

# St. John Fisher Junior Elementary

## Governing Board Minutes 2024-03-04 7:02pm

### Online Via Zoom

Type of meeting: **Governing Board – Regular 2023-24 #5**

#### **Distribution:**

**Parent Members:** Tom Fullerton, Kellie George-Bernard, Stephanie Lapierre, Nadia Lawand, Lynne Fornarolo

**Parent Substitutes:** Samantha Yim, Stephanie Pino, Sandra Kalil, Meg Buckland, Shaun-Simon Langlois, Yasmin D'Souza

**Staff:** Michèle Larin, Martine Létourneau, Stephanie Dessureault, Christine Saad, Sandi Hammock

**Ex-Officio:** Eve-Marie Durand, Allison Saunders, Amanda Barnes

**Community Rep:** Daphne Philips

**Regrets:** Stephanie Pino, Meg Buckland, Shaun-Simon Langlois, Yasmin D'Souza, Allison Saunders, Amanda Barnes

#### **5.1** Land Acknowledgment

*N. Lawand read aloud the land acknowledgment.*

#### **5.2** Call to Order & Welcome

*N. Lawand called the meeting to order at 7:02pm, with quorum.*

#### **5.3** Adoption of the Agenda

*T. Fullerton made a motion to approve the agenda for the 2024-03-04 meeting, the motion was seconded by M. Larin.*

#### **5.4** Adoption of the 02-07-2024 minutes

*T. Fullerton made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 7th meeting, with corrections, M. Létourneau seconded the motion.*

#### **5.5** Questions from Public

#### **5.6.** Business Arising

##### **5.6.1** Scholastic Fundraiser

*C. Saad made a motion to ratify the past approval of the scholastic book fair, M. Larin seconded the motion.*

#### **5.7** New Business

### 5.7.1 Consultations

*N. Lawand*

- *By law 1 & 1E*
  - *K. George-Bernard made a motion to approve, the motion was seconded by M. Létourneau*
- *Governing Board Composition*
  - *M. Létourneau made a motion to approve that GB has nothing more to add here, T. Fullerton seconded the motion.*

### 5.7.2 School Calendar

*E. Durand presented the school calendar and distribution of ped days.*

*M. Létourneau made a motion to approve the school calendar, the motion was seconded by C. Saad. Unanimously approved.*

### 5.7.3 Subject Time Allocation

*E. Durand presented the subject time allocation.*

*L. Fornarolo made a motion to approve the subject time allocation, the motion was seconded by K. George-Bernard.*

### 5.7.4 K4 & K5 Supply Lists

*E. Durand presented the supply lists for K4 and K5.*

*S. Yim mentioned possibly including pictures on the lists. E. Durand mentioned the teachers are discussing showing the supplies at the orientation.*

*S. Lapierre mentioned a hefty cost of writing tools on the K5 list.*

*T. Fullerton mentioned possibly considering using bulk items to avoid parents having to buy 8 glue sticks (for example), from a cost and environmental concern.*

*K. George-Bernard mentioned looking for an alternative option to using so many plastic bags.*

*S. Hammock made a motion to approve the K4 and K5 lists, the motion was seconded by M. Létourneau.*

### 5.7.5 Field Trips

*E. Durand presented the upcoming field trips.*

All Grades Bois-de Liesse (GUEPE) April 10th or 11th school covers part 18.00\$/student

All Grades Skating Bob Birnie April 23rd COVERED BY SCHOOL

All Grades Junior Cross Country May 7th COVERED BY SCHOOL

K4 and K5 Montreal Science Centre May 8th school covers part \$6.75/student

Grade 1 Centre Sciences Montréal June 12th paid by parents only: 41\$

*S. Lapierre made a motion to approve the upcoming field trips, the motion was approved by C. Saad. Unanimously approved.*

#### **5.7.6** Education Act Changes

*E. Durand presented a change in the education act. For governing board meetings that occur online, someone from the governing board must be at the school to welcome people from the community if needed. The person present at the school can be anyone from the governing board.*

*T. Fullerton mentioned GB already voted to give the public access to all virtual meetings.*

*L. Fornarolo voiced concern for the person in school during the meeting being alone at the school and mentioned accompanying that person if needed.*

*S. Yim mentioned adding the zoom link to the meeting in the monthly newsletter.*

*C. Saad mentioned when we discussed putting it on the website GB but didn't want people hacking into the meeting.*

#### **5.8** Reports

##### **5.8.1** Parents' Committee

*No report attached*

##### **5.8.2** Home & School

*Cookies are still missing. No report attached*

##### **5.8.3** Daycare

*Report Attached*

##### **5.8.4** Council of Commissioners

*No report attached*

##### **5.8.5** Teachers Committee

*Report attached*

##### **5.8.6** Principal's

*Report attached*

**5.9 Questions from Public**

**5.10 Correspondence**

*L. Fornarolo made a remark in relation to the incident at a school in St Lazare about signing rights away to our children's work. There was concern if this is something that will be revamped in the future.*

**5.11 Adjournment:** Next meeting May 1st, 2024

*L. Fornarolo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm.*