

Bancroft Governing Board Meeting Minutes

October 22nd 2024; 6:30 PM ET ONLINE

Meeting Details:

Format + Location: ONLINE

Members in attendance: Yannick Riopel (Chair, EMSB Parent Committee Delegate), Veronica Reis, Olivia Lecoufle (Vice Chair, EMSB Parent Committee Alternate), Jonathan Culm, Evita Macmillan (Secretary), Megan Jeannotte (Treasurer), Myrienne Lusignan (Principal), Josie Sabelli (Teacher), Catherine Cyr (Teacher), Fernando Kucher (Teacher), Ian Mackenzie (Support Staff), Vanessa Krystal Giancioppi (Daycare), Christina DeSousa (Teacher)

Agenda:

6:30 PM ET: Welcome and Good News

- ❖ GB meeting directives - Presentation

6:35 PM ET: Adoption of Today's Agenda

Motioned by Evita, seconded by Veronica. All in favor.

6:37 PM ET: Adoption of October 1st Meeting Minutes

Small correction made by Veronica. Motioned by Evita, seconded by Veronica. All in favor.

6:40 PM ET: Business Arising from the Minutes

- ❖ Rules of internal management 2024-2025 for approval: Motioned by Mrs Christina, second Jonathan. Approved by all.
- ❖ Update on field trips and activities approved by email: nothing to approve
- ❖ School façade – they came to access the pressure wash. The work in the front is now considered completed.
- ❖ Dates of future Governing Board Meetings
 - November - No Meeting
 - Tuesday December 3rd 2024
 - Tuesday January 21st 2025
 - Tuesday February 18th 2025 (?) to be discussed closer to date
 - Tuesday March 25th 2025
 - Tuesday April 22nd 2025
 - Tuesday May 13th 2025
 - Tuesday June 3rd 2025

Motioned by Ian, second Evita. All in favor.

❖ Air Conditioning in the school - Mme Lusignan mentioned that when we were faced with the heat wave, the staff-room was open for children to hang out and cool off.. The 1st floor is cooler and classes from the second floor were moved to use classrooms on the first floor as Music and Art room have AC. The daycare room was also open to be used by students as it was cooler.

Mrs Josie said that the power grid will not handle ACs in each classroom, and that the structural issue is common in older buildings. Also noted that all classrooms have fans. Parents insisting on EMSB to look into solutions for ACs to be installed.

❖ School yard improvement - Yannick is posing the question on what parents and school staff think of the current status of our school yards. Teachers appear pleased. Suggestions are being made by parents and discussed for the front and North side yard. Yannick is mentioning Plateau initiative, where grants can be given if the yards remains open to the public. Staff and some parents mention concerns with having doors open when school isn't open. It has been noticed that school has been more clean and safe ever since the decision was made for doors to remain closed.

Adding plants water will "warm up" the space and make it even more inviting. Kids have been observed sitting around the circular benches socialising and drawing. Olivia mentions the idea of kids working on planting seeds and taking care of the plants as a project.

The yards are also to be repainted next spring - they will be brighter, more fun looking and overall more appealing.

❖ Provisional Budget - Budget was presented by Mme Lusignan

Motioned by Ian, Vanessa second. All in agreement.

7:25 PM ET: May Reports

❖ Chairperson Report -parents committee 4 new parent commissioners compared from last year.

❖ Principal's Report: News from ministry of education. The Ministry created a 2 hour video program on how to support against bullying. Training applicable in every staff member. Every staff member, GB parents and PPO member need to complete training and receive certification. We will be receiving a link. Training to be completed by November 29th

News regarding elections. Parents need to take an active part in voting.

Regarding lice, children don't have to go home. School nurse has strict directives they have to follow.

School news progress reports and parent-teacher meeting november 21st

NOV 26, 27, 28 MDT meeting (Multidisciplinary team)

Regarding the school buses, all routes have been adjusted.

Everyone is looking forward to the Halloween party.

Starting rattrapage, for tutorial sessions (money needs to be used by November)

Clubs offered for kids, they can do during recess.

November 29th - looking for parents to volunteer for Open house.

Reminder all parent volunteers need to fill up a police check form.

- ❖ Teachers Report
- ❖ GB Treasury - nothing to report
- ❖ Commissioner Reports - we don't have a commissioner yet
- ❖ EMSB Parents Committee Report -
- ❖ PPO Update - School is almost ready for the party. Needing volunteers.

Budget - 6000 left. Always aiming to spend it all by the end of the year. Less students this year so probably we will be raising less

- ❖ Social media committee report - no updates yet.

Olivia explains the purpose of the committee for the new GB members.

8:08 PM ET: New Business

- ❖ PPO Items - Veronica asked to have blanket motion for 1000\$ - motioned by Olivia, second Fernando. All in favor.

PPO asking for approval for SENIOR DANCE - Evening fundraiser grade 4-5-6 gym and part of cafeteria. Event for seniors to be organised before holidays or valentines day. Details still need to be discussed. To be voted on a later date.

- ❖ Daycare/PED Day Activities:

Feb 28 - Bancroft learns about helping others. Partnering with Mile End Mission. Coming in for a presentation. Create donations and care packages. The rest of the day, organised activities working on cooperation and helping people. Total cost 23CAD for the ped day.

March 21st - UNIVERSE OF PLAY. Sharron created a program that teaches kids to learn through play. Total cost for the day 25\$. Motioned by Evita, second Mr Fernando. All in favor.

- ❖ School Field Trips:

Nov. 8th Grade 5 field trip.

Nov. 28th - Grade 3&4 field trip.

Motioned by Mr Fernando, second Mr Ian. All in favor.

- ❖ Nov 21st - MIND highschool kids will offer babysitting services in the evening during parent-teacher meetings. They will charge between 5-10 dollars. The money collected will be used for a future trip. Motioned by Evita, second Mrs Vanessa. All in favor.

❖ Teacher initiative for grade 6: bring in used toys, crafts, books, BAZAAR - FUNDRAISER. Each item will be sold for 5\$. Motioned by Olivia, second Mme Catherine. All in favor.

- ❖ Communication with Parents (GB to parents, school to parents) - tabled for next meeting.

8:20 PM ET: Public Question Period

8:25 PM ET: ❖ Olivia, it would be good to have the demographic of the school. Tabled for next meeting.

8:28 PM ET: Recap Action Items and Next Meeting Date/Time

❖ Proposed date and time for the next meeting: Next meeting Tuesday December 3rd 2024.

❖ Next meeting to be Online or In-Person - Vote

8:30 PM ET: Meeting Adjourned