

**Mackay Centre
School** Thursday, June
9, 2021 Governing Board
Meeting #5 Virtual
Meeting Due to COVID-19
Time: 7:00 pm

Present: Irimi Margetis (Principal), Gregory Watson (Vice-Principal), Maria Revuelta (Daycare Technician), Karolyn Liverman (Parent), Caroline Elias (Parent), Mark DeAngelis (Parent), Jean-Pierre Campbell (Parent), Pansy Drury (Teacher-Pre-K), Leslie Levinson (Teacher-Aug-Com1), Leigh Zinman (Teacher-K), Emily Lecker (RPSS Representative).

Absent: Katrin Nakashima (Community Representative).

No members of the public were in attendance. The meeting started at 7:04pm.

1. **Call to Order and Welcome** - from the Governing Board Chair, Karolyn Liverman and Irimi Margetis, Principal.

2. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Adopted with the addition of item 6.7 Approval of the graduation expenses.

Moved, seconded and approved.

Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

3. **Adoption of Minutes May 13, 2021**

Moved, seconded and approved.

Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

4. **Business Arising**

4.1 **School Calendar 2021-2022: to ratify**

The school calendar was approved by e-vote on May 31, 2021.

Moved, seconded and approved.

Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - none.

5. **Reports**

5.1 **Commissioner Report**

None.

5.2 Principal/Vice Principal Report

Irini informed us that virtual meetings with parents of next year's Reverse Integration students took place with Kathleen Timney on May 26th. Next school year there will be 9 Reverse Integration students: 3 in Pre-K; 1 in K; 2 in Grade 4 and 3 in grade 5.

14 students aged 12 and over were vaccinated at school.

Planning for next year will be put on hold until August because even though the Education Minister has said there will be no class bubbles and such measures for Covid it remains to be seen what the Covid status will be in August.

Irini expressed her thanks to all parents and staff for their support during this difficult year.

Greg updated us on the items purchased with the In School We Move funds. Most of the items have been received, distributed to classes and are being used and enjoyed.

Last Friday, filming was done for the video appeal to donors to raise money for the adapted playground.

With regards to the Code of Conduct, the Parent Handbook and the Safe School Action Plan, a committee will be formed next school year to update these documents to be more current with the addition of topics such as "Netiquette".

5.3 Teacher Report

Leigh said that the French teachers organized zumba activities for the whole school and the students loved it and they all participated very well. June 16th will be Field Day. There will be ice cream and the petting zoo.

There will be graduation ceremonies held outside separately for Kindergarten and Grade 6 and Seniors with parents present.

Leslie said that the Positive Behaviour Committee handed out certificates to all the students in conjunction with the monthly theme of Success and the students can post them up on a board outside the library.

Next Thursday will be the announcement of the school being awarded the Chapters-Indigo Literacy Grant and the video will be posted on social media.

5.4 RPSS Report

Emily announced that due to the commendable efforts of the staff, there was zero transmission of Covid with the school this year! An outstanding achievement to be sure.

The RPSS will be helping to train the staff of the joint Camp Massawippi/Centre Philou day camp taking place on the school site this summer and two of the school LPN's will be working at the camp.

The Rehab department will be open over the summer, offering interventions and equipment updates to students and seeing those students who were medically exempt from school attendance this year.

The PAB Bob Waldron will be retiring and there will be a position open for a PAB. As well, Dr. Munz, who was the consulting physician at the rehab over many years is retiring and rehab is seeking a new physician to fulfill this role.

5.5 Daycare/Lunch Report

Maria mentioned that last Friday was the final PED day for the year. She is very proud of her staff who did an amazing job all year particularly with the Covid situation. The last pizza day is the 18th and 19th. There has been an ice cream treat once a week this month and also for Field Day.

Final invoicing for the year was done yesterday. Adjustments had to be made because of changes in the schedule due to Covid reasons so small refunds are going out to the parents.

5.5 Parent Representative Report

Jean-Pierre summarized the key points from this month's CPC meeting. The new director general of the EMSB was introduced, Mr. Nick Katalifos. With regards to Covid, the expectation is that everything will be back to normal at school, i.e. no class bubbles. There was an anti-racism workshop which was very informative. There was a discussion about the lack of adequate space and resources in the buildings in the west end of Montreal. The idea was put forth of asking that high schools provide grade 12 instead of the current CEGEP system.

6. New Business

6.1 2021-2022 School Budget

Irini reported all details on Fund 5 and Fund 3.

A form was filled out to adopt the school operation budget for 2021-2022 as presented by the school principal to be submitted to the EMSB.

Moved, seconded and approved. Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

6.2 2021-2022 School Supply List

The school supply lists for all classes at Mackay Centre school for the school year 2020-2021 have been approved by the Governing Board.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

6.3 2021-2022 School Fees to Parents

It was proposed that there be a reduction in the school fees due to a review of the fee breakdown vis-a-vis the current usage of various items in the classrooms, for example teachers have moved away from the use of agendas to using Google classroom or their own folders for communications between teacher and parents. Items that fall in the "others" category could be covered by school funds. Photocopy fees are accurate. There will be further review of the cost of workbooks next year. The proposed fees would be \$20.00 for preK and K, \$30 for Cycle 1 and \$50 for Cycle 2 and 3.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

6.4 2021-2022 Parent Booklet

No changes were necessary in order to approve the Parent Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

6.5 2021-2022 Safe School Action Plan

There will be no changes to the Safe School Action Plan. A review is planned for next year.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

6.6 Adoption of the GB Financial Report 2020-2021

There was no money spent from this year's budget. \$1047.00 will be kept in the account for 2021-2022. Jean-Pierre as Treasurer and Karolyn as Chairperson signed the document adopting the GB Financial Report for 2020-2021.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0

6.7 Approval of Graduation Expenses

It was motioned to approve paying for graduation items (hoodies and yearbooks) in the amount of #359.55 from Fund 3.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

7. Field Trips and Fundraisers

7.1 To Ratify

None.

7.2 Field Trips for 2021-2022

Tabled until the next meeting with possibility of e-vote if needed before.

7.3 Fundraisers for 2021-2022

Tabled until the next meeting with possibility of e-vote if needed before.

8. Varia

None.

9. Good and Welfare

Jean-Pierre wishes to thank everyone for all the hard work during this difficult year. Pansy thanks the parents for serving on the Governing Board. Karolyn wishes all the staff a wonderful, restful summer! See you at the fall AGM.

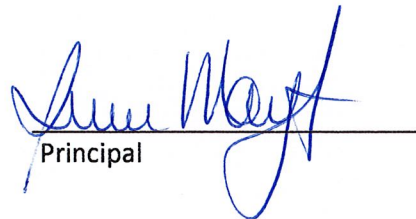
10. Adjournment - Next meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm. Next meeting: Fall 2021.

Moved, seconded and approved.
Approved by all members. Vote 8-0-0.

Karolyn Liverman

Chairperson


Principal

Respectfully submitted by Caroline Elias