

**Riverview Elementary School
Governing Board Meeting #07
Thursday May 14, 2020
@ 1:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Ariana Winn (Chair)
Linda Dalterio (Secretary)
Alexandra McDonald (Teacher)
Julia De Angelis (Teacher)
Melissa Bourcier (Daycare)
Simone Viger (Staff/CLC)
Mary Ann Davis (Commissioner)
Lucia Coretti (Principal)

Regrets:

Sara Levis (Parent)
Emily Verrecchia (Parent)
Sterling Downey (Community)

1. Call to Order
 - a. Ariana Winn called the meeting to order at 1:37 P.M.
2. Adoption of Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve Linda Dalterio
 - b. 2nd Alexandra McDonald
 - c. Carried
3. Review of the Minutes of February 12, 2020 GB meeting
 - a. Motion to postpone review until next meeting by Linda Dalterio
 - b. 2nd Alexandra McDonald
 - c. Carried
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a. Budget Consultation 2020-2021
 - i. Focus on elements relating to GREEN and environmental initiatives, bus monitoring, immersive education, digital learning tools, technological infrastructure development, security and training support, mental health and well-being, enhancing and increasing reach of marketing and communication.
 - ii. Responses to the Budget Consultation are due May 15, 2020 per last communicated extension received from the Board Secretary General due to COVID-19 pandemic.
5. Public Question Period
 - a. N/A
6. Reports
 - a. Principal
 - i. Worked with committees to identify and prepare all elements of school in order to make it safe for the May 19 expected return date.
 - ii. Return response rate was very low.
 - iii. In light of school reopening now being pushed to the end of August, the preparatory exercise the team just went through will help them prepare for the eventual return to school in August.

- iv. The Board and Principals have been sorting through the continuous and ever changing communications from the government and have been working hard at developing and publishing effective information to our school communities during this unprecedented time.
- v. Learning kits and student educational support are ongoing. Teachers will continue to reach out to students. Families are encouraged to facilitate their children's participation as much as possible.
- vi. Internet devices have been provided to children in need and the government has facilitated access to the internet.
- vii. Regular weekly communications with student services working with families to ensure the proper resources are provided.
- viii. Riverview construction restarted Monday May 11 under new safety guidelines.
- b. Teacher
 - i. Teaching itself is very different now on Zoom/Hangouts (with speed at which teachers are adapting to this technological evolution) - some children are flourishing and some are more reserved all are facing different challenges. The learning opportunity is there and teachers are exploring ways to educate all students at this time.
- c. Support Staff
 - i. Support staff remains active in online meetings and are in regular contact with students with distinct needs.
- d. Daycare
 - i. 60% of this year's families are registered for next year - the school will be in contact with families by the end of May.
- e. Community Learning Center (CLC)
 - i. Lunch-time and after-school programs ended prior to spring break and were not affected by the pandemic.
 - ii. Year-long programs like Homework Zone, The School of Music and concert and My Day at McGill were cancelled.
 - iii. Spaghetti Nights are still active in the community and offer 2 online workshops (discussions focus on today's reality).
- f. Parent Participation Organization (PPO) - N/A
- g. Grad (PPO Sub-Committee)
 - i. Graduation ceremony and celebration postponed to the new school year.
- h. Commissioner
 - i. Bill 40 and COVID-19 - Board working closely with the government and is being responsive, working diligently to communicate within the confines of the crisis and the ever evolving state of the pandemic in Quebec and Montreal.
- i. Board Sector Parents' Committee (PC)
 - i. The Board continues to work at providing legitimate government communications about schools at this time of crisis and has its students' and families' safety at the foundation of its planning. Reacting agily, accepting circumstances and using forethought and scenario planning, the Board has been consistently working on measures to reinstate educational programs and support its communities. The Board is in close communication with the PC Advisory as things are constantly evolving - parents had the opportunity to submit questions to a survey and were able to address the Assistant Director General Tom Rhymes directly on a Zoom meeting May 7.
- j. Board Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC)
 - i. SNAC survey to see who send child to school only 20% were planning on sending their child back to school
 - ii. The Committee feels the government did not properly represent the special needs of the children as being the reason the government was reopening schools.

- k. Community Representatives - N/A
 - l. Governing Board Chair - N/A
7. New Business
- a. Update on current situation with schools projected to re-open May 25, 2020
 - i. Announced by Premier Legault on May 14, 2020 that schools in the Montreal Metropolitan Community are projected to re-open in August 2020.
 - b. Riverview construction update
 - i. We will be returning to our building for the 2020-2021 school year. Possession due to pandemic is now planned for mid-June 2020.
 - ii. Looking at safety measures outlined by the government as of today - knowing they are evolutionary, and based on registration; the Riverview building will have sufficient space for the student population registered for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - c. 2020-2021 School Year calendar
 - i. Motion to approve Linda Dalterio
 - ii. 2nd Ariana Winn
 - iii. Carried
 - d. Code of Conduct
 - i. Motion to approve Linda Dalterio
 - ii. 2nd Ariana Winn
 - iii. Carried
 - 1. Addition of "No cell phone" clause
 - e. 2020-2021 LBPSB tournaments
 - i. Motion to approve Linda Dalterio
 - ii. 2nd Ariana Winn
 - iii. Carried
 - f. Consultations launched at the Board's Executive Committee April 20, 2020
 - i. Governing Boards composition
 - ii. 3-year Plan of Destination and Allocation of Immovables
 - iii. By-law 1 and 1E (dates of meetings of Council and the Executive Committee)
 - 1. Due June 10, 2020
 - g. ABAV plan
 - i. Motion to approve Linda Dalterio
 - ii. 2nd Ariana Winn
 - iii. Carried
 - 1. With the goal of educating all stakeholders the 2020-2021 ABAV plan responds with a clear support system and program outlining elements of trauma informed practices and zero violence in a gender inclusive tone. A digital copy of this document will be available through the school website.
8. Varia
- a. Return to school demonstration video - planned diffusion for May 14 - cancelled the same date due to notice from the provincial government that until further notice schools in the Montreal Metropolitan Community area will remain closed until August 2020.
9. Correspondence
- a. N/A
10. Adjournment
- a. Motion to adjourn by Linda Dalterio at 3:40pm
11. Date of next meeting
- a. June 9, 2020 - Time: 1:30pm (to be confirmed)