



**PIERREFONDS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD 2023-2024
Minutes of the Meeting held November 14, 2023**

Members Present: **Parents:** Debbie Begg, Brenda Downes, Daniel Obiri, Chris Pearson, Greg Piggins
Staff: Josie Arcobelli, Donna Blake, Angela Crosbie, Jackie Jansons,
Alexander Navarrete, Keith Mills, Jen Sholzberg
Students: Nyla Alleyne + Lujain Hamdaqa

Administration: **Acting Principal:** Sheila Honeybourne
VP: Arryn Bradley

Regrets/Absent: Marcus Hamaker, Sheila Moody, Howard Puritt, Craig Berger

Recording Secretary: Sheila Moody (via recording)

Public: Chris Eustace

1. Call to Order

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

2. Agenda

2.1. Additions

2.2. Approval

GB 23-11-01 *It was motioned by Brenda Downes and seconded by Angela Crosbie to approve the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously.*

3. Questions from the public

At the last council meeting, Chris raised a point about the Quebec Government program on ABAV. He's wondering if there's been any talk about having a person policing the school to prevent violence.

A – We will discuss the updated policy later but there is nothing in there about a guard.

Q - Any movement regarding Kids Help Phone suggestion?

A - Link is now on website plus a couple of other new links.

4. Minutes of the meetings held October 10, 2023

4.1. Corrections

4.2. Approval

GB 23-11-02 *It was motioned by Jen Sholzberg and seconded by Greg Piggins to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.*

5. Business arising from the minutes

5.1. CONSULTATION - Enrolment Criteria Policy (Nov 17)

- Chris asked for comments on the criteria – none brought forward
- As there are no comments, no need to pass a motion

5.2. CONSULTATION – Daycare and Lunch Program Services (Nov 27)

- Does not apply to PCHS
- Chris asked for comments on the program just in case – none brought forward
- As there are no comments, no need to pass a motion

5.3. EDDI Training Awareness Video

- Chris shared the 20-minute video with the board

5.4. CONSULTATION – School Success Plan (Nov 27)

- Chris asked for comments on the plan – none brought forward
- As there are no comments, no need to pass a motion

5.5. CONSULTATION – Complaint Process (Nov 27)

- Chris asked for comments on the process
- Brenda raised the point that we report physical abuse to Department of Youth Protection (DYP) if conducted by an adult, but not if it's by a minor.
- Ms. Honeybourne said that you can always ask for a consultation and give the information you have to DYP and then they can further investigate (and consult their database).
- Reference – last page, addendum A

GB 23-11-03 *It was motioned by Brenda Downes and seconded by Greg Piggins to change the wording on physical abuse to “subject to physical abuse by any person including another minor child”. The motion was carried unanimously.*

5.6. CONSULTATION - Continuing Education Fees (Nov 17)

- Chris asked for comments on the document
- As there are no comments, no need to pass a motion

5.7. PCHS Updated LBPSB ABAV Plan 2023-2024

- The plan was shared with GB members on the shared drive
- Aaryn mentioned that we are excited to have the document completed – ahead of many others
- Chris asked for questions or comments – none brought forth
- Chris said it was well written and liked the annual evaluation at the end.

GB 23-11-04 *It was motioned by Alexander Navarrete and seconded by Brenda Downes to approve the ABAV Plan. The motion was carried unanimously.*

6. Reports

6.1. Students' Report

- Full report is on the shared drive
- Includes updates on sports, clubs (one of note – trojan spirit issued it's first issue and can be found on Instagram) and other key points like vaccination, open house, multicultural day and more.
- It also mentions student concerns about the strike, wanting student representation on the EDDI committee, effects in school due to Palestine-Israel conflict and wondering if student of the month and honour roll will still be done.
 - Re/EDDI – starting student council – representative will meet with Ms. Bradley to express concerns at grassroots level
 - All departments meeting to discuss mid-terms (not government based – controlled by teachers); ministry exams are too far away to decide how they will be handled if the strike were to continue

6.2. Teachers' Report

- Full report is on the shared drive
- Includes updates on sports, Remembrance Day, Halloween Spirit week, drive to collect coats, socks, etc., vaccine campaign and more.

6.3. Support Staff Report

- Full report is on the shared drive
- Support staff help with ECA's and homework program, do bi-weekly visits to senior centre to serve lunch and look after Santa for Seniors

6.4. EDI Report

No report

6.5. Community Learning Center Report

NA

6.6. Commissioner's Report

Report is in the folder. Craig had to attend another meeting.

6.7. Community Rep's Report

NA

6.8. Parent Representative's Report

- Meeting Summary report on shared drive
- Items Brenda highlighted included:
 - Presentation on complaints procedure
 - PC no longer using basecamp – now using BAND
 - Bill 40 update
 - Approved SNAC representatives for this school year

6.9. IEP Rep for SNAC Report

- SNAC report on shared drive
- Send questions to Chris or Sheila

6.10. PPO Report

- Met last week
- Need approval for a Domino’s Pizza Night – in December, likely the 13th (Wednesday)

GB 23-11-05 It was motioned by Brenda Downes and seconded by Greg Piggins to approve the Domino’s fundraiser. The motion was carried unanimously.

6.11. Principal’s Report

- Full report is on the shared drive
- Topics covered: Open House, Breakfast Club Stars, Term 1 Report Cards, Virtual Parent-Teacher interviews, Remembrance Day, Mid-Year Exams, important upcoming events/dates and a thank you to Greg Piggins and Brenda Downes for donations that have gone to the Y Zone.

Q – Did we hear back from the board about the stuff that went missing?

A – No. Ms. Honeybourne asked if we could charge a damage fee or refuse the use of the school and was told no.

Greg and Brenda will bring it to the Parents Committee for further discussion.

6.11.1. Field Trips

GB 23-11-06 It was motioned by Greg Piggins and seconded by Alexander Navarrete to approve the New York field trip. The motion was carried unanimously.

	Event	Date	Grade	Cost	Transport	Ratio	Supervision	Responsible
								Staff Member
GB 23-11-06	Cultural Trip to New York	May 2-5	50 kids - Priority Grade 11 (10 if space permits)	\$1,364	Coach bus and boat	12:1	PCHS staff	Josie Arcobelli

GB 23-11-07 It was motioned by Angela Crosbie and seconded by Daniel Obiri to approve the Europe field trip. The motion was carried unanimously.

	Event	Date	Grade	Cost	Transport	Ratio	Supervision	Responsible
								Staff Member
GB 23-11-07	Cultural Trip to Italy	June 24 - July 1	24 students - Grade 10 and 11	\$4,059	Bus, Train, Plane and Boat	12:1	PCHS staff	Josie Arcobelli

Clarification that Grade 11 students are still covered by insurance for Italy trip in June (Ms. Honeybourne checked with Genevieve Dugre).

6.11.2. Rentals

There is blanket approval for rentals from September 2023 to June 2024
Since we have no right to refuse, there is no need to motion or vote

6.11.3. Fundraising

*It was motioned by Josie Arcobelli and seconded by Jackie Jansons to approve the following fundraisers.
The motion was carried unanimously.*

	Event	Date	Description of event	Cost	Person Responsible
GB 23-11-08	PC Players Fundraiser	Nov-April	Selling chocolate bars - each participant sells 2 boxes + ticket table and concession stand at the show	\$3	Lori Brown
GB 23-11-09	Flipgive	Nov-June	PC Players, families, and extended families only so as not to conflict with PPO	\$0	Lori Brown
GB 23-11-10	Europe trip fundraiser	Nov. 17 - June 2	Bagging groceries to help lower trip cost	\$0	Josie Arcobelli
GB-23-11-11	Europe trip fundraiser	Nov. 15 - April 28th	Selling homemade bake goods during lunch - coordinated not to conflict with other fundraisers	\$0	Josie Arcobelli
GB 23-11-12	NY Trip Fundraiser	Nov. 15 - April 28th	Selling homemade bake goods during lunch - coordinated not to conflict with other fundraisers	\$0	Josie Arcobelli

6.11.4. Service Contracts

No service contracts

6.12. Chairpersons Report

No report

7. New Business

7.1. GB Budget

Q – Did city pick up our tent?

A – No

Amount GB has is \$688 per Ms. Honeybourne

- Chris asked what we'd like to spend that money on
- Different suggestions brought forward (GB event, a new tent, funds for photocopying)

Tabled – Chris to check and verify what can/cannot be purchased with these funds

7.2. New Parent Teacher Interview night

- Scheduled on a strike day so must be moved
- Staff council has approved November 30th (virtually)

GB 23-11-13 *It was motioned by Brenda Downes and seconded by Greg Piggins to update the calendar to reflect this new date. The motion was carried unanimously.*

7.3. New VP Joining PCHS November 27th: Allan Senzilet-Fink

- Currently Assistant Director at PACC. Resource background.
- Very highly recommended. Excited to be back in youth sector.

7.4. CPRMV (Centre pour la Prévention de la Radicalisation Menant à la Violence). Coalition Contre la Haine - Pilot project

- PCHS has been asked to be part of pilot project
- Horizon also part of it
- Target grade 8 students – 1 period – free – lesson in January (pre-test and post-test for attitude shift)
- Creating environment of empowerment

8. Correspondence

8.1. Incoming

None

8.2. Outgoing

None

9. Varia

10. Questions from the Public

Chris Eustace raised 3 points:

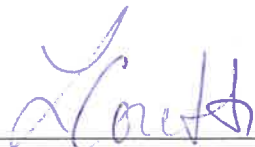
1. Back in his day, when there was a strike, teachers union executive wrote to government asking to consider impact on ministry exams.
2. Will be at PC meeting and will support our reps when they talk about missing items from summer and will also raise it at the council meeting (that there should be a policy to handle this)..
3. ABAV PCHS plan – is that a public document? A: Must be approved first and then goes on the website.

11. Adjournment

GB 23-11-14 *It was motioned by Angela Crosbie and seconded by Brenda Downes to adjourn the meeting at 7:58PM. The motion was carried unanimously.*



Chris Pearson
GB Chair 2023-2024



Lucia Coretti,
Principal, PCHS