

Minutes

Honoré Mercier Governing Board

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 | Meeting called to order by Mark Saracino
VIRTUAL GB Meeting due to COVID-19 and in accordance with government guidelines

In Attendance

Mark Saracino	Tony Campione	Verena Garofalo	Robert Panetta	Lisa Ida
Jennifer Uniat	Ms. Marotta	Nancy Cantini	Arianna Holowka	Ms. Christina Voggas
Ms. Daniela Buttino	Mr. Andrew Martinez	Mme Annie Cadieux	Ms. Graniero	Mario Pietrangelo
Merika Ramundo	Aileen Montesclaros	Stefania Iannantuoni	Mr. Peter Tsatoumas	Lisa Saracino
Nancy Rebelo	Catia Z			

Welcome

Mark Saracino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and thanks all parents and teachers for their participation on the GB.

Meeting Agenda & Meeting Minute Approval

- The agenda was approved by Veronica Graniero and seconded by Verena Garofalo.
- The minutes of the October 5, 2021 meeting will be circulated and approved at the next GM meeting in December.

Principal's Report

Mario Pietrangelo announced that there will be a pilot after-school program organized by Laurier MacDonald students:

- Secondary 3-5 students will mentor students in grades 5-6 – focus on sports

Educational Project Report

- As we are in a pandemic year, the report is quite light and is the same for all EMSB schools
 - ❖ **MOTION** to approve the report called by Robert Panetta and seconded by Lisa Ida

Italian PELO classes

- Due to the ongoing pandemic and to ensure student safety, proposal to postpone Italian PELO classes until next school year
 - ❖ **MOTION** to approve the postponement called by Robert Panetta and seconded by Mme Annie

Rapid testing in schools

- A detailed PPT was sent to the HM community
- Training has been provided to the HM volunteers

School registration

- Online registration will be available as of January 24, 2022

Vice Principal's Report

Open house

- The Virtual Open House was held on November 15
- HM receive positive feedback
- The video is currently available on social media, as well as the EMSB website
- About 60 people attended the LIVE virtual tour
- HM will host a second open house in January, hopefully during the day

Field trips

- Jan 14, 2022 – Cirque de Verdun – Gr 111 & 112
- Jan 28, 2022 – Cirque de Verdun – Gr 121 & 122
- Feb 22, 2022 – Park Nature de la Pointe-aux-Prairies Sports d'hiver– Gr 313
- Feb 23, 2022 – Park Nature de la Pointe-aux-Prairies Sports d'hiver – Gr 311 & 312
- May 31, 2022 – Intermiel – Gr 111, 112, 121 & 122
 - ❖ **MOTION** to approve the field trips called by Peter Tsatoumas and seconded by Tony Campione

Teachers' Update

- Mme Annie
 - Grade 3 - Exploring options for field trip and starting the oral presentations
 - Kindergarten just finished their Halloween activities and are focusing on the days of the week and the months
 - Grade 5 is working on their bread project/recording and their honey will soon be ready for sale
 - Grade 6 is focusing on Remembrance Day
- Ms. Veronica
 - Cycles 1 and 3 have finished recording for the CBC Challenge and the deadline to submit is November 23
 - Winners will be announced in December
- Mr. Stephania
 - Discussed yoga and pet therapy for the SEEDS students
 - Holiday activities will include baking and arts & crafts
- Mr. Peter and Mr. Andrew
 - Next Level Hocket program was well received by the HM community
 - Lunch activities with grades 5 and 6 – many students are participating in the volleyball activity
 - Grade 6 Ski Week
 - The usual activity/location is cancelled due to COVID-19 and replaced by Bout en Train winter camp
 - This camp provides many different activities for the students
 - OPTION 1: 1 day activity with dinner included (February 24)
 - OPTION 2: 4 days/3 nights activity (February 21-24)
 - The prices will vary, and transportation will have to be sourced and secured
 - ❖ **MOTION** to approve the both options called by Robert Panetta and seconded by Lisa Ida

Daycare Update

- Montreal Childrens' Hospital Fundraiser will take place every Monday for the 3 weeks in December
 - Email will be sent to HM community the week of November 22 with information
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Central Parents Committee Update

- CPC will donate money and flowers to the family of the child (Jannai Dopwell-Bailey) who was murdered at Coronation School.
- Motion passed regarding having multiple formats (twice) to form a Governing board, some schools are having problems getting parents to join for various reasons (unaware), this rule will need to be changed by the Commissioners.
- High-School Vaccination/Mask Mandate removal.
 - CPC asking what the vaccination rate is per high school, EMSB will check.
- Rules about conduct
- Next CPC meeting is scheduled for December 2

Home & School Update

- To date, H&S has 61 members
- Halloween:
 - Sponsored the pumpkin decorating competition and scavenger hunt
- Book Fair:
 - Will be on November 17 for the students only
 - Parents are encouraged to shop online until November 24
- Cookie Dough fundraiser has been successful to date
- H&M is looking into options for this years' Pancake Breakfast

Graduation Committee

- ❖ **MOTION** to approve the Grade 6 raffle, tickets will be on sale until December 6, called by Verena Garofalo and seconded by Robert Panetta.

Treasurer's Update

- No update

Next Meeting Date(s)

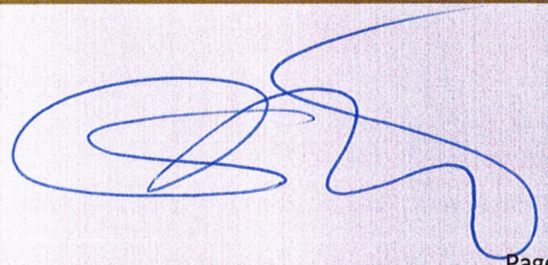
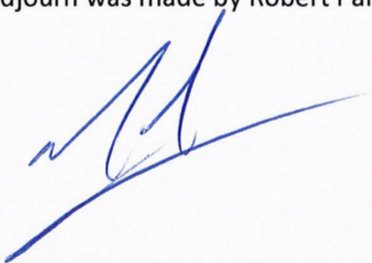
- Tuesday, December 14, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. (in-person at HM)

Varia

- Children are encouraged to take a breath break during gym class when they need one
 - They also go outside when possible for gym and Health class
- Idea of a monthly calendar that lists the upcoming school activities (e.g. fundraisers, special dress down days etc.) so that parents and guardians can plan ahead
 - The idea will be discussed with staff
- Suggestion of holding a jean day to raise funds for a special cause

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Robert Panneta, seconded by Lisa Ida.



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Governing Board Approval

Following the Governing Board meeting on October 5, 2021, we received one (1) motion to approve:

1. **Sent via email to all GB members on October 30, 2021: H&S Cookie Dough Fundraiser**
 - Approval for the H&S Cookie Dough Fundraiser passed unanimously on November 3, 2021.

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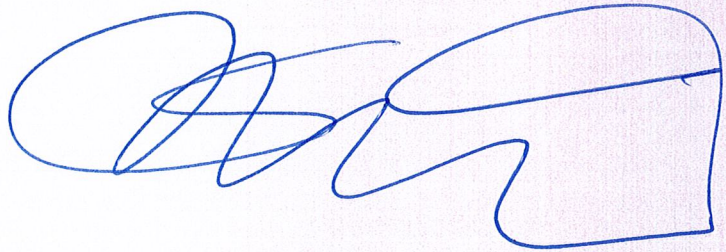
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November 24, 2021 | *Email Approval*

Governing Board Approval

Following the Governing Board meeting on November 16, 2021, we received one (1) motion to approve:

1. **Sent via email to all GB members on November 23, 2021: St-Brendan's Fundraiser**
 - Approval passed unanimously on November 24, 2021

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