

# Clearpoint Elementary ~ IB World School

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## Governing Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Location: Zoom (*link below*)

<https://lbpsb-qc-ca.zoom.us/j/96672031387?pwd=WmJHU2piN3dxb2Nqb2VoQUVIN3hodz09>

Time: 6:30 p.m.

### Agenda

1. **Welcome and Territorial Land Acknowledgement:** Dominique opens the meeting at 6:33. Rean will be a voting member today.
2. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion to approve by Rebecca and Ms. Dahlia.
3. **Approval of Minutes from April 10, 2024:** Motion to approve by Ms. Dahlia and Ms. Tassie.
4. **Correspondence & Acknowledgements:** None
5. **Field Trips, Fundraisers & Activities**

5.1	Grade 6 Grad Committee: Raffle was cancelled on portfolio night. -Quote for busses to and from grade trip May 27-28, grad fund will be paying for the buses. -Pizza Night with Dominoes: 3 packages to choose from, 2 profit grad fund at \$5 and the 3 <sup>rd</sup> will give \$10 profit to grad committee. Only at one location, so people out of the zone will have to pick it up. -Freezie Day – grad committee will distribute in past years – date close to end of year, asking teachers what works best. -Grad Dance June 20. -Fundraising has been very successful, if there is extra funds, it is proposed to have a breakfast for teachers and grade 6 students.	<i>For approval Motion to approve Pizza Fundraiser and Grad Trip Bussing by Marc and Rebecca</i>
5.2	May 16th - fundraiser for <a href="#">Unicef</a> honoring <a href="#">Unesco's International Day of Living in Peace</a> during the day and JR show fundraiser. -Important that students know that this day is held world over, ties in with IB goals. -Asking for box to collect \$ at the Spring Concert. -Students will make school wise announcements to raise awareness	<i>Motion to approve by Rean and Marc</i>
5.3	Bingo Night Concession May 17 selling drink and snacks for \$1	<i>Motion to approve by Rean and Marc</i>

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## 6. New Business

6.1	<p>Mother Earth Water Walk May 22nd (rain date in June). The water walk is inspired by the efforts of Josephine Mandamin, who started this initiative back in 2003. Her mission was to draw attention to the water crisis faced by Indigenous communities throughout Canada. The students will walk around the school yard and surrounding streets. Approx 30 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Spiritual animator working hard with students to continue to learn through our year long commitment to indigenous communities and reconciliation.</li> <li>-younger kids will be walking in the yard,</li> <li>-grade 3 and higher will walk by the water.</li> </ul>	
6.2	<p><b>Junior dance rehearsal and show</b> May 14<sup>th</sup> &amp; May 16<sup>th</sup>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>May 14:</b> Dress Rehearsal for (K4, K5, Gr, 1, 2, 3) 8:30-10:00 am *Pre-K + K can leave at their recess. Dress Rehearsal for whole school (4, 5, 6 in gym, Ks, Gr 1, 2, 3 kids are in classes) 12:15 - 1:30 (request that recess be pushed to 1:30-1:50 on that day)</li> <li>• <b>May 16:</b> Performance for families: <b>12:30 pm</b> (students remain in their class and will be called down by runners), <b>6:30 pm</b> (students need to be at school for 6:10 pm)</li> </ul>	<p><i>Motion to approve by Rean and Marc</i></p>
6.3	<p><b>June choir performance:</b> request for June 19th - would split school in 2 assemblies, K-3 at 10:30 am and grades 4-6 at 12:30 pm. No more than 30 mins. Parents of choir participants would be invited to one or the other. Will need the choir participants to be released from 8 am for the day.</p>	
6.4	<p><b>Final IB assembly</b> - Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Grade K4-2 9:00-9:25 am &amp; Grade 3-6 9:30-10:00 am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Handout pride tags for students who have taken action outside the school</li> <li>-skit about neurodiversity</li> <li>-summer challenge</li> </ul>	
6.5	<p><b>Workbooks</b> for 2024-2025 school year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-wait for teacher assignments – so they can better choose what is appropriate for them to order.</li> <li>-digital workbooks to be discussed with teachers</li> </ul>	<p><i>For Information</i></p>
6.6	<p><b>Consultation Three-Year Plan 2024-2027</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Looking at government forecast of enrollment in future years, using demographics and birth rate information.</li> <li>-typically used for schools that share spaces – which does not affect Clearpoint</li> <li>-Question for the consultation: Can we have details on how these predictions were made?</li> </ul>	<p><i>For consultation</i></p>
6.7	<p><b>May 23 Hoop Dancer related to indigenous community activities.</b> Grant has allowed us to see performance by Makhena.</p>	<p><i>Motion to approve by Rean and Marc</i></p>

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6.8	<b>Media Smarts Literacy</b> October 8 from 6:30 – 8pm cost is \$750 will be paid by home and school, open to all parents and staff. More to come in October.	<i>For Information</i>
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## 7. Business Arising:

7.1	<b>Reviewing the Code of Conduct</b> (changes in red): -changed language to include our Anti-Bullying/Anti-Violence Plan. -concerns from parents about how the language can target girls, and the message that it sends. -Wear weather, safety, and activity appropriate clothing not targeting specific articles of clothing. -Ms. Pan will bring this to teacher’s council to make more gender neutral, and less negative wording and using more affirmative and gender-neutral language. Ex: No showing undergarments instead of no spaghetti straps. Shorts that are mid thigh instead of no short shorts. -We will revisit in June for clothing.	<i>For approval in June with request clothing wording change</i>
7.2	<b>Progressive entry for our Ks in August 2024</b> -Students coming in for 2 half days before starting full time.	Motion to approve by Wendy and Ms. Dahlia
7.3	<b>End of Year Celebration</b> on Thursday, June 6th from 5pm to 8:30 pm -Home and School putting it on for families -Will be giving out food -may be selling some drinks -there will be a band and activities.	
7.4	<b>Walking to Wild Willy’s:</b> Cycle 2 and Grade 5 students: Students to bring 5\$ each (blanket approval for some time in June) -Grade 5 and Cycle 2 going on walking trip to Wild Willy’s. Parents to send \$5-\$6. 22 Kids 1:11 all the aides would be coming. -Will be in June.	
7.5	<b>Grad upcoming activities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food truck (ONLY grads will eat, happening 12:00 on May 17th) – only time change to be approved.</li> </ul>	
7.6	<b>Volunteer tea party</b> June 4 <sup>th</sup> Volunteer appreciation June 4 <sup>th</sup> from 11:20 – 12:10 during lunch so teachers can attend.	<i>For Information</i>

## 8. Reports – In Annex

- Principal
- Teachers
- Primary Years Program (PYP) Update
- Daycare: looking to get approval for Montreal Firetruck Events to come one June 3rd instead of Ceramics Café.  
 -Mascot, Ride in fire truck, cost is \$15/child  
 -Ice cream day planned for Daycare week  
 -Motion to approve June 3<sup>rd</sup> ped day by Rebecca and Marc
- Home & School:  
 -spoke about year end

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- appetite for change
  - next week bingo night is free, but need to sign up, community event with prizes 5:30 on
  - Annual General Meeting June 11, will be voting in new executives.
  - LBPSB PC Rep:
    - Last meeting was postponed in April due to technical issues, Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting.
  - Commissioner: No updates
9. Varia:  
-April 23 there was a Dance competition and the kids and Ms. Eccles and Ms. Iliana were phenomenal.
10. Public Question Period: None
11. Date of next meeting: Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 6:30pm on Zoom, and June 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm in person. Motion to approve by Mme Suzanne and seconded by Ms. Dahlia.
12. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm motion to approve by Marc and seconded Rean.

## Annex:

## Reports – May 2024

### *Principal*

#### Events:

**Natural phenomena:** April ushered in several natural phenomena: On April 4<sup>th</sup>, we had an unexpected snow day which left us with about 20 cm of snow! As well, on April 8<sup>th</sup>, a spectacular total solar eclipse witnessed by much of North America! Each student and staff member were given a pair of solar eclipse glasses to enjoy this event. All students remained at home as April 8<sup>th</sup> was made into pedagogical day.

**Math Competition:** Last Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> students in grades 4, 5 & 6 competed in the Mathematica Centrum annual math competition which involves schools from all across North America. Almost 50 students from Clearpoint took part. Thank you to Ms. Tubbeh, Miss Vanessa, and Mrs. Hay, for organizing this event for our students.

**Qui Lira Vaincra:** Also on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, our grade 5&6 students valiantly competed in the Semi-finals Sadly, they did not place in the finals but are very motivated to try this competition again next year! Way to go!

**Pointe-Claire Youth Council meeting:** This past Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 12 students from Grade 5 participated in the Pointe-Claire Youth Council meeting at City Hall where they eloquently presented their urban planning ideas for the future development of the City of Pointe-Claire. At

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this meeting, Mayor Tim Thomas gave up his seat on Council that evening to Kai Nyugen (Grade 5) for the evening! Many of their ideas will be included in consultations for the development of the Plan for Urban Planning 2024-2035 that are currently taking place in Pointe-Claire. A link to the evening's proceedings and photos will be shared to the Clearpoint community shortly.

**IB-PYP Exhibition/Portfolio Night:** In the same week, we saw a wonderful celebration of learning on April 18th, at our IB-PYP Exhibition/Portfolio Night. From the IB-PYP Exhibition projects to the well-crafted portfolios for each student, every aspect showcased the very best of our students' talents and abilities. It was a true celebration of learning and a testament to the dedication and hard work of everyone involved. Thank you to my incredible teaching and support staff for making this event possible. Special recognition to Layla Barroca, our IB Coordinator for being at the helm of the IB-PYP Exhibition ensuring that students and staff alike were all on schedule ensuring a successful evening!

**Earth day is April 22nd.** Thank you to Sylvia Orthwein, H&S for initiating the Appetite for Change Campaign. As well, one of the IB groups, as part of their action, has asked that the whole school wear blue on Earth Day to raise awareness about water conservation.

*Respectfully submitted by Maria Pan*

### *IB - Primary Years Program*

Our students IB-exhibition wrapped up on April 18th during Clear point's "Celebration of Learning" evening. It was a big success and left students feeling proud & accomplished about their 10 week "Journey Towards Exhibition".

As the school year nears a close, teachers have all begun their final unit of inquiry for the year and are wrapping up any year-long ones.

We will have our final IB assembly of the year on Tuesday, June 19th.

Recess Champions for Life have started organizing games in the yard for grade 1&2 students.

### *Kindergarten – K4*

Our Cabane a sucre field trip was a success ! We missed the rain and got to experience all that the Cabane a sucre had to offer. We also had a wonderful time during our portfolio evening, our children were so proud to show their parents their artwork and IB binder. This coming week (May 9th) we will be hosting our paint night and this is always a wonderful activity enjoyed by both children and parents. On Friday May 10th we look forward to meeting our new little ones coming into K4 !

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## *Kindergarten – K5*

We are still working on our Homes unit. The students will be learning about the importance of farms in our lives. They will be milking Bessy, our cow soon. We will be celebrating our incredible moms tomorrow at a Mother's Day celebration. Looking forward to laughing and dancing.

We will be meeting our new k students on Friday at our annual kindergarten orientation.

## *Cycle 1*

1- Cycle 1 started "How we Express Ourselves". This new unit titled 'Who Art Thou', pertains to how we discover and express our ideas and feelings through the arts. Students are examining various forms of art and are learning to identify the different emotions that they convey.

We will also be looking at different types of dances across the globe.

Children are going to start working on their summative assessments. They will choose two art forms to express a feeling. Presentations in class will take place in a few weeks.

2- Today we welcomed the mother of Jonathan Lekx in 202; Rebecca Lekx, a singer with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra. She came in to sing and to talk to our kids about performing arts.

3- Mother's Day right around the corner, the children are excited to bring home a little something they have been working on!

4- The Spring Concert is next week. Mme La Loie and Mme Marie-Claude are working hard to get the children stage ready. We are excited!

## *Cycle 2*

Cycle 2 has started the unit on the evolution of communication. They are busy working on projects and finding out the impact of the different forms of communications on our daily lives. They are researching different forms of communications and using different platforms to share their learnings.

The grade 4 students have completed the Language Arts Board Exam. The grade 3s will start their Math board exam shortly.

The grade 4s will be taking on the task of planting in our raised beds with the help of Urban Planning. This will take place next week.

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The grade 3 students will be going on a field trip to Iroquois Village on May 27. The final plans of the end of the year are in effect. Needless to say the staff and the students are very busy at work.

### *Cycle 3*

Grade 5 has just started our final unit on Biodiversity. We will be going on a walking tour of Pointe-Claire village next week. Canoe and Kayak Club is scheduled for June 10th. We will also be going to Wild Willy's in June for an ice cream treat.

Grade 6 just finished up exhibition and they are moving on to their final unit. French, English and Math exams will be starting mid May and going on until mid June. We are also looking forward to our grad trip May 27th-28th. Graduation activities will take place throughout the month of June.

## Physical Education

Jump rope for heart training (May 1st), training for Halo run (May 8th), Track and field held May 29th.

## Daycare

**K01&K02** - Miss Marie and Miss Geeta - In K5 we did activities for four themes (birds, insects, earth day, and nutrition.)

**Grade 1 - Miss Maryam** - This month we are spending more time outside to do activities like soccer, basketball & playing on the play structure.

When indoors, we are doing arts and crafts, such as, a special craft for Mother's Day, Corking on Wednesdays, lego on Tuesdays and playing different games in the Gym on Mondays and Fridays.

**Grade 103&203 - Miss Irma** - In my class grades one & two. We're finishing the corking craft. Also doing activities to improve fine motor skills (dressing and undressing dolls). Working with numbers to develop attention.

**Grade 2s - Miss April** - This week we made magazine beads which my class enjoyed; most kids made enough for a necklace which they proudly wore home!

We will be doing a Mother's Day craft next week, and I have some spring themed activities planned for the month of May.

**Grade 3s - Miss Pam** - In grade 3 daycare, the children have been learning to weave, teaching them a new skill, patience and creativity. They also participated in making a delicious healthy snack, fruit brochettes!

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**Grade 6s - Miss Elena** - Grade 6 has been introduced to a science lab type experiment that they will have to do in high school. It was titled, 'How Molecules React in the Cold'. Then they wrote up the lab report including an analytical graph of their recorded data. They worked in teams. More science to come. We are now playing outdoor volleyball since the nice weather has finally arrived.

## **Attendance:**

### **Parents:**

1. Dominique Bensadoun
2. Susannah Riley
3. Amanda Blackburn
4. Loretta Kao
5. Wendy Mendoza
6. Rean Sayegh
7. Marc Lucke
8. Rebecca Belmonte

### **Teachers/Staff:**

1. Maria Pan
2. Tassie Fyon
3. Dahlia Singh
4. Layla Barroca
5. Suzanne Larkin
6. Miranda Tubbeh

### **Community members:**

1. Tayba Huot