S):
 - i. Issues regarding ration and overall safety
 - ii. Rachel & Bill will follow up with the President
 - iii. Alberto motioned to end conversation and was second by Tass
- b. Birthday celebrations
 - i. Foods and allergy awareness
- c. Eleanor no longer community rep
 - ii. Allison's Father will be asked to fill in
- d. EMSB publicity
- e. Alumni Night
 - i. Proposal by Tom to setup an Alumni Night
 - ii. Potential fundraiser
 - iii. Marketing Potential for Clearpoint & LBPSB
- f. Library Funding

11. Next Meeting

- a. Oct 12, 2016

12. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm

Commissioner's Report September 2016

There have been 2 Regular Meetings of the Council of Commissioners of the Lester B. Pearson School Board since our last G.B. Meeting.

The last of the 2015-16 academic year, held Monday, June 27, 2016 was well attended because it revisited the Resolutions on Major School Change - regarding the closure of Lakeside Academy and Riverview Elementary School and Council voted to overturn this resolution and instead of postponing the decision to December 2016 Council voted unanimously to keep the schools open to allow for adequate planning for the full school year.

This decision reflected appreciation for community and school efforts to find ways of building in viable programs to allow for continuity in those buildings.

The first Regular Meeting of the Council of Commissioners for this academic year was held on Monday, August 29, 2016. In accordance with the Education Act, the Lester B. Pearson School Board had to adopt and submit its 2016-2017 operating, investment and debt service budget to the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES), subject to the terms and conditions set by the Minister.

Council adopted the 2016-2017 balanced operating, capital and debt service budget projecting revenues of \$287,784,519 and expenses of \$287,784,519 be adopted and submitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur.

Council approved the Resolution which involved the cooperation between the city of Montreal, (Pierrefonds) and the Lester B. Pearson School Board to replace the two existing sports fields (the soccer field and the soccer/football/track field) with new synthetic ones at Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School (PCHS).

The Pearson Educational Foundation encouraged participation in 2 upcoming fundraisers:

Thursday, September 22, 2016 The 2016 PEF Golf Classic <http://pef.lbpsb.qc.ca/golf.htm>

Monday, October 11, 2016 Montreal Alouettes Football Game against Edmonton with a special price of \$16.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wayne Clifford,
Commissioner- Ward 12

Regional Parents' Committee & Elementary School Network
Lester B. Pearson School Board
2015-2016 Annual Report

The Region 3 Parents' Committee is comprised of parents from schools in Administrative Region 3 of the LBPSB, including Clearpoint Elementary. Regional meetings were held monthly at the School Board from 6:30-8:00 p.m., followed immediately by Elementary School Network Parents' Committee meetings from 8:00-9:30 p.m. The Region 3 Parents' Committee met nine times with quorum for all meetings except one. Three of the meetings were joint meetings held with participation of all three Regional Parent Committees, to discuss global issues and consultations. Dave Meloche, Region 3 Director of Schools and Mary-Ann Davis, Commissioner attended the majority of the meetings.

The Region 3 Parents' Committee was consulted on the following topics:

- * Enrollment Criteria
- * Major School Change
- * 2016-2017 Budget Priorities
- * LBPSB 2017-2018 Youth Calendar Options
- * 2016-2019 Three-Year Plan for the Allocation and Destination of Immovables
- * LBPSB Strategic Plan 2015-2020
- * By-law 1 (2016): A By-law to fix the day/time/place of regular meetings of the Council of Commissioners
- * By-law 1E (2016): A By-law to fix the day/time/place of regular meetings of the Executive Committee

The Region 3 Parents' Committee discussed the following topics:

- * Bill 86
- * "Work-To-Rule"
- * COMMUNICATION to/from the entire parent population for all issues
- * Governing Board training at the schools (for ALL members of the GB)
- * Collaboration with EMSB
- * Marketing
- * IEP parent position on GB
- * Transportation plan
- * New bus tracking system pilot program
- * Allergy Committee
- * CPC Website

Region 3 parents attended the following Information Sessions:

- * Bill 86 - CPC & LBPSB
- * Drugs and how they can ruin the lives of young people - Alvin Powell
- * 2016 Vocational Roadshow - Ashley Daniel Foot et al.
- * Daycare Services

In addition to the above mentioned consultations and discussions, the following reports were submitted at each meeting:

- * Central Parents' Committee & SNAC Reports
- * High School Network Parents' Committee Report
- * Elementary Network Parents' Committee Report
- * Parent Commissioners Report
- * Directors of Schools Report
- * Commissioner(s) Report(s)
- * Input from Schools and Parent Communities

Much of the focus this year was on Major School Change and Bill 86 and these topics in particular were discussed and debated vigorously by the parent representatives.

Marketing LBPSB schools and programs was another topic that was discussed in great detail throughout the year. Parents have argued that better communications and marketing efforts will help increase enrolment, increase parental involvement and improve communication between parents, schools and school boards. This year the CPC introduced an e-newsletter that was distributed via ERMS with the collaboration of the school board. The CPC is continuing its efforts to update relevant websites and increase the LBPSB CPC social media footprint.

It was an honour for me to represent the parents of Clearpoint Elementary school community for the 2015-2016 school year at the Region 3 Parents' Committee and Elementary School Network meetings.

Respectfully Submitted by

Allison Saunders

Clearpoint Elementary - Region 3 Parents' Committee Representative, Region 3 Parents' Central Parents' Committee Representative,
Central Parents' Committee Communications Officer.