



**PIERREFONDS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD 2019-2020
Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday November 12th, 2019**

- Members Present:** Josie Arcobelli, Aaryn Bradley, Lori Brown, Luciana Cifarelli, Lynda Giguère, Meghan Guyver, Marcus Hamaker, Heather Himbury, Huda Khwaja, Naveen Kumar, Juan Lamosa, Sarah Larkin, Kristine Pino (alt), Greg Piggins, Matt Randle, Caityn Ritchot, Jen Sholzberg, Kim Teolis
- Administration:** Cindy Wallach, Principal
Lori McKergow, Vice-Principal
- Absent:** Bill Riddoch, Melissa Derail
Regrets: Craig Berger, Nan Beaton
- Recording Secretary:** Sheila Moody
- Public:** Sheila Moody (alt), Chris Eustace (public),
Malik Shaheed + 2 other representatives + 2 parents (all from Youth Stars)

1. Call to Order

Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:12 by Juan Lamosa

2. Agenda

2.1 Additions

Holiday concert for Muses (to be added under 6.1.1 field trips)

2.2 Approval

GB 19-11-01 It was moved by Jen Sholzberg and seconded by Aaryn Bradley to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.
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3. Questions from the public

Chris Eustace spoke about 3 topics related to letters he wrote:

Ethics and the need for Bill 40: http://www.thesuburban.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/ethics-and-the-need-for-bill/article_4319b5fe-c324-540a-98db-5fc980db2e57.html

School Tax Dollars: <https://www.yourlocaljournal.ca/single-post/2019/10/31/Letter-to-the-editor-3-Oct-31-2019>

Bill 40 is not 'doomed to fail': <https://montrealgazette.com/opinion/editorials/editorial-governing-our-schools>

4. Minutes of the meeting held October 15, 2019

4.1 Corrections

No corrections or additions required

4.2 Approval

GB 19-11-02 It was moved by Luciana Cifarelli and seconded by Aaryn Bradley to approve the minutes of October 15, 2019. The motion was carried unanimously.
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5. Business arising from the minutes

5.1 GB Budget 2018-19

GB 19-11-03 It was moved by Sarah Larkin and seconded by Jen Sholzberg to approve the 2018-19 GB budget. The motion was carried unanimously.

5.2 Facilities Rental Policy Consultation

GB 19-11-04 It was moved by Jen Sholzberg and seconded by Linda Giguère not to respond to this consultation. The motion was carried unanimously.

6. Reports

6.1 Principal's Report

A verbal report was given that included the following points:

- There is major renovation work scheduled for next summer (windows, bathrooms, locker rooms, doors, water fountains, enlarging elevator, library noise level management, acoustic tiles for exterior classes, new signage for drop off zone)
- Cabaret was a great success
- Committee on school climate, in conjunction with ABAV committee and Educational project: all underway – nothing to share yet because starting over to reflect the amalgamation of the 2 schools
- Attended RTI conference on student success – information will start to be shared with the staff next week
- UQAM student – helping in French; will have McGill students after Christmas
- Sports teams all doing well - Bantam boys flag football won the playoffs
- Improv has started
- Had Remembrance Day celebration and a Holocaust survivor presentation – both went very well
- Hired another 0.5 teacher for Phys Ed and Art

Greg Piggins arrived at 7:28PM

6. Reports (continued)

6.1.1 Field trips

The following field trips were presented for approval:

It was moved by Sarah Larkin and seconded by Greg Piggins that the following field trips be approved:

	Trip/Activity	Date	Time	Person(s) in charge	Grade level(s)	Transportation	Ratio (adult: student)	Cost
GB 19-11-05	Muses Holiday Concert	13-Dec-19	1:15pm-3:30pm	P. Aldred M. Guyver	I-V	Walk/carpool	1:06	\$0
The motion was carried unanimously								
GB 19-11-06	New York Theater Workshop Trip	Mar 28-31, 2020	All day	J. Acrobelli	III-V	bus	1:06	\$875 max plus spending money
The motion was carried with 13 for, and 4 abstentions								
GB 19-11-07	Stratford Festival	Oct 15-17, 2020	All day	D. Yannakis	II-V	Bus	1:10	\$385
The motion was carried unanimously								
GB 19-11-08	Muses holiday concert at PCHS (approval in principle)	Dec. 17, 2019	7PM	M. Guyver	I-V	n/a	1:15	\$0
The motion was carried unanimously (with paperwork to follow by next meeting)								

FYI Only (no approval needed due to blanket approval for Crossroads)

Lex McGill law outreach - providing students with information on legal rights and issues

6.1.2 Rentals

There were no rentals submitted for approval this month

6.1.3 Fundraising

The following fundraisers were presented for approval:

It was moved by Heather Himbury and seconded by Jen Sholzberg that the following fundraisers be approved:

	Activity	Contact	Details	Date
GB 19-11-09	New York Theater Workshop Trip	J. Acrobelli	Bake sale and bagging	November 2019 to March 2020
The motion was carried unanimously				
GB 19-11-10	PC Players - Chocolate sales	L. Brown	Selling chocolate bars	November 2019 to April 2020
The motion was carried unanimously				
GB 19-11-11	PC Players Tocara	L. Brown	Catalogue sales	November 2019 to April 2020
The motion was carried unanimously				
GB 19-11-12	Personal Project - Sabrina Saad (\$ management to be supervised by administration)		Spirit week	November 18-22, 2019
The motion was carried unanimously				

Note: Snack Bar after school, proposed by A. Gutman, was deferred (again) to the December meeting for approval as more details are needed

6. Reports (continued)

6.1.4 Service Contracts

It was moved by Sarah Larkin and seconded by Matt Randle that the following service contracts be approved:

	Contract Title	Awarded To	Details	# of Hours or Time	Charged to Students or Grant
GB 19-11-13	Francization	Roxanne LeClaire	\$3000.00 (\$50/hr)	60 Hours	Grant
The motion was carried unanimously					
GB 19-11-14	Homework Support	Kelley Citrin	\$2880.00 (\$40/hr)	72 Hours	Grant
		Bianca Di Ruocco	\$2500.00 (\$50/hr)	50 Hours	
		Tamar Campbell	\$2500.00 (\$50/hr)	50 Hours	
The motion was carried unanimously					
GB 19-11-15	Special Project	Amy Aloe	\$4960.00 (\$20/hr)	248 Hours	Grant
The motion was carried unanimously					
GB 19-11-16	English Support/Literacy	Maria Falsetto Aloe	\$4400.00 (\$50/hr)	88 Hours	Grant
The motion was carried unanimously					
GB 19-11-17	Tutoring for History Exam	Trevor Sinodhinos	\$562.50 (\$50/hr)	11.25 Hours	Grant
The motion was carried unanimously					
GB 19-11-18	Measure 15028 (up to \$500/student enrolled in an ECA)	TBD	\$95000 (A blanket approval for the school board & PCHS to manage it)		Grant
The motion was carried unanimously					

6.2 Teachers' Report

A verbal report was given including the following points: marks due this week; parent-teacher meetings coming up; alternative programs are doing well and going to the Eco Museum on the 21st, using new nutra towers (for vegetables), and planning a trip to upper Canada village in the spring (2 alternative classes with IB English)

6.3 Support Staff Report

Nothing to report

6.4 Students' Report

Written report shared with GB. Items included for approval will be officially submitted after holidays. Verbally added 2 points:

- Appreciated the 2 assemblies which were both very good
- Would like to know why printing was cancelled during take 20 (Answer: too chaotic & not enough available supervision)

6.5 Commissioner's Report

Written reports were shared with GB, but commissioners were not in attendance

6.6 Community Representative's Report

No community representative in attendance

6. Reports (continued)

6.7 Parent Representative's Report

Written report from AGA shared with GB. A presentation on Bill 40 was also shared but it is for internal use only.

6.8 IEP Rep for SNAC Report

SNAC MSR for meeting held on October 23rd was shared & can be found on the SNAC website along with other documents referenced in the MSR. SNAC's IEP information night, held on November 6th was a big success with over 80 parents in attendance. Celina Berube gave a very insightful presentation and there was a lot of interest and questions. A Q&A document is being prepared

- Sheila to follow up if we can get a copy of Celina's presentation.

6.9 PPO Report

Written report shared with GB

6.10 Chairperson's Report

In the interest of time, nothing to report

7. New Business

7.1 Election of Vice-Chair for the GB

It was decided not to name an official vice chair but rather to have a parent volunteer to chair whenever Juan is absent (which he will be for the December meeting).

- Greg Piggins has volunteered to chair the next meeting

7.2 GB Budget 2019-20

GB 19-11-19 It was moved by Greg Piggins and seconded by Marcus Hamaker to approve the 2019-20 GB budget. The motion was carried with 1 abstention.

GB 19-11-20 It was moved by Luciana Cifarelli and seconded by Josie Arcobelli to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. The motion was carried unanimously

7.3 November Revised budget

Cindy reviewed the budget and explained the support to student success funds (new for GB to see) It cannot yet be approved as final as there is still money outstanding from the board.

GB 19-11-21 It was moved by Heather Himbury and seconded by Jen Sholzberg to approve the budget subject to budgetary adjustments from the board. The motion was carried unanimously

7.4 Criteria for the Approval of Fundraising Activities

Tabled until the December meeting

7.5 Criteria for the Approval of Extra-Curricular Activities and Field Trips

Tabled until the December meeting

7.6 Criteria for the Approval of Rentals

Tabled until the December meeting

7. New Business (continued)

7.7 Presentation by Youth Stars Foundation-Fondation Jeunes Etoiles

The group that came to represent Youth Stars made a short presentation to explain the organization and share testimonials from parents. They will share their presentation for further details.

A few points that were clarified:

- PCHS is already a CLC school
- As a CLC partner with Riverdale, Youth Stars had access to space at no charge for activities
- Any CLC requests for rooms or space must go through administration first and can then be brought to GB. However, there is currently little to no space available due to the joining of the two schools.

Sarah Larkin left at 9:02PM

7.8 Holiday Dinner

An email will circulate to determine the specifics for the holiday dinner

8. Correspondence

8.1 Incoming: Commissioners' reports

8.2 Outgoing: None

9. Varia: None

10. Questions from the public

Chris Eustace mentioned a concern that was raised at the PC Meeting about Google Hangouts – he will leave behind information which Cindy will scan and share.

11. Adjournment

GB 19-22 It was moved by Josie Arcobelli and seconded by Greg Piggins to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 PM. The motion was carried unanimously.

Juan Lamosa, GB Chair 2019-2020

C. Wallach, Principal P.C.H.S.