

BEACON HILL GOVERNING BOARD
Wednesday, April 21, 2021, 7:00 p.m
Via Zoom

Attendance: Susan Brayne, Celena Scheede-Bergdahl, Jeremy Asch, David Newton, Ian Chuprun, Isabelle Bélanger, Jasmine Lacombe, Marcia Ploplis, Gina Piccinini, Marie-France Cousineau, Nathalie Noiseaux, Samantha Maclean, Sabrina Sciascia, Gareth Lim

Jeremy Asch called the meeting to order at 7:05pm; no members of the public present

Agenda

1. Approval of the Agenda

(David Newton / Ian Chuprun, approved)

2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of March 30, 2021

Correction-change Ian Newton to David Newton
(Nathalie Noiseaux / Celena Scheede-Bergdahl, approved)

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

- a. Budget Adoption - Daycare budget
 - all staff salaries have been maintained during pandemic
 - Daycare enrollment is very low.
 - current deficit of \$233k
 - *Jeremy Asch*: Is the budget was taking into consideration COVID or as if aren't in pandemic? Do lunch program costs affect budget? *Gina Piccinini (GP)*: Deficit is primarily due to daycare staffing costs. The lunch program is largely unaffected.
 - Celena Scheede-Bergdahl*: Is there talk of whether government will help to offset costs? *GP*: At this point, there have been no discussions or news of this.
 - Gareth Lim*: Does the deficit impact next year? *GP*: It's unsure how this will affect next year, but it may lead to reductions in daycare staffing/costs.
- (Nathalie Noiseaux / Celena Scheede-Bergdahl, approved)

4. New Business

- a. Field Trip Approvals → None
 - b. Fundraiser approvals → None
 - c. Student code of Conduct (Jasmine Lacombe / Isabelle Bélanger, unanimously adopted)
 - d. ABAV Plan (Sabrina Sciascia/ David Newton, unanimously approved)
 - e. 2021-2022 School Calendar
 - Highlights: Aug 25th 2021, teachers back,
 - Aug 31st 2021, First day of school
 - Curriculum night first week, Sept 2nd, 2021
 - Picture day: Sept 21st, 2022
 - Interim report cards, October 8th, 2021
 - Term 1 ends Nov 4th, Report cards week later
 - Parent teacher interviews Nov 17th (night)/Nov 18th
 - Feb 18th, 2022, end of term 2, report cards out after March break
 - June 23rd, 2022, last day of school
- (Nathalie Noiseaux / Isabelle Bélanger, approved)

- f. Daycare Lunch fees
Gina Piccinini: Currently at \$2, but other schools in area are at \$2.50. Propose to increase to \$2.25 for next year to not over-burden families with a large change.
(Marie-France Cousineau / Celena Scheede-Bergdahl, approved)

5. Reports

- a. Chairperson's Report → None
- b. Principal's Report
 - 273 students for next year, 2 full classes at each level, but only 1 K4 class
 - Overall not near full capacity and a little less from current year.
 - Mme Linda Perron will be retiring at the end of the year
 - recently had first case of COVID-19 at Beacon Hill
 - families should wait a few days before they get tested- wait for letter from Santé Publique before they go for testing
 - Santé Publique will now be treating all future cases as a VOC
 - Media Smarts was hired to give presentations to all grade levels to teach students about online literacy and digital citizenship
 - Kind Kids by Epique for grade 1 – Wellness Initiative
 - Transition to high school parent workshop on May 6th (7pm) with Sharon Klar for Gr 6 classes
 - Pink shirt has been added to the Uniform Code
 - upcoming May bulletin will include text to inform parents about Governing Board
 - Foster Child Campaign starts Apr 22nd.
 - donations will be collected with kids putting their names on a leaf and sticking to the tree in lobby or dress-down day
 - Next week will be the Fun run bubble- for younger grades, might allow children within their bubbles to form groups so that they can complete 5km
- c. Teachers Report → None
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- d. Daycare and Lunch Program Coordinator Report
Gina Piccinini: May 1st -May 31st, 2021, Registration for Lunch and Daycare.
 - i. -will be done on Mozaik
 - ii. -K4 and kindergarten will have to do a paper registration
 - iii.
- e. Region Parent Representative Report - will be added to the kit
- f. SNAC Report → None
- g. H&S Report
 - no fundraisers at the moment
 - Jeremy Asche*: Asked regarding grad plans
 - Susan Hamblin Brayne*- Upcoming meeting with admins and teachers to discuss how to do something within current restrictions
 - With the VOCs, it will not be the same
 - meeting with grad committee next week
- h. Commissioner's Report
 - Jeremy Asche*: While this indirectly affects Beacon Hill School, LBPSB Council has approved funding to renovate and update facilities at Lindsay place
 - Celena Scheede-Bergdahl*: Governing Board at St Thomas was supposed to go to Lindsay Place to look at facilities. Library looks quite impressive. During the summer, the school will be painted to the St. Thomas colors

6. Public Question Period →None

7. Correspondence
 - a. LBPSB Council Meeting Highlights → in report
8. Varia → None
9. Date of Next Meeting (Wednesday May 19th, 2021)
10. Adjournment
 - motion: Ian Chuprun
 - Meeting ended at 7:55 pm

Beacon Hill Governing Board – April 21, 2021

Principal's report

Registration – Presently registered 273 students for next year. We will have two classes at each level except at K4.

Staffing – Mme Linda Perron will be retiring at the end of this year.

We had our first case of COVID-19 at Beacon Hill.

- Class was online for two weeks but have returned to school this week.
- In all future cases DRSP will be treating it as a variant case

Media Smarts gave virtual presentations to the students in Cycles 1, 2 and 3. The themes depended on the age of the students.

Grades 1 and 2:

- What they see in the media can be deceptive.
- The importance of written and unwritten rules when playing and learning together online and offline.
- Finding a healthy balance between physical, quiet time and media activities.

Grades 3 and 4

- What is real and what is fake online and steps to verify online information.
- Discussed the concept of empathy and looked at ways in which digital communication can make it harder to feel empathy for other people.

Grades 5 and 6

- Helped students to make safe and ethical decisions online and identify strategies and supports that are available to assist them with issues they may encounter online.
- Explore their legal rights online.

Wellness initiative using measure money – Kind Kids By Epique for grade1 students. Students will learn:

- Emotional awareness
- Self-regulation
- Skills in sharing and inclusive play
- How to manage frustration and anger
- How to say sorry and forgive

Transition To High School parent workshop on May 6th at 7pm given by Sharon Klar.

The anti-bullying Pink Shirt idea for next year was well received by staff.



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To ensure members of the Lester B. Pearson School Board community remain up to date regarding what transpires at regular Council of Commissioners meetings, the Department of Communications and Community Development sends out summaries of the different decisions that are taken following each meeting.

Please find a summary of the item that was approved during the April 19th special meeting:

- The Council of Commissioners of the Lester B. Pearson School Board unanimously approved a contract of \$6 484 525 (before taxes) to 3 Axes Construction Inc. for the Lindsay Place High School Project for science labs and locker room renovations as well as classroom optimization work. The awarding of the contract follows a favorable recommendation made on April 14th 2021 by the Facilities and Security Committee.