

# PHILIP E. LAYTON SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD

**Date:** May 13, 2024

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Location:** Virtual meeting using Microsoft Teams

**Attendees:** Irini Margetis, Bob Simpson, Meaghan Laurie, Lysa Marie Mancini, Kimberly Young, Melany Murray, Sean Desouza, Katrin Nakashima, Sean Zikman, Julia Sowerby, Maria Revuelta

**Absent:** Joseph Lalla, Emily Lecker, Hema Patel, Yolande Kambou

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## 1. Call to Order & Welcome

- Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Sean Desouza.

## 2. Adoption of the Agenda

- The agenda was motioned to adopt by Julia Sowerby, seconded by Kimberly Young.

## 3. Adoption of Minutes of March 18, 2024

- March minutes were adopted with the following changes: addition of Meaghan Laurie and Lysa Marie Mancini to the list of attendees. The agenda was motioned to adopt by Kimberly Young, seconded by Meaghan Laurie.

## 4. Business Arising

- Nothing to report.

### PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

- None.

## 5. Reports

### 5.1 Commissioner's report: Absent

### 5.2 Principal's report:

- The pool is finally open! The classes have started and the children are very much enjoying. Thanks to Bob for interviewing staff and life guards. This was truly a team effort and it is going very well.
- Irini, along with the principal of Saint-Monica, have been invited to a meeting with the borough councillor to get an update regarding the concerns we raised regarding the new bike bath. The majority of citizens in NDG are against it and that we were informed that there will be a protest on May 25.

- The last GB meeting will take place June 10<sup>th</sup>. We will approve school supply lists. We will review the year end report sent to the GB regarding anti bullying and anti violence. We will discuss the end of year budget.
- 3 students are graduating, 3 new will replace, to take place on June 7.
- Completion of the mural, created by Concordia art students (stagiaires) Students and teachers designed (the length of the pool hallway) This mural represents the student population.

### **5.3 Teacher's report:**

- Defi Sportif was successful.
- Pool opening
- Mobile cabane a sucre
- Steel pan band

### **5.4 RPSS report:**

- A new OT will join the team the beginning of June.

### **5.5 Daycare / Lunch:**

- There is still enough money in the CAP program to stretch the breakfast program to the end of the year.

### **5.6 Parent representative:**

- Meetings attended by Lysa Marie Mancini; notes as provided:
- EMSB Meeting – April 4, 2024  
Went over tools for Exam Preparation. A website called AlloProf.
- EMSB Meeting – May 2, 2024  
A school called Saint Raphael, which deals with social and emotional challenges is hoping to move to Nesbitt to have a larger space for the students.  
A representative for Chabad Lifeline spoke to us about their services.  
They offer support for all those affected by addiction not only drugs and alcohol but all forms of addiction including screen addiction and spending addiction. This includes children who are struggling with addiction or who have family members who are.  
The Ministry decided to remove nonbinary bathrooms in all schools.  
The meetings for parents of special needs children that was in French should have been in English and is being rescheduled for September.

## **5.7 Habilitas**

- Following the progress of construction of the playground; late September forecasted opening.

## **6. New Business**

### **6.1 Approval of the 2024-2025 School Calendar:**

- No questions posed by the GB members; Motioned to Adopt by Meaghan Laurie, seconded by Kimberly Young, unanimously in favour, therefore adopted.

### **6.2 Approval of the 2024-2025 Parent Handbook:**

- No questions posed by the GB members; Motioned to Adopt by Maria Revuelta, seconded by Kimberly Young, unanimously in favour, therefore adopted.

### **6.3 Last Governing Board Meeting -June 10:**

- The last meeting will be in person, to be held at 3:45pm. GB funds will be used to fund a meal after the meeting, at 5:00 pm. Motioned to Adopt by Meaghan Laurie, seconded by Sean Desouza, unanimously in favour, therefore adopted.

## **7. Fieldtrips, Fundraisers**

### **7.1 To Ratify:**

- Two sailing outings in June 2024, AQVA. Motioned to adopt by Julia Sowerby, seconded by Meaghan Laurie, therefore adopted.

### **7.2 Field trip:**

- None.

### **7.3 Fundraisers:**

- None.

## **8. Varia**

- Katrin : Happy the pool is open!

10. **Good & Welfare**

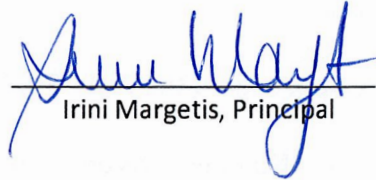
11. **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn meeting by Kimberley Young, Meaghan Laurie, seconded by Lysa Mancini, all in favor, meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.



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Sean De Souza, GB Chair



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Irini Margetis, Principal