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# Bancroft Governing Board Meeting Agenda October 1st 2024; 6:30 PM ET In person

## Meeting Details:

Format + Location: in person

#### Members in attendance:

**Governing Board Parents:** Yannick Riopel (Chair, EMSB Parent Committee Delegate), Olivia Lecoufle (Vice Chair), Evita MacMillan (Secretary), Megan Jeannotte, Jonathan Culm.

**Bancroft Staff:** Myrianne Lusignan (Principal), Josie Sabelli (Teacher), Catherine Cyr (Teacher), Fernando Kucher (Teacher), Ian Mackenzie (Support Staff), Vanessa Krystal Giancioppi (Daycare), Rubens Ernest (Sun Youth representative).

# 1. Adoption of Today's Agenda

Motioned by Ms Josie, second by Olivia. All in favor.

### 2. <u>Election of Governing Board executive</u>

Mme Lusignan presented the roles of each member. Ms Josie nominated Yannick Riopel and Olivia Lecoufle nominated herself. Elections took place. Results:

Chairperson: Yannick Riopel

Vice - Chairperson: Olivia Lecoufle

Secretary: Evita MacMillan

Treasurer: Megan Jeannotte

#### 3. <u>Reports</u>

**3.1.** Principal's report

**3.1.1.** News from Ministry of Education:

Grants received early this year.

**3.1.2.** News from EMSB:

Upcoming Elections for Councilor of Commissioners. Voters will cast their ballots in November. Need to be registered to vote.

Completion of Zen Garden. Zen Garden is always open as an extension to the main courtyard during recess, as a relaxation area. Teachers are always present, supervising. Some teachers have been using it as a teaching space. Mr Luc has plans to enrich the garden with flowers.

Still looking into options to add more bike racks.

Benches purchased by school to be added to school yards.

Yannick mentioned parents' complaints over the decision of placing rocks in Zen Garden and lack of play-structures in school yards. Mme Lusignan and Mrs Jossie assured that the plan was executed as originally designed. Play structures had been voted down. The first week was a "learning process" for children. Teachers mention that with Zen Garden in place, children who wish for a calm area can go there to relax, and this also gives more space for running around the main courtyard for kids who like to remain active during recess.

**3.1.3.** Progress reports on October 15th.

Will be issued to all parents on October 15

**3.1.4.** Buses: Majority of students received bus passes. Some are still waiting due to late registration.

Mme Lusignan finished her report by thanking PPO for the special events that were planned for the children. (Water Games Day , Kindergarten Fun Day, Corn Roast Day)

Thanks were also given to all teachers on the first day of School for creating a fun and warm welcoming celebration with music, dancing and balloons for all students.

3.2. Teacher's report

Curriculum night was a success. 800\$ was raised by Grade 6 students through bake-sale.

Notes taken for next year in order to better facilitate parents who have more than one teacher to meet.

**3.3.** PPO's report - Nothing to report

# 4. New Business

**4.0.** Approval of Governing Board Assembly minutes: motioned by Mrs Josie, Seconded by Olivia. All in favor.

- **4.1.** Approval of June Governing Board meeting minutes: motioned by Mr Fernando, seconded by Mrs Josie. All in favor.
- **4.2.** Rules of internal management 2024-2025: Olivia adding point that all documents that need to be approved in a meeting, have to be sent in advance, for members to review. Rules of internal management will be added to approve at the next meeting.
- **4.3.** Bancroft GB Community Representative. Mr Rubens is our Sun Youth representative. Members to suggest other Community Representatives.
- **4.4.** PPO Projects for October/November nothing to approve
- 4.5. Field Trip approval nothing to approve

- 4.6. Bancroft Provisional Budget Update tabled for next meeting.
- **4.7.** Dates of Governing Board Meetings. Online polling to decide.
- 4.8. Daycare Ped days organization

Mrs Vanessa mentioned the increase in daycare fees for the year and then presented the activities planned:

<u>November 1st.</u> "Dia De Los Muertos" activities - in house. Cost 22\$ <u>November 21st.</u> Play it Fair (games incorporating positive values) cost 25\$ <u>November 22nd</u>. Animation Dinoversaire. Brining in 7 animals for the children to observe and interact with. Cost 28\$ February 17th. Animation Dinoversaire. Magic Potions. Cost 32\$

Motioned by Mrs Josie, second Mr Fernando. All in favor.

4.9. AC in classrooms discussion

Yannick presented an open question by a parent, not present, concerned about the conditions in classrooms during hot days. Question on whether there is budget allocated to AC - answer is no. The parent suggests fundraising for ACs, if no budget is allocated. Principal replies that before any fundraising begins, it needs to be investigated if installation of AC units is even feasible, as there are concerns that ACs could overload the power grid.

- 5. <u>Next Meeting:</u> Voting took place and members decided to have the next meeting online. Date to be determined after online polling.
- 6. <u>Adjournment</u> 8.45pm