

# PIERREFONDS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD 2020-2021 Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday February 9th<sup>th</sup>, 2020

DRAFT MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING

Members Present:	Josie Arcobelli, Stefania Bertrand, Lori Brown, Susan Brown, Luciana Cifarelli, Angela Crosbie, Lynda Giguère, Meghan Guyver, Chris Pearson, Ivanka Chomyl (student),Robert Lang-Sabourin (student), Jennifer Sholzberg,, Kristine Pino (alt), Brenda Downes-Tremellen (parent alt), Natasha Lo Basso(replacing Sarah Larkin) Naveen Kumar, Isabelle Leduc
Non-Voting Staff: Administration:	Kemba Mitchel (CLC) Nick Hayter, Principal
Commissioners:	Craig Berger
Community Reps:	Haydn Baggoo
Regrets: Absent:	Juan Lamosa (alt), Greg Piggins,Marcus Hamaker, Sofia Berghello (alt) , Rawan Moudarres,
Recording Secretary:	Sofia Berghello and Susan Brown
Public:	Chris Eustace, Matthew McCarthy (student-teacher), Heather Himbury (alt), Peter Oland (staff)

## 1. Call to Order

Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by Chris Pearson.

#### 2. Agenda

2.1 Additions

### 2.2 Approval

**GB20-12-01-01** It was motioned by brenda and seconded Angela by to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

## 3. Questions from the Public

No questions raised

### 4. Minutes of Meeting held November 10, 2020

### 4.1 Corrections Public: naveen, Isabelle and greg are members not alts

#### 4.2 Approval

**GB20-12-01-02** It was motioned by Isabelle and seconded by Luciana to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as amended. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

**5.1** Criteria for the Approval of Rentals Tabled

### 6. Reports

## 6.1 Teachers' Report

A verbal report was provided which included:

-Zoom classes after December holidays: juniors who aren't used to doing online learning adjusted to this type of attendance. Seniors had been doing alternate days already so transitioned easily to the every day online classes.

-outdoor classes some teachers are trying to host their in person classes outdoors. Phys ed especially trying to do this. Phys Ed dept is looking for donations of cross country skis and snowshoes

-students of the months awarded next week. Every class would have student of the month for each subject, then the admin select one student per class for a special recognition.

-parent teacher meetings were online and staff appreciated the flexibility it allowed.

-leadership activities (Ms Yannakis and Mr. Bertrand) challenge is to find activities while respecting the COVID sanitary rules, but they are finding activities and challenges for everyone to participate -staff appreciated the treats that were provided by PPO on Parent-Teacher interview day.

-Culture in Schools grants: SLAM poet will be visiting, via zoom, a french class. Other teachers are looking to apply for these grants

-skating rink outside on school grounds (maintained by the Pierrefonds-Roxboro borough) : Phys Ed Department is looking into the possibility of using the ice rink during phys ed classes

## 6.2 Support Staff Report (Kim Teolis)

No report was submitted as the support staff member was not present.

## 6.3 Students' Report

Student report saved to the GB google drive folder and was presented during the meeting.

## 6.4 Community Learning Center Report

Report now saved to the GB google drive folder. The report included:

The CLC January 2021 newsletter will be distributed soon via social media and emailed to parents Social media platforms and website up and running and please follow, like, share and provide them with feedback,

Committees:

Steering committee: still needs members (1-2 parents, 1-2 students needed) goal is to meet the first week of march

Volunteer committee: a staff member has agree to lead it - staff and student members Equity and Inclusion committee: 1-2 parents and 1-2 students needed

Programming: visions program Love organization (photography and media arts), additional academic support outside of school is available such as ymca and other online support to students, The CLC will advise the PCHS community and students about these supports

overture of the arts: 2nd presentation today of a total of three

I belong project in one English class

workshop was provided to staff during a ped day (they are looking for feedback and testimonials) Black history month: areas to have displays and info about black history (add to the one near the

library and maybe one more on bottom floor (need a volunteer to help with this)

virtual presentation: more info to come

Black History Month: CLC would appreciate if Staff could please share what is going on in their classroom about black history month so that they can spread the word Many other resources available, visit the CLC website and read the upcoming newsletter.

6.5 Commissioner's Report (Craig Berger)

Commissioner's report was saved to the GB Google drive.

Commissioners appreciate all of the work that staff have done to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the schools as the number of cases has been lower than in other boards Task force on Inclusivity ongoing and report will be coming in the spring of 2021 Virtual open houses of all schools are posted on the LBPSB website Communications committee have added LBPSB in the News section to the board website Next Council meeting is on Feb 22nd

# 6.6 Community Reps Report (Haydn Baggoo)

More diverse history curriculum in sec 3 and 4. Local and regional history is lacking. Not reflective of the shared diversity of Quebec (such as Women). Document which was saved to the GB google drive about history education and requests made by three commissions and reports in Quebec as well as resources available. Advocating for a more diverse history curriculum in Secondary 3 and 4 and asking the Council of Commissioners and .

**GB 20-12-03** It was motioned by Haydn Baggoo and seconded by JOsie to approve GB to ask the council of commissioner and the task force to help improve / enrich the curriculum of the history of Quebec classes in Secondary III and Secondary IV to be more inclusive and culturally relevant of contributions by all Quebec communities x. Motion was carried unanimously.

## 6.7 Parent Representative's Report

NO report as the meeting was cancelled last month

## 6.8 IEP representative for SNAC Report

SNAC report was saved to the GB Google drive folder.

#### 6.9 PPO Report

Thank you to the staff for all of their hard work teaching in these challenging conditions. Thank you for being very flexible and understanding with our children.

## 6.10 Principal's Report (Nick Hayter)

The Principal's report is attached.

including:

open house 13january - virtual presentation was very well attended by grade 5-6 feeder schools families

Term one report cards released on Mozaik

So far 67% of the students / parents in Grade 7-10 have completed their re-registration for next year, reminders will be sent out, direct contact and paper copies will be sent home

-course selection will be available soon on Mozaik for next school year

Honor roll celebration will take place (principals' honor role and honor role)

March schedule will come out soon for students online and in person days (grade 9-11)

There were no field trips presented for approvals

# 6.10.2 Rentals

There were no rentals presented for approvals.

## 6.10.3 Fundraising

woodworking program online store: They will solicit used or damaged wood furniture to be fixed / repurposed by students and then be sold online as well as projects completed inclass by students, 50% of the money raised would go to charity, 50% would go into funding the woodworking program to lower class fees.

**GB 20-12-07** It was motioned by xBrenda and seconded by xAngela to approve woodworking fundraising requests as presented. Motion was carried unanimously.

# 6.10.4 Service Contracts

Upcoming: Learning for young minds (school staff program) Continuation of academic support program (staff) Love program Upstart Ed (entrepreneur ship project - design class 9 week program)

Tabled till next month so that additional details can be provided.

## 6.11 Chairperson's Report (Chris Pearson)

Thank you to the staff and we really appreciate all that you have done this year under the difficult Covid-19 conditions.

## 7. New Business

- 7.1 LBPSB Budget Consultation (March 31) Tabled until next meeting so that we can review what was presented last year.
- 7.2 Principal Criteria Consultation (March 12)

**GB 20-12-07** It was motioned by Angela Crosbie and seconded by Lori Brown to approve the principal's criteria consultation response as presented. Motion was carried unanimously.

**7.3** Subject Time Allocation 2021-2022 Tabled until next month.

Course selection guide is being created for parents and students to refer to when making course selections -Grade 7 students will be given a choice for arts (as they were restricted in 2020-2021 due to COVID) -Grade 9: math essentials will also be an option (but only by teacher recommendations)

-Grade 10: will include asking students which Math class they would like (CST or SN), history will be a choice of language for everyone (not just students in immersion), asking students for all of their elective options in case they don't get into the science stream

## Questions / Comments:

IB students have their own requirements and may not have all of the options available to them as the IB program has its own requirements

Guitar/songwriting - are guitars available (yes student would purchase their own guitars or would be provided with one if they are financially unable to purchase a guitar)

Music will not be an option in secondary 4 or secondary 5 (nor in secondary 2 or 3 - it will only be available to grade 7 students so that it can be built on over several years. it was not available this year due to COVID).

Could woodworking be included as an option for IB students - Lori Brown will discuss with the teachers who teach it, but it will have to meet with all of the IB requirements which may be a challenge.

### 8. Correspondence

#### 8.1 Incoming

Principal Criteria Consultation

### 8.2 Outgoing

None

## 9. Varia

None

### 10. Questions from the Public

It was noted that EMSB has been pushing for improved history curriculum and this may be an ally in this endeavour

It was noted that there is little information about how students are doing in school (especially Math) with the alternating online and in person days.

## 11. Adjournment

**GB 20-10-08** It was motioned by Angela and seconded by Brenda to adjourn the meeting at 7:53pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chris Pearson, GB Chair 2020-2021

Nick Hayter, Principal P.C.H.S.







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