

**PIERREFONDS COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD 2016-2017
Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday, March 21, 2017
13800 Pierrefonds Blvd. (Library)**

Members Present: Amy Campbell, Luciano Cannucci, Carroll-Ann Case, Angela Crosbie, Laurie Fournier, Ronak Gandhi, Rowena Haines, Heather Himbury, Juan Lamosa, Sarah Larkin, Isabelle Leduc, Aidan Matthews, Marisa Petruzzo, Matt Randle.

Administration: Colleen Galley, principal

Commissioner: Craig Berger

Regrets: Aaryn Bradley, Rosanna Magnone, Susan Meisels, Dayo Odubayo.

Absent:

Observer: Susan Brown.

Recording Secretary: Carroll-Ann Case

1. Call to Order

Quorum having been established, the meeting was called to order at 7:05 by J. Lamosa.

2. Agenda

2.1 Additions

None.

2.2 Adoption

GB 17-03-01 It was moved by L. Cannucci and seconded by A. Campbell to adopt the agenda without change. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Questions from the Public

None.

4. Minutes of Meeting held February 21, 2017.

4.1 Corrections

None.

4.2 Adoption

GB 17-03-02 It was moved by I. Leduc and seconded by S. Larkin to adopt the minutes of February 21, 2017 without change. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

5.1 School Board Budget Consultation – due March 31, 2017.

J. Lamosa presented the GB draft response to the consultation for discussion by members. Modifications were suggested and made to the response.

GB 17-03-03 It was moved by A. Campbell and seconded by L. Fournier that

Whereas articles 193 (5) & 193 (9) stipulates the parents' committee shall be consulted on the distribution of educational services among the schools and on the objectives and principles governing the allocation of subsidies, school tax proceeds and other revenues among educational institutions as well as the criteria pertaining thereto and the objectives, principles and criteria used to determine the amount to be withheld by the school board for its needs and those of its committees; and

Whereas the Lester B. Pearson School Board Council of Commissioners adopted a resolution to consult its partners regarding its 2017 -2018 budget considerations; and

Whereas the Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School Governing Board has reviewed the consultation document and prepared a response (see attached);

Be it resolved that approval be given to send this response to the board as our official response.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Reports

6.1 Principal's Report

See report attached.

6.1.1 Field trips

Three field trips were submitted for approval.

It was moved by H. Himbury and seconded by M. Petruzzo that
Whereas article 87 of the EA stipulates the governing board is responsible for approving the programming of educational activities proposed by the principal, which entail changes in the students' regular time of arrival and departure or which require the students to leave the school premises and;

Whereas the principal, Colleen Galley has requested approval of the following field trips and where they meet with the PCHS Extra-Curricular and Field Trip Policy for the Approval of Field Trips;

Be it resolved to approve the three field trips submitted by C. Galley as follows:

GB 17-03-04 Montreal Science Fair; Mar. 26 – 28 all day; G. Mallalieu; Sec. 2 & Sec. 4 students; own transp.; 1:8 ratio; no cost.

The motion passed unanimously.

GB 17-03-05 Battle of the Books Regional (BHS); April 4, 10am – 1pm; C.A. Case; 6 students Sec. 3 - 5; car pool; 1:4 ratio; no cost.

The motion passed unanimously.

GB 17-03-06 Aboriginal Day Celebration (LPHS); April 12, 9am – 3:30pm; 4 students, Sec. 3 – 5; car pool; no cost.

The motion passed unanimously.

6.1.2 Rentals

Two rentals were submitted for GB approval. After discussion and in accordance with the LBPSB Rental of Facilities Policy and the “Criteria for Approval of Rentals at Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School” #GB 16-01-04, the cafeteria was respectfully offered as an alternate location for the Montreal Public Consultation rental.

It was moved by M. Randle and seconded by R. Haines that
Whereas article 93 of the EA stipulates the governing board is responsible for approving the use of the premises or immovables placed at the disposal of the school, proposed by the principal, subject to the obligations imposed by law for the use of the school premises for election purposes and to agreements for the use of the school premises entered into by the school board before the issue of the deed of establishment of the school and;

Whereas the principal, Colleen Galley has requested approval of the following rentals and where they meet with the PCHS GB Criteria for the Approval of Rentals;

Be it resolved to approve the two rentals submitted by Colleen Galley as follows:

GB 17-03-07 Montreal Public Consultation Office; cafeteria Mar. 26, 8am – 8pm; cafeteria Apr.4, 6pm – 10pm; cafeteria Apr. 9, 8am – 8pm.

The motion carried with 13 in favour and 1 against.

GB 17-03-08 St. Georges – St-Joseph Coptic Orthodox Church; auditorium; Apr. 29, 6pm – 10pm; Apr. 30, 9am – 9pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

6.1.3 Fundraising

One fundraising request was submitted for GB approval.

It was moved by L. Fournier and seconded by A. Crosbie that
Whereas article 94 of the EA stipulates the governing board may, in the name of the school board, solicit and receive gifts, legacies, grants and other voluntary contributions from any person or public or private organization wishing to provide funding for school activities and;

Whereas the principal, Colleen Galley has requested approval of the following fundraiser and where it meets with the PCHS GB Criteria for the Approval of Fundraisers;

Be it resolved to approve the fundraiser submitted by C. Galley as follows:

GB 17-03-09 Cabane à Sucre Cooking Class; S. Larkin; cost of ingredients \$12 per participating student; March 29.

The motion passed unanimously.

6.1.4 Service Contracts

No service contracts were submitted for GB approval.

6.2 Teachers' Report

No report.

6.3 Support Staff Report

No report.

6.4 Students' Report

See report attached.

6.5 Commissioner's Report

See report attached.

6.6 Community Reps Report

No report.

6.7 Parent Representative's Report

No report.

6.8 PPO Report

See report attached. The GB respectfully requested that further PPO requests for approval of fundraisers be submitted according to methods prescribed by the school.

GB 17-03-10 It was moved by L. Cannucci and seconded by S. Larkin to approve the PPO's request to sell refreshments at the PCHS Science Fair on April 12th.

The motion passed unanimously.

6.9 Chairperson's Report

No report.

7 New Business

7.1 Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct Applicable to the Council of Commissioners – due April 28, 2017

Item deferred till April.

7.2 GB Composition 2017 -2018 – due May 12, 2017

Members were invited to review the document “Governing Board Composition 2016-2017” provided by the school board. It was decided that no modification to the PCHS GB was required.

GB 17-03-11 It was moved by M. Randle and seconded by A. Crosbie that Whereas the Education Act requires that each school establishes its own Governing Board (Art.42); Whereas the Governing Board Composition is subject to approval by the Council of Commissioners; Whereas the document for modification to the Governing Board Composition has been read and understood by all of its members in function on this date;

Be it resolved that the PCHS Governing Board approves the current PCHS Governing Board composition without change.

The motion passed unanimously.

7.3 Subject Time Allocation

C. Galley provided documents and explanations as well as responses to the questions of the members present.

GB 17-03-12 It was moved by A. Crosbie and seconded by M. Randle to extend the meeting by 15 minutes as stipulated in the PCHS Governing Board Internal Rules.

The motion passed unanimously.

GB 17-03-13 It was moved by M. Petruzzo and seconded by H. Himbury that Whereas article 86 of the EA stipulates the Governing Board is responsible for approving the time allocation proposed by the principal for each compulsory or elective subject and shall satisfy itself that the compulsory objectives of the programs of studies established by the minister will be achieved and their compulsory contents will be acquired and that the rules governing the certification of studies prescribed by the basic school regulation are complied with and;

Whereas we support the teachers' concern about the timing of the implementation of the Financial Education course and its incongruence with the Basic School Regulation and;

Whereas to support the staffing timeline and course selection forms that include the addition of the Financial Education course mandated by the MEES,

Be it resolved to have subject/time allocation remain status quo for the 2017-2018 school year for Secondary 1 to 4 and that changes be made to the subject/time allocation for Secondary 5 in order to accommodate the 50 hours of Financial Education mandated by the Minister of Education (MEES) for 2017-2018.

The motion carried with 7 in favour, 5 against and 2 abstentions.

8. Correspondence

8.1 Incoming

PEF Comedy Show Fundraiser

8.2 Outgoing

Response to Consultation – Principal Criteria

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10. Questions from the Public

None.

11. Adjournment

GB 17-03-14 It was moved by S. Larkin and seconded by I. Leduc to adjourn the meeting at 9:05. The motion passed unanimously.

J. Lamosa, GB Chair 2016-2017

C. Galley, Principal P.C.H.S.

**GOVERNING BOARD
PIERREFONDS COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL
RESPONSE TO THE 2017 – 2018 LBPSB BUDGET CONSULTATION**

March 21st, 2017

Dear France D`Aoust,

The PCHS Governing Board is aware of the increasing stress the ministry's budget cuts place on our school board, however it is very difficult to determine and prioritize the most critical needs when all educational support are complex and interconnected. Please accept the following as the Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School Governing Board's response to the 2016 – 2017 LBPSB Budget Consultation.

Question 1: Please list additional services or orientations you would like to see offered by the school board.

- The development of literacy is a fundamental building block in every level of education. It is imperative that all school libraries and documentation technicians be maintained and/or re-instated.
- It is critical that the financial support not be decreased for services which directly impact our students, especially in the area of Special Needs.

Question 2: Do you have any suggestions to reallocate resources, increase revenues or decrease expenses or services? (note: these projects should ensure that the status of the school is ready for the school year)

- Develop and run Spring Break and Summer Programs/Camps focused on all age groups where senior high school students can serve as counsellors in training.
- Rent facilities to CEGEPs and universities after school hours, on weekends, and during the summer break.
- Introduce an optional Grade 12 program, which could be offered at a cost to participating families.

Question 3: Do you have any suggestions regarding objectives, principles or criteria used to govern the allocation of funds?

- Schools should receive the rental funds in proportion to their usage, and the maintenance and upgrades to the schools should take this into consideration.

Question 4: With regard to the communication and presentation of financial results, do you have any suggestions?

- No comment at this point.

The PCHS Governing Board has met, discussed and approved the above response. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to voice our opinion.

Sincerely,

Juan Lamosa
PCHS Governing Board Chairperson 2016/2017

Principal's report to GB – March 21st

- T2 report cards went home on the 21st
- Parent/teacher interviews took place on the 23rd. On line format was well received once again
- Students from Mr. Bertrand's secondary 5 Contemporary World class took part in the U.N. simulation. This incredible event was the first time that PCHS took part in this. We partnered with Lindsay Place High School. This two day event was a rich learning experience for all. We plan to continue this partnership and cross curricular planning with the intention to involve all secondary 5 students is in the works. Congratulations to our students and to Mr. Bertrand who took this on.
- Oral defences of personal projects are in process. Parents, teachers, community partners, representatives of the school board and school administration all take part in this process. Another example of an exceptional learning opportunity for all.
- Personal project exhibition will be Friday the 24th of March. A schedule has been made so that all classes can have the opportunity to visit
- Parents are welcome to pop in to see the project as well
- St-Anthony Elementary school is en route to becoming an I.B. school. This provides an opportunity for the PCHS community to "buddy up" with St-Anthony. Meetings are planned with administration to plan some joint activities between the two schools.
- Awareness/Acceptance week from March 20th-March 24. Pink T-Shirt day March 22nd all students and staff will be provided a pink t-shirt. Students have been discussing appropriate # in TAG class. T-shirts will be distributed to be worn on Wednesday. Aiesha Robinson will present to juniors and seniors at assemblies. We have publicized on radio (CJAD) newspaper and TV are supposed to be present at the event on Wednesday. Daily activities planned throughout the week

Aidan Matthews
Ronak Gandhi

GB Meeting #6

February-March 2017
Student Report

- Pink T-Shirt Day will take place on March 22nd as part of Acceptance Week.
- Grad photo retakes were initially scheduled for March 15th for the class of 2017. However, they now have to be rescheduled because of the snow day. Fees are set at \$10 per student.
- Mr. Bertrand's Secondary 5 IB students participated in the Model United Nations hosted by Lindsay Place High School on March 2nd and 3rd. A few delegates brought home awards for their performance at the simulation. A huge thank you to Mr. Bertrand for organizing this great experience!
- The math contest for senior students took place on February 28th.
- CEGEP applications for secondary 5 students were accepted until March 1st. Any students who are not accepted in round one will be able to apply again between March 23rd and April 20th.
- Off-season training for all outdoor track athletes is available in the fitness room on Mondays and Wednesdays with Mrs. Bagshaw.
- Parent/Teacher interviews took place on February 23rd from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm with appointments booked beforehand using the Fusion Portal.
- Information and permission forms are still available for students in secondary 1 through 4 who are interested in going to the Stratford Festival next October. Students can see Miss Yannakis for more information.
- An information session for students interested in joining the Terry Fox Club was held on March 16th.
- An information session for students interested in joining the cooking club took place on March 14th. This club perfect for those who want to learn how to cook but weren't able to take the elective course.
- The PC Players are in need of volunteer stage crew, dressers, ushers, and ticket sellers for the Cinderella Story, of which will be taking place during the first week of April.
- Senior students interested in computers and coding were welcome to join a club on March 2 hosted by Mr. Moniodis.
- The California Leadership Conference will be taking place from March 29 until April 4 for students attending.

- Grads attending CEGEP next year into a technical sciences program or any similar program had the opportunity to apply for a \$1000 scholarship sponsored by “Discover the Stars”. The deadline for submission was on March 17.
- Secondary Five IB students who submitted their personal projects in December underwent their Oral Defences March 15 (snow day oral defenses will most likely take place next week), March 16, and March 17.
- To commemorate Saint Patrick’s Day, 17 leprechauns were hidden around the school and prizes were given out to those who were able to find them. Prizes were also awarded to students wearing green clothing.

**REPORT OF THE
PIERREFONDS COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL
PARENTS ORGANIZATION
March 2017**

SCIENCE FAIR: Needs Approval

- The PPO would like to sell goodies and coffee at the PCHS Science fair on April 12th.

PCHS PAINTS: Needs Approval

- The PPO would like to have approval to add a second night, if needed, as there are only 22 easels available. Date would be set based on availability of Mme Allard.
- Original date: Tuesday, April 25th

SPEAKERS:

AMCAL

- Wednesday May 10th or Thursday May 11th.
- Role of the 21st century parent

Dr Laurie Bettito

- Monday, March 27th
- Sexting, pornography, internet hood-ups.

Grendon Haines

- Positive Parenting workshop
- Monday May 29th

YOGA:

- Sheila Southon yoga night for parents
- Tuesday, March 21st

TREASURER

- Spending balance \$1391.27.
- No change from last month

POSSIBLE FUTURE SPENDING

- Twist and Cream or Menchie's
- Geordies for an evening show
- A water bottle for each child to use at the new fountain

NEXT MEETING

- Monday, April 3rd.

**GOVERNING BOARD
PIERREFONDS COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL**

Response to the 2017 – 2018 Governing Board Composition Consultation

March 21, 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

The PCHS Governing Board does not request any change to the Governing Board composition for the 2017-2018 school year.

The PCHS Governing Board has met, discussed and approved the above response.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Juan Lamosa
PCHS Governing Board Chairperson 2016/2017

Commissioner Report

Lester B. Pearson School Board

February 2017

Council News

Regular Meeting held February 27, 2016

Dr. Judith Springate Scholarship Award

This year the recipient of the award was Matthew Babineau from MacDonald High. Dr. Judith and George Springate were on hand to make the presentation to Matthew, who is pursuing studies to become a teacher

Springdale Elementary School Choir

The choir made up of students in Grades 3 - 6 presented two selections under the direction of their teacher, Mme Turcotte.

Westwood Senior Concert Band

Under the direction of Steve Dubinsky the Senior Concert Band of Westwood High School presented several selections. Two particular highlights were the presentation of the theme song from Titanic which featured vocal accompaniment by a Westwood teacher who had appeared on the show, La Voix, and a stirring rendition of music from Pirates of the Caribbean.

Junior Leadership Conference

Once again Westpark hosted the Junior Leadership Conference. Director General Michael Chechile attended for part of the day and made special mention of this event focusing on the future student leadership and developing the themes of Respect, Trust and the Culture of Learning.

St. Anthony Elementary Program Change

A resolution was adopted by Council upon request of the Governing Board of St. Anthony's to approve their pursuing of the implementation of the International Baccalaureate Program as the school program delivery model.

For up to date news and emergency information please visit the LBPSB website
<http://www.lbpsb.qc.ca/eng/home.asp>

Summer School 2017

The summer school program will run from July 3 to July 28. There are two locations, one at Lasalle Community Comprehensive High School and the other at St. Thomas High School. Transportation will be available to St. Thomas location for off island students.

Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct Applicable to the Council of Commissioners

Council adopted a resolution launching a consultation on the newly revamped Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. The draft of the By-Law is posted on the Board's website under the consultations tab.

Electoral Divisions

In view of the large territory covered by the Board and the number of electors residing therein Council approved making a request to the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports to establish two (2) more electoral divisions than the number provided by law, the whole as permitted under the Act Respecting School Elections.

Other Items of Interest

Consultations Present and To Come

<u>Launched</u>		<u>Deadline for Response</u>
Budget 2017-2018	-	March 31, 2017
Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct	-	April 28, 2017

Pearson Educational Foundation

The Foundation is holding two fundraisers to help with the programs that it supports in our schools: Benefit Comedy Show with Joey Elias on March 31st at 8:00 p.m. at Lakeside Academy. Tickets are \$25 and are available at <http://pef.lbpsb.qc.ca/comedy.htm> and The Annual Montreal Impact/LBPSB Partnership Game on April 15th at 1:00 p.m. at Saputo Stadium. Tickets are \$14. Available at <http://pef.lbpsb.qc.ca/impact.htm>

On behalf of myself and my Council colleagues I wish each and every one of you a energized return from March break!