

**Riverview Elementary School
Governing Board Meeting # 10
Tuesday, June 15, 2021**

MINUTES

Attendance

Ariana Winn (Parent and Chair)
Linda Dalterio (Parent and Parent Committee Representative)
Sara Levis (Parent and Parent Committee Alternate Representative)
Tracey Brenie (Parent)
Helene Biniaris (Teacher)
Alexandra McDonald (Teacher)
Megan Ladd (Teacher)
Michelle Hermelin (Steiner) (Teacher)
Melissa Ann Bourcier (Daycare)
Melissa Proietti (CLC - Community Representative)
Sterling Downey (Community Representative)
Lucia Coretti (Principal)
Lori Morrison (School Board Commissioner)

Regrets

Julius Archer (Parent)

1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgement
 - a. Meeting opened at 6:05 PM by Ariana Winn
2. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve agenda by Helene Binaris
 - b. 2nd by Linda Dalterio
 - c. Motion carried
3. Approval of the minutes of the May 18th, 2021 GB meeting
 - a. Motion to approve minutes by Megan Ladd
 - b. 2nd by Sara Levis
 - c. Motion carried
4. Business Arising
 - a. End of school year ABC activity is leading towards the last day of school, June 23 - a full day. Teachers will not be available after June 25.
 - b. Report cards on Moazik will be available June 28.
 - c. 2021-2022 school calendar, supplies lists, code of conduct, and student handbook are now available on our website.
 - d. The office will remain open until July 5, 2021, and will re-open in August for the 2021-2021 school year.
 - e. Students return to class on August 31, 2021, there will be a gradual entry for K4-K5.
5. Public Question Period
 - a. N/A

6. Reports

a. Principal

- i. Principal Coretti thanked Riverview staff, parents and students for their diligence and perseverance throughout this unprecedented year. A year that made history, we remained safe from COVID and received top grades for our persistence. It wasn't easy and many suffered, short on staff, resources, and constantly busy making sure the school remained a safe environment while educating in a whole new way, and we made it through, as a community.
- ii. Class groups are being identified for the 2021-2022 school year. We did not receive additional funding to help replace the 2020-2021 staff reduction of 3 teachers because of the change of our school's level from 9 to 8 on the Minister of Education's Socio-Economic Environment Index (Indice de milieu socio-économique (IMSE)), which determines the level of educational support in disadvantaged primary and secondary schools. Class maximums have been increased to 26 students/class from 21.
- iii. Cooling measures are in place, but it is still very hot in the building. One out of 2 students makes the choice to keep their mask on as the health guidelines alter to safely permit students to remove their masks during school.

b. Teacher

- i. Teachers completing the new student success reporting format redefined by the Minister of Education for the 2020-2021 school year.
- ii. It is to note that the students are enjoying their time at school, despite the heat, and are demonstrating a very cohesive dynamic as a school though they are still separated within their bubbles.
- iii. Teachers, Caretakers, and students are grateful for the fans that were donated thanks to efforts by the PPO. It is a great addition to the cooling activities in place for the kids - cooling foods, cooling zones and stations inside and outside the school, cooling walks along the waterfront, 1st-time visits to the school library, and even outdoor class time. Thank you!
- iv. Students were sent home with a Scholastics summer reading camp flyer that includes the teacher's class number should families wish to purchase books over the summer.

c. Support Staff

- i. N/A

d. Daycare

- i. 2021-2022 Daycare (morning, lunch, after-school) registration is open online for returning students or by paper for new students.
- ii. Mozaik registration for returning students is available until June 28,
- iii. Daycare registrations will reopen in August.
- iv. Presently there are 84 students registered for the 2021-2022 school year.

e. Community Learning Center (CLC)

- i. Welcome to Melissa Proietti as leader of the Verdun Schools' Community Learning Center (CLC). She will be active in creating and implementing programs at Riverview and Verdun elementary schools, and Beurling Academy.

- f. Parent Participation Organization (PPO)
 - i. An exceptional and dynamic year for the PPO, teaming up with the Grad Committee on a couple of projects, learning to navigate new tech to meet as a parent group to discuss the students' needs and plan activities that support fundraising and connecting the school community. Thank you to everyone for your generosity and kindness.
- g. Grad (PPO Sub-Committee)
 - i. Preparations are in order for the 2020-2021 yearbook and graduation ceremony. Students did an amazing job this year and should be proud of what they accomplished!
 - ii. Grad and student awards ceremony will be hosted live on Zoom for families to share the special day, then students will have a classroom celebration.
- h. Commissioner
 - i. Highlights of the report provided:
 1. Council adopted the final draft of the Policy Concerning Tobacco, Drugs and Alcohol of the Lester B. Pearson School Board.
 2. Council approved the LBPSB board-level administrative structure organigram presented May 31, 2021.
 3. Council approved Resolution 2021-03-#01 on the Use of the N-word, adopted by the Council of Commissioners of the Lester B. Pearson on March 22, 2021, be distributed to the municipalities and boroughs on its territory.
 4. Council adopted a resolution acknowledging Jennifer DiMarco's exceptional contribution to the Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC) and to the LBPSB.
- i. Board Sector Parents' Committee (PC)
 - i. Another year of precedents. Trusting our schools and yet nervous about sending children back to school, this year was a whole new experience.
 - ii. Online meetings proved to be a positive experience, we had the highest rate of participation ever.
 - iii. LBPSB Administration provided excellent support and was very informative throughout COVID.
 - iv. Parents overall are looking forward to the evolution we are seeing at LBPSB and want to make sure that we continue to help shape the education we know our children need.
- j. Board Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC)
 - i. Highlights of the report provided:
 1. SNACs Quick Guide to What is an I.E.P.:
<http://snac.lbpsb.qc.ca/eng/extra/img/367SNACIEPTrifoldPamphletApprovedMarch2021.pdf>
 2. Full I.E.P. Resource Kit:
<http://snac.lbpsb.qc.ca/eng/IEP-Documents/page.asp>
 3. I.E.P. Information from EPCA interview with LBPSB SNAC Chair:
<https://epcaquebec.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/0031-EPCA-N EWSLETTER-VOL-3.pdf>

4. West Island Association for the Intellectually Handicapped (WIAIH) Summer day camp registration is beginning and will offer parents/social skills groups based on the book The Science of Making Friends.
 - a. Information: Franca assistance@wiah.qc.ca or <https://www.facebook.com/wiah/>
5. Boccia and SNAC? Boccia is a sport that caters only to individuals with physical disabilities and is considered a paralympic sport.
- k. Community Representatives
 - i. N/A
- l. Governing Board Chair
 - i. The 2021-2022 Riverview Elementary Annual General Assembly/Curriculum Night is scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021.
7. New Business
 - a. Riverview's June proposed budget
 - i. The Minister of Education's 2021-2022 budget allotment for Riverview calculates to \$114/student + \$20/student library allotment and totals \$233,483.
 - ii. Though important funding measures have decreased, new measures include funding for well-being/mental health, sports, schoolyard and equipment.
 - iii. Since the
 1. Motion to approve the 2021-2022 budget allotment by Linda Dalterio
 2. 2nd by Tracey Brenie
 3. Motion carried
 - b. Blanket approval for CLC activities 2021-2022
 - i. CLC activities will include sports, arts, outdoors, reading, social and engineering activities. Community partners are looking forward to coming back and new ones are excited to join. Spaghetti Nights will return too once we have the opportunity to gather.
 1. Motion to blanket approve CLC activities by Helene Binaris
 2. 2nd by Sara Levis
 3. Motion carried
 - c. PPO 2021-2022 activities review
 - i. Activities framework and the timeline for activities and fundraising as determined during the Tuesday, June 8th PPO meeting. The plan will be finalized and voted on by PPO at the 1st meeting of the 2021-2022 school year.
 1. Oliver's Labels - an ongoing campaign
 - a. <http://www.oliverslabels.com/RiverviewElementary>
 2. Indigo - an ongoing campaign
8. Correspondence
 - a. N/A
9. Message from the Chairperson
 - a. Thank you to Ms. Coretti, the teachers, staff, and all those who worked together diligently to see this year through.

- b. Governing Board, your commitment to the leadership of the school takes time and we haven't had much this year, your volunteer commitment is appreciated and admired, thanks for answering the call.
 - c. Thank you PPO for continuing your work despite the challenges, it allows our students and school to have what they need to achieve.
10. Adjournment by Ariana Winn at 7:08 PM

Secretary: LD