

BEACON HILL GOVERNING BOARD
Tuesday, November 17, 2020, 7:00 p.m
Via Zoom

Agenda

Present: Gina Piccinici, Susan Hamblin Brayne, Jeremy Asch, David Newton, Ian Chuprun, Jasmine Lacombe, Marie France Cousineau, Sabrina Sciacia, Samantha Maclean, Nathalie Noiseux, Gareth Lim, Isabelle Belanger, Celena Scheede-Bergdahl, Catherine Fini (H&S) Marilyne Boyer (Commissioner)

1. Approval of the Agenda (David/Sabrina; unanimous)
2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes
 - a. October 7, 2020 (Ian/Gareth; unanimous)
3. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a. Letter to Parents on wearing masks (Ian/Marie France; approval: Gina, Jeremy, Ian, Nathalie, Marie France; against: Isabelle, Jasmine; abstain: Celena, Gareth, Samantha, David, Sabrina; carried)
4. New Business
 - a. Field Trip Approvals (none)
 - b. Fundraiser approvals (True Earth Fundraiser: David/Gareth; unanimous)
 - c. Budget Approval - School Operating Budget (Nathalie/Celena; unanimous)
 - d. Budget Approval - Daycare Budget (tabled until next meeting)
 - e. Land Acknowledgement (Celena/Gareth; unanimous)
 - f. Consultation on Amendment of School Calendar 2020-2021
 - g. Change to Date & Time of GB meetings (Ian/Samantha; unanimous)
5. Reports
 - a. Chairperson's Report (attached)
 - b. Principal's Report (attached)
 - c. Teachers Report (N/A)
 - d. Daycare and Lunch Program Coordinator Report (Replacement for Barb Adler: Gina Piccinici)
 - e. Region Parent Representative Report (attached)
 - f. SNAC Report (attached)
 - g. H&S Report (attached)
 - h. Commissioner's Report (attached)
6. Public Question Period (N/A)
7. Correspondence
8. Varia

9. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 8,

10. Adjournment (Ian, adjourned)

Beacon Hill Governing Board – November, 2020

Principal's report

Report cards 2020-2021

- Term one - end of term December 18th and going home January 15th,
- Term two going home June 23rd

Three added Ped days – Council of Commissioners discussed this at last week's meeting. The proposal, which is still in consultation:

- January 25th
- February 8th
- 3rd to be placed locally

If a new Ped day is on January 25th, we will be moving our existing January 22nd school level Ped day to later in the year (to avoid a four day weekend for the parents).

Open house – January 19th for all elementary schools. Videotaping November 19th.

Françisation

Beacon Hill will become a hub if schools do close down

- Emergency daycare
- Resource
- Tech

Holiday Baskets

**Beacon Hill Elementary School
Chairperson's Report for Governing Board
November 17, 2020**

Update on Council Elections:

As we are all aware, the Quebec government cancelled the November scheduled elections for English Language school boards. As a result, the Commissioners in wards where they were acclaimed have been officially sworn in to council and for those 3 wards and the position of chair, the former commissioners as well as the chair remain in place on the new council until such time that the new elections for those positions takes place. Following is a summary of the wards up for election and the candidates running in the wards as well as the position of Chair of the Council.

Candidates up for election are as follows:

Chair of Council	Judy Kelley & Chris Eustace
Ward 2	Ruben Fazio & Frank di Bello
Ward 3	Norm Gharibian & Patrick Whitham
Ward 4	Allison Saunders & Gary Spiller

Enacted Council Policies:

There is one consultation from the Board at this time with respect to the change in the school calendar. Also, several administrative items have also been received with respect to setting the date and time of the meetings of the Council of Commissions and the executive of the Board.

Covid-19 Update:

As a school board, from the last Parent committee meeting (November 5), we were informed that as of that date of the total number of active cases in schools on the Island of Montreal, approximately 20 of the 440 active cases were in LBPSB schools, which is a very small number, and a result of the excellent cooperation between the Board, Schools and parents. The Board announced today a significant investment in installing HEPA filters in schools throughout the LBPSB territory.

Marilyne Boyer – Ward 8 Report- Sherbrooke Academy Jr. & Sr., and Beacon Hill
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November 2020

Highlights of interest from Council, November 09, 2020

- The new acclaimed commissioners took their oath of office. The incumbent commissioners in Wards 2, 3 and 4 as well as the incumbent Chair will be sitting on Council until the election process is restarted.
- Administration Staffing: There were 2 appointments
 - Alana Quinn-Leroux be appointed Director of the Human Resources Department of the Lester B. Pearson School Board.
 - Darren Becker be appointed Director of the new merged Communication and Community Development Department
- Report Card: It was confirmed that as per the Government's requirements, there will only be two report cards for the 2020-2021 school year. One in January 2021 and one in July 2021. Each will be worth 50% of the overall grade.
- LBPSB Task Force on Equality and Inclusivity – The Task Force has created five subcommittees, each led by a non-LPBSB committee member: Race and Ethnicities; Religion; Sexualities; Abilities; and Genders. The Task Force is asking staff, students, parents and other LBPSB community member to share with them their stories both good and bad to get a better picture of the situation within the School Board. See the school board's website for more information: <https://boardsite.lbpsb.qc.ca/news/post/an-invitation-from-the-task-force-on-equality-and-inclusivity>
- Central Students Committee – the committee has created 3 subcommittees that will look at different aspects of student life: Community Service, Leadership and Social Media
- Special Needs Advisory Council (SNAC)
 - Angela Berryman, the previous parent commissioner of students with special needs, resigned as she is now the acclaimed commissioner for Ward 12. She will be replaced by Susana Lazaro
 - The November 25th, 2020 SNAC meeting will be replaced by a special Zoom presentation on Sexuality and Autism Spectrum Disorder given by Dr. Isabelle Henault. Up to 500 parents will be able to access this presentation. See the SNAC website for more information: <http://snac.lbpsb.qc.ca/>

- Parent's Committee – Discussed Covid challenges. Overall, the parents are satisfied with how the administration has been handling the crisis.
- Vice-Chair of the Council of Commissioners – Congratulations to Ms Judy Kelly who was appointed Vice-Chair of the Lester B. Pearson School Board Council of Commissioners.
- Executive Committee: The executive committee members were appointed as follows:
 - Commissioner Eric Bender as Chair;
 - Commissioner Craig Berger as Vice-Chair ;
 - Chair Noel Burke as a member;
 - Commissioner Angela Berryman;
 - Commissioner Marilyn Boyer;
 - Commissioner Frank di Bello;
 - Commissioner Judy Kelley;
 - Parent Commissioners Kristoffer de Forest and Susana Lazaro; and
 - Co-opted Commissioner Allison Saunders
- Other Council Committees – The members of the other Council Committees were also appointed, see the link below for the full list of committees and members: <https://boardsite.lbpsb.qc.ca/Modules/FileManagement/files/Root/Council/docs/Council-Membership-Chart-Nov20-V2.1.pdf>
- Renovation/Purchases resolutions of interest:

THAT the contract for the **installation of a ventilation system in the 4 basement classrooms at the Pearson Electrotechnology Centre** be awarded, in accordance with the tender documents, to the lowest compliant bidder, 9076-6759 Québec inc, doing business as Réfrigération Yvan Allison, for an amount of \$113 088, 70)

THAT the contract for the **purchase of 420 air purifiers with high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters** be entered into by mutual agreement between the Lester B. Pearson School Board and Novexco inc doing business as Hamster for \$518,600.54 (plus taxes)

Note: It was confirmed at Council that the number of purifiers to be purchased is sufficient to outfit all classrooms in the 16 naturally ventilated schools in the School

Boards. The remainder of the school are mechanically ventilated and will have their filters upgraded to MERV-13 filters (already ordered and of the grade recommended for situations such as the current one). This means that the ventilation in all the LBPSB schools will be upgraded in the coming weeks.

Other News:

- School Elections: Minister Roberge sent a communication to the School Boards on November 13, 2020 to advise that the School Election process will restart on November 21, 2020 with voting days being December 12, 2020 (vote par anticipation), and December 19 and 20, 2020 for the actual voting days. The extra day was added to allow for the social distancing requirements. If you have not yet registered as a voter, please do so (see the School Board's website for more information: <https://boardsite.lbpsb.qc.ca/#>). While you do not have to vote for your Ward Commissioner since the previously acclaimed commissioners remain in office, your vote is still needed to elect the Chair. More information will be available in the coming days.

GB meeting-Nov 17, 2020

Catherine Fini

H&S report:

-Fundraiser approval needed: TRU EARTH : ECO friendly laundry detergent strips and other eco-friendly products. It works just like our Loveable Labels. We have a weblink for our school and get 20% profits from anyone who shops using that link. Will launch as part of our spring fundraising campaign, or sooner.



Lester B Pearson School Board Parents' Committee

LBPSB Parents' Committee

November 5, 2020

Online Zoom Meeting

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

ATTENDEES: Representatives from 40 of 48 member schools and SNAC were in attendance. Thomas Rhymes, LBPSB Assistant Director General, and Joanne Malowany, Coordinator of Community Services, representing the LBPSB Administration, and the newly elected Commissioner Representing the Parents of Special Needs, Susana Lazaro, were also in attendance.

Communications:

- Open houses to be done virtually - see board and school websites for details
- Communications Subcommittee meeting scheduled for November 23

General Updates:

- Encouraged support and turnout for upcoming Regional Standing Subcommittee meeting scheduled to take place on November 19
- Meeting will be combined with board-wide Governing Board training and open to all GB Meeting
- School elections have been postponed
- Next Bill 40 movement and update expected around April
- **Resolution passed** as a response to Consultation on Centre Deeds of Establishment stating that the Parent Committee recommends that the next school and/or centre to be established, be named after a Montrealer from a minority and disenfranchised community.
- **Breakout Discussions - Covid-19**
 - Two main points discussed:
 - 1. What is going well at your school?
 - 2. What are our continued challenges?
 - Overall feedback indicated consensus that while challenged with resourcing issues, most schools are doing well - primarily positive feedback
 - Major and ongoing challenges across the board was the lack of consistency in protocols as well as inconsistent management of communication from schools.

Varia:

- SNAC
 - Presentation on Sexuality Education & Teens with ASD set for November 25th; Presentation to be done by Isabelle Henault (open to all).



Lester B Pearson School Board Parents' Committee

Attendance Report		
Member School	Parent Rep Present	Alternate Rep Present
Allion	Annette Banton	
Beacon Hill	Jeremy Asch	
Beaconsfield	Ovidiu Burlec	
Beechwood	Orley Pinchuck	Diandra Yoselevitz
Beurling Academy	Jay Taube	Charline Downer
Birchwood	Derek Kenny	
Children's World	Susan Mintzberg	Mark Calla
*Christmas Park	Lisa Mancini	
Clearpoint		
Dorset		
Dorval	Patricia Ottoni	
Edgewater	Sherry-Lee Dawson	Melissa Nolet
*Evergreen	Melinda Paradis	
Forest Hill Jr		
Forest Hill Sr	Tanja Minisini	Richard Thorpe
John Rennie	Namta Gupta	Shane Ross
Kingsdale	Greg Piggins	Adam Feldstain
Lakeside Academy		Helene Charbonneau
Lasalle Community Comprehensive	Sonya Fiocco	
Lasalle Jr		
LasalleSr	France Henry	
Lindsay Place	Eric Schultz	
MacDonald	Kristoffer de Forest	
Maple Grove	Ashley McLellan	Sarah Fortin
Margaret Manson	Anthony Morello	Mark Michel
*Mount Pleasant		
Pierre Elliott Trudeau	Wendy Eeet	
Pierrefonds Comprehensive	Marcus Hamaker	Greg Piggins
Riverview	Linda Dalterio	
Sherbrooke Academy Jr.	David Anthony Barbiero	Deniese Peirera
Sherbrooke Academy Sr.	Miki Zarwanitze	
*Soulange		
Springdale		Steven Brodeur
St. Anthony	Shane Ross	
St. Charles		Steven Orenbach
St. Edmund		
St. John Fisher Jr	Christina Corey	Nadia Lawland
St. John Fisher Sr	Sarah Campeau	Christina Forest
St. Patrick	Doug Bently	Michael Barron
St. Thomas	Sharad Bhargava	Adam Davies
Sunshine Academy	Leah Lobaton	
Terry Fox	Lillian Jasinski	Brenda Tremellen
Verdun	Alicia Mancini	Mike Pomerleau
Westpark	Alaina Gross	
Westwood Jr	Tanja Minisini	
*Westwood Sr	Tanja Minisini	
Wilder Penfield	Onnig Kouyoumdjian	
SNAC	Lisa Mancini	
CRPC Designated by SNAC	Suzanna Lazaro	N/A

Other distinguished attendees:
 Barbara Schnider (Minute R)
 Thomas Rhymes (Administration)

Chris Eustace (public)
 Joanne Malowany (Administration)
40/48 Member Schools + SNAC Represented