

PIERREFONDS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

GOVERNING BOARD 2024-2025

Minutes of the Meeting held on May 13th 2025 @6:30 Virtual



Members Present: **Parents:** Chris Pearson (Chairperson) Daniel Obiri, Greg Piggins (*Parent Rep*) Brenda Downes (PPO), Melanie Mammarella, Rosana Pistilli
 Staff: Angela Jane Crosbie, Josie Arcobelli, Alexander Navarrete, Donna Blake, Jennifer Sholzberg, Keith Mills (support staff), Daniel Vanson, Rawan Moudarres

 Students: Melissa Levine, Presley Cleaveland

Administration: **Principal:** Daniel Maag, Kathleen O'Reilly (Interim), V.P Allan Fink

Commissioner: Alaina Charszan

Community Reps: None

Regrets/Absent: Saad Ahmed, Talia D'Costa, Jacqueline Jansons, V.P Nathalie Cheff, Debbie Begg, Sanaz Ameri

Recording Secretary: Melanie Mammarella

Public: Chris Eustace

1. CALL TO ORDER

Quorum was established and Chris Pearson called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM.

2. AGENDA

2.1. Additions

None

2.2. Approve

GB 25-05-01 *It was motioned by Melanie Mammarella and seconded by Jennifer Sholzberg to approve the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously.*

3. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Q: Chris Eustace:

Has the governing board received any updates about the QESBA report regarding the care conference held on September 25th and 26th 2025 from Minister Drainville, and has the governing board been consulted about this report?

A: Chris Pearson:

No the board hasn't received anything

A: Alaina Charszan:

The report has made its way to the board, and Alana will ask the question at their next meeting, but they are not ready to share anything yet.

4. MINUTES OF MEETING APRIL 8TH 2025

4.1. Corrections

Spelling correction in Rosana's name spelled with one n not two, and Greg is spelled with one G not two.

GB 25-05-02 *It was motioned by Brenda Downes and seconded by Gregg Piggins to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.*

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 NONE

6. REPORTS

6.1. Students' Report

Full report is on the shared drive and includes the following subjects:

- Cooking students went to Sunshine Academy for a series of cooking projects with the students.
- 6 Secondary Five students participated and competed in the competition for the culinary award. One winner will be selected and announced at convocation
- Our Sec 1-4 Music students had their first annual music recital led by teacher Mr. Posedi. There were two events for juniors and seniors with them performing a series of songs
- Secondary Fives went to Toronto for their grad trip, they went to Medieval Times, a baseball game and more for 3 days
- We had our second annual art exhibit with students from all arts sector
- The BOTB club had their ultimate book competition. Our team placed third
- Our robotics team competed in the Zone 01 Robotics Challenge
- Grade 10 students visited New York for their annual trip. They went to times square and saw a Broadway plays among other things
- WOTP participated in a painting workshop hosted by our Visions program
- Student Union had their final event of the year, Grads Night In that included grad trivia and a memory filled movie
- Pc Players had 4 public showings of their musical production of Footloose, including one to Carrefour des Aînés and one for our WOTP and Crossroads program
- We are having a prom fundraiser by hosting a car wash! Make sure to bring your vehicles and help us out!
- Scholarship applications have been released for sec5 students

6.2. Teachers' Report

Full report is on the shared drive and includes the following subjects:

- Many of our spring sports teams are concluding or in the thick of their seasons: HALO race team (concluded on Mount Royal May 8th), Lacrosse, Flag Football, Baseball, Track & Field are still going on.
- Our Juvy Boys Basketball team represented PCHS and our GMAA well at the Provincials.
- On Tuesday, April 29th, Miss Leclair, along with other colleagues in the arts, hosted another impressive Art Exhibition.
- Our PC Players, directed by Miss Brown, held the production of Footloose at the end of April, (April 24th to 26th).
- Mr. Posedi put on a few musical concerts for the school last week. Parents were able to see the student perform and collect some donations to help repair instruments this summer.
- Our Battle of the Books Team, placed 3rd in the overall competition, representing our school very well.
- Archery has been offered to students and staff for the first time in history.
THANK YOUUUUUU!
- Our students went to NY City and Toronto since we last met, having enjoyed themselves tremendously.
- IB assessments took place last week
- Grad Night In activity took place inside due to the weather of the evening on May 9th.
- Prom and Convocation are coming up soon.
- Select members of our cooking classes were trained in how to teach cooking to students of Sunshine Academy. They worked with K and grade six groups teaching them knife skills and different recipes.
- The culinary award cook-off took place with the winner being announced at the convocation ceremony on June 13th.
- The greatest show of the year at PCHS, our **Athletics Banquet**, will be taking place Friday, June 6th; preparations have been well on their way for the event throughout the school year: video editing, food orders, ordering of plaques, etc...
- Student Union 2025/26 Elections took place.

6.3. Support Staff Report

Full report is on the shared drive and includes the following subjects:

- ECA's for the most part have wrapped up; there are still a couple going.
- The homework after school program is still going. Support Staff will be helping students right up until the exams
- Some of the volunteer opportunities have wrapped up. Students who volunteered at the Photography studio had their last opportunity last Friday. We will continue this partnership next year.
- Wednesday (14th) will be the last luncheon with seniors from the Pierrefonds community. The BBQ club under the direction of Dan Vanson will be catering the event. We will also have BBQ & CIE supplying the grills. They have worked with the BBQ club in the past and continue their relationship with the school and the community.

Library promotion:

- On display to celebrate Asian heritage month is a collection of Asian Own Voices books (books featuring people of Asian descent by authors of Asian descent) with a wide range of genres and topics (biographies, manga, fiction, graphic novels) in both French and English.
- PCHS competed in the Ultimate Battle competition for Battle of the Books on April 29th at The Study. Our team came in 3rd place. We now have a banner that will be hung on the wall celebrating our 1st place win at the Board battle, and we received a trophy that is on display in the library's display case for a year. Planning for next year's competition has started as we are in the book selection process for next year's titles.

Library usage:

- The library this month has been used for several meetings, as a space to do class group work, and will be used by the WOTP students to showcase their work for this year on May 14th. The library will also be used by the resource department for the elementary school visits on May 13th and May 21st.
- We currently have 265 overdue books and have enlisted the help of TAG teachers to recover them, as some students are not reading their emails. All books are due on May 31st.

6.4. EDI report

None

6.5. Commissioner's Report

The Council of Commissioners approved that the LBPSB Code of Ethics be adopted.

- The Council of Commissioners approved that By-law 1 (2025) - To fix the day, time and place of Regular Meetings of the Council of Commissioners and By-law 1E (2025) - To fix the day, time and place of Regular Meetings of the Executive Committee be adopted effective April 29, 2025.
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the Lester B. Pearson School Board 2025-2026 Student Transportation Organizational Plan be adopted.
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the final draft of the Contract Management Policy of the Lester B. Pearson School Board be adopted effective April 29, 2025.
- The Council of Commissioners approved that approval be given for the Lester B. Pearson School Board to participate in the Purchasing Group (Grocery Products) from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2027, with the possibility of a renewal for 1 subsequent term of 1 year for a maximum total estimated amount of \$630,000 (before taxes); and the Director General of the School Board be authorized to sign said contract for, and on behalf of, the Lester B. Pearson School Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFFING CHANGE

- The Council of Commissioners approved that Nancy Potvin be temporarily assigned to the position Assistant Director of Human Resources of the Lester B. Pearson School Board, effective July 1, 2025.
- LAST FIRST POSITION SCHOOL/ CENTRE
Maag Daniel Principal PCHS Permanent
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the plumbing service contract (Project #FINA2025-3) for the period of May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2030 be awarded, in accordance with the tender documents, to the lowest compliant bidder Mécanicaction Inc. for a maximum estimated amount for five years of \$550,000(before taxes); and the Director General of the School Board be authorized to sign the resulting procurement delegations and purchase orders for, and on behalf of, the Lester B. Pearson School Board.
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the contract for St. John Fisher Elementary School General of the School Board
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the contract for St. John Fisher Elementary School – Junior
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the contract for Pierrefonds Community High School:
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the contract for Lakeside Academy High School
- The Council of Commissioners approved that the contract for St. Thomas High School:
The Council of Commissioners approved that resolutions 2023-05-#16 and 2024-05-27#09 be amended to add the item “school lockers”; and approval be given to the Lester B. Pearson School Board's participation in the Comité de gestion de la taxe scolaire de l’île de Montréal Group Purchasing Plan for the 2026-2027 school years for the items listed in the attachment.

6.6. Community Reps Reports

None

6.7. Parent Representative’s Report

- Last meetings key points; discussion about library in elementary school-lack of librarians
- Discussion on bill 94
- Vote to send a letter to counsel about spending funds on legal battles which was approved

6.8. IEP Rep for SNAC Report

None

6.9. PPO Report

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- Last meeting took place on May 6th, confirmed dates for bus drivers thank you cookies which will take place on May 22nd afterschool.
- Looking for volunteers for the upcoming convocation.

- Last meeting on June 19th is going to be a dinner meeting.

6.10. Principal's Report

7. Full report is on the shared drive

Daniel Maag the new principle introduces himself, and Kathleen 'O'Reilly shares the following subject regarding;

6.10.1 Fieldtrips

GB 25-05-03 *It was motioned by Melanie Mammarella and seconded by Alexander Navarrete to approve the Fieldtrips. The motion was carried unanimously.*

6.10.2 Rental

None

6.10.3 Fundraising

GB 25-05-04 *It was motioned by Greg Piggins and seconded by Rosana Pistilli to approve the Fundraising. The motion was carried unanimously.*

6.10.4 Service contracts

None

6.11.1 Chairperson Report

None

8. NEW BUSINESS

Full report is on the shared drive and includes the following subjects:

7.1 CONSULTATION - THREE-YEAR PLAN OF ALLOCATION AND DESTINATION OF IMMOVABLE 2025-2028 (JUNE 13)

7.2 ABAV SUMMARY

Full report is on the shared drive

GB 25-05-05 *It was motioned by Daniel Vanson and seconded by Brenda Downes to approve the ABAV summary. The motion was carried unanimously.*

7.3 CODE OF CONDUCT

Full report is on the shared drive

GB 25-05-06 *It was motioned by Melanie Mammarella seconded by Daniel Vanson to approve Code of Conduct. The motion was carried unanimously.*

7.4 SCHOOL FEES

Full report is on the shared drive

GB 25-05-07 *It was motioned by Josie Arcobelli and seconded by Jennifer Sholzberg to approve the school fees. The motion was carried unanimously.*

7.5 SCHOOL SURVEY SUMMARY

Full report is on the shared drive

7.6 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Full report is on the shared drive

GB 25-05-08 *It was motioned by Daniel Vanson seconded by Brenda Downes to approve the School calendar. The motion was carried unanimously.*

7.7 CHANGES TO SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Full report is on the shared drive

7.8 CELL PHONE

Full report is on the shared drive

7.9 INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

Full report is on the shared drive

7.10 SCHOOL UNIFORM

Full report is on the shared drive

7.11 PCHS Athletic core values

Full report is on the shared drive

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. Incoming

Governing Board composition, nothing was sent in so the board composition remains the same; total 20 members, 8 parents, 8 staff, 2 students and 2 community members.

9.2. Outgoing

10. VARIA None

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC None

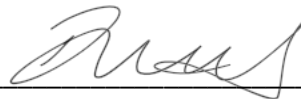
12. ADJOURNMENT

GB 25-05-08 it was motioned by Angela Jane Crosbie and seconded by Brenda Downes to adjourn the meeting at 7:28PM. The motion was carried unanimously



Chris Pearson

GB Chair 2024-2025



Daniel Maag

Principal, PCHS