

JOHN RENNIE HIGH SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD Minutes of Meeting 2020-2021 #3 December 8, 2020 Meeting Held on Zoom

Parent Reps:

D. Bensimon, N. Gupta, W. Kogan, J Leblanc, A.

Sanchez.

K. Santaguida, M. Wilson

Administrator:

C. Prata

Staff Reps:

E. Breck, M. Fuga, K. Gardner, S. Pelletier, M.

Natcheva, R. Taylor

Student Rep:

A. McColgan, J. Taylor

Community Rep:

Absent

Commissioner:

Absent

Public:

M. Besner, S. Lazaro

Secretary:

S. Day

Regrets:

R. Lobaton, S. Ross, S. Simeone

1. Call to Order

• The Chairperson, W. Kogan called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm

2. Approval of Agenda

20–21–13: The agenda was approved unanimously via a motion moved by M. Natcheva $\tt \&$ seconded by J. Leblanc

3. Approval of Minutes From November 10, 2020

20-21-14 The minutes from the November 10th meeting were approved unanimously via a motion moved by S. Pelletier & seconded by A. Sanchez

4. Business Arising

4.1 Traffic Update

- Big thank you to A. Sanchez for running with this initiative
- A. Sanchez reached out to the Pointe Claire City Councillor, he did admit that the traffic situation at JRHS was indeed a major problem
- The City Councillor has since wrote to the City & they have acknowledged his

email

- The City has responded that they have already put more presence around the school
- As a governing board, we have to strongly encourage our students to use the crosswalk; the Pointe Claire Arena can also be used for pickup/drop offs
- As a refresher to both parents as well as students, please refer to the information below:

Info & Procedures for a Safe Drop-Off/ Pick-Up Zone

- St-John's entrance (front of school) is for staff & special needs transportation ONLY (with the exception of pick-ups/drop-offs during the school day due to student appointments, etc.)
- Back parking lot is only accessible to parents prior to 8:00 am & after 4:00 pm
- The Drop-off/Pick-Up Zone is accessible via Douglas Shand from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; please follow in a single-file loop to allow traffic to flow smoothly in one direction
- After school, all cars in the Drop-Off/Pick-Up loop must remain parked in formation until all students have entered the vehicles
- By 3:40pm, cars can depart in single-file

5. New Business

5.1 Ped Day Calendar

- The new ped day calendar (link below) was presented
 2020-2021 Calendar (3 additional ped days were added)
- An ERMS message will be sent out to all parents advising them of the changes that were made
- The new calendar will be posted on the JRHS website
 20-21-15 The new Ped Day Calendar was approved unanimously via a motion moved by K. Gardner & seconded by M. Fuga

6. Public Question Period

No questions were asked

7. Reports

7.1. Commissioner

- No report was submitted
- Elections have been postponed

7.2. Principal

 Service Contract for K. Gardner for Francisation was approved; this initiative will be managed online this year, which in the end works out to be much easier for our students

7.3. Student Services

- 2019-2020 JRHS grad stats are as follows:
 - 83% are currently attending an English Cegep
 - 148 students are attending John Abbott
 - 25 student are attending Dawson
 - 30 students are attending Vanier
 - 8 students are attending Marianopolis
- Unfortunately we have no stats on the remaining grads however we do know that some are attending night school & some are attending Place Cartier
- On January 18, 20 & 22 Cegep visits will be taking place live online
- 11 presentations, 1 per group will be taking place
- There was a CEGEP information session in November for parents by JRHS guidance counsellors, went extremely well with over 100 attendees

7.4. Teachers

No report was submitted

7.5. Students

- Many Christmas activities are taking place; Holiday Spirit is the main focus
- In class exams are taking place this week as well as next week

7.6. Parent Representative

LBPSB Covid Update

- Christmas "cancelled" early release/delayed return dates to remain
- HEPA Filter systems being installed
- Internal Rules Review: Changes complete; main adjustments were to language concerning racism/bias
- Budget for 2020-21 Approved
- Any expenses incurred for PC parents to attend meetings within boundaries of the internal rules should be sent to PC Treasurer for approval (Westpark pr@lbpearson.ca)

Environmental Subcommittee - Resolution Passed - LBPSB Parents'

- Committee to ask the LBPSB to determine its carbon footprint by March 31, 2021 (or suggest an alternative timeline if the proposed timeline is problematic), & come up with a 5 year plan to reduce its GHG emissions by May 30, 2021, with the goal of going to net-zero carbon emissions by 2050
 EPCA
- EPCA requested that the PC distribute a survey for English parents regarding school closings on Dec 17 & 18; survey ended Sunday, Dec. 6
 Breakout Discussion - Covid-19 & Anxiety
- Two questions were discussed:
 - 1 How has the Covid-19 situation affected your mental health & the mental health of your children & immediate family members?
 - 2 What types of initiatives has your school implemented in the face of these rising mental health challenges?

LBPSB Task Force on Equity & Inclusivity

- Addressing racism cases & equity matters within board
- Collecting stories from parents & students (more info on Board's website)
- Final report including actionable recommendations on findings to be submitted to the LBPSB on June 30th, 2021

7.7. PPO

No report was submitted

7.8. Home & School

- No report was submitted
- Please refer to the list below for Home & School Fundraisers (all online)
 - True Earth Laundry Detergent
 - Socks \$5 a pair money goes back to school: all purchases are done online, cases of socks are located in the Leadership Room
 - Cafe Gourmet Coffee & Hot Chocolate 50% goes back to the school
 - Flipgive Gift Cards percentage of gift card purchase goes back to the school
 - Fundscrip Gift Cards percentage of gift card purchase goes back to the school
- 20-21-16 All of the above fundraisers were approved unanimously via a motion moved by M. Natcheva & seconded by N. Gupta

7.9. SNAC Update

- No report was submitted
- On November 25th a zoom presentation was given by Dr. Isabelle Henault on Sexuality Education & Teens With Autism Spectrum Disorder

8. Correspondence

No correspondence was received

9 Adjournment

20-21-17: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:36 pm & was passed unanimously; the next governing board meeting is scheduled for Feb 9 2020 2020 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Sue Day, Executive Assistant, High School Sector
Approved Approved
C. Prata, Principal
Approved
W. Kogan, Governing Board Chair