

# John Rennie High School Governing Board Minutes of Meeting 2020-2021 #1 October 13, 2020 Meeting Held on Zoom

Parent Reps:

N. Gupta, W. Kogan, S. Lazaro, J Leblanc, S. Ross, A. Sanchez,

K. Santaguida, M. Wilson

Administrator:

C. Prata

Staff Reps:

E. Breck, M. Fuga, K. Gardner, R. Lobaton, M. Natcheva, S. Pelletier,

S. Simeone, R. Taylor

Student Rep:

A. McColgan, J. Taylor

Community Rep:

Absent

Commissioner:

Absent

Public:

M. Besner, D. Bensimon

Secretary:

S. Day

Regrets:

M. Natcheva

### 1. Call to Order (ACK of Quorum) and Welcome

- The Chairperson, W. Kogan called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm
- A sample of topics that will be discussed/approved at upcoming governing board meetings are as follows:
  - Student Life
  - Field Trips
  - Fundraisers
  - Rentals
- Draft minutes will be posted to the JRHS webpage; the minutes will be approved at the next governing board meeting

# 2. Adoption of Agenda

20-21-1: The agenda was approved unanimously via a motion moved by E. Breck & seconded by N. Gupta

# 3. Approval of Minutes

• There were no minutes to approve

# 4. Business Arising

• No business arising was mentioned

### 5. New Business

### 5.1 Election of Chair

20-21-2: The election of W. Kogan as the Governing Board Chair for the 2020-2021 school year was approved unanimously via a motion moved by S. Ross & seconded by J. Leblanc

# 5.2 Governing Board Rules & Guidelines

• The Governing Board Rules & Guidelines were reviewed in detail

# 5.3 Anti-Bullying/Anti-Violence Policy Review

- There have been no changes made to the Anti-Bullying/Anti-Violence Plan
- The JRHS Code of Conduct is accessible on the school website

20-21-3:The JRHS Anti-Bullying/Anti-Violence Plan was approved unanimously via a motion moved by M. Wilson & seconded by S. Pelletier

# 6 Public Question Period

- The school board has recommended that if the public has questions they will have to email them directly to the Governing Board Chair; these questions will then be presented at the next governing board meeting
- A question was asked regarding student evaluations; C. Prata sent out an email to the JRHS community regarding this topic
- S. Lazaro (parent rep) will be stepping down from her position on governing board
- At the October governing board meeting, a vote will take place to elect a parent rep to replace S. Lazaro
- D. Bensimon came forth to apply for the substitute position on governing board
- W. Kogan will communicate with the other two substitute parent reps to advise them that there is a permanent position available on governing board
- 20-21-4: The appointment of D. Bensimon as a Substitute Parent Rep on governing board was approved unanimously via a motion moved by S. Ross & seconded by W. Kogan

# 7 Reports

### 7.1 Commissioner

The Commissioner was absent from the meeting therefore no report was given

### 7.2 Principal

- Blanket approval for surrounding areas, such as park or grocery stores
- Approval for a new partner Equestrian Inc, 2630 Cote St. Charles, St. Lazare (Sport Etudes)
- Discussion & approval of charging for grad gown rental for graduation pictures & purchasing the caps & tassels
- Interim reports are on hold until we have a clearer picture of what the Ministry is asking for
- Virtual Parent-Teacher interviews are to be held before November 22nd
- We will be looking at ways to limit the amount of interviews required
- Police presence around the school to ensure that students are wearing their masks & at Pointe Claire Shopping Center; tickets \$500, may be given
- We strongly discourage Cycle 2 students from going to the shops
- Cafeteria opening has been delayed
- We have had one bubble burst in Sec 5; entire class stayed home for 2 weeks & received virtual learning
- Virtual Leadership trip will be taking place on November 1, 2 & 3
- 20-21-5: The blanket approval for surrounding areas, such as the park & grocery stores was approved unanimously via a motion moved by K. Gardner & seconded by S. Pelletier
- 20-21-6: The addition of Equestre CMG Equestrian as a new Sport Etudes partner was approved unanimously via a motion moved by M. Wilson & seconded by K. Gardner
- 20-21-7: The charging for grad gown rental, for graduation pictures & purchasing the caps & tasselss was approved unanimously via a motion moved by K, Gardner & seconded by S. Pelletier

### 7.3 Students

- Home room banners are being worked on
- Creative writing contest maybe taking place; more information to come on this initiative

# 7.4 Teachers

No report was submitted

### 7.5 Students Services

• So many unanswered questions; more information to come at the October meeting

# 7.6 Parent Rep

Please refer to the link below for the Parent Rep report
 AGA Parent Summary Report

# 7.7 PPO

No report was submitted

# 7.8 Home & School

No report was submitted

# 7.9 SNAC Update

 Please refer to the links below for the SNAC September report as well as the SNAC Annual report

SNAC September 2020 Report
SNAC Annual Report

# 8. Correspondence

No correspondence was received

# 9. Varia

- Please refer to the dates listed below for the JRHS governing board meetings: these dates will be posted on the JRHS website
  - November 10
  - December 8
  - February 9
  - March 16
  - April 13
  - May 11
  - June 8
- It was suggested to ask Elizabeth Tosi to be the JRHS Community Representative

# 10 Adjournment

20-21-8: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:00 pm & was passed unanimously; the next governing board meeting is scheduled for November 10 2020 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Sue Day, Executive Assistant, High School Sector

Approved	40 Mar 10
, ,	C. Prata, Principal
Approved	
, ,	W. Kogan, Governing Board Chair