



**JOHN RENNIE HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
Minutes of Meeting 2021-2022 #8
May 31, 2022
Meeting Held on Zoom & In Person**

Parent Reps:	D. Bensimon, C. Chabot, S. Golding-Mullings, N. Gupta, S. Hassanien, J-A. Leblanc, S. Ross, E. Schultz (alternate)
Staff Reps:	M. Fuga, K. Gardner, R. Lobaton, K. Pellegrino, S. Pelletier, A. Sayfy, S. Sievers, K. Vatne
Administration:	E-M Durand, J. Kurta, M. Larocque, S. Newton,
Student Rep:	A. Heron, N. Lakatosh
Community Rep:	M. Venturino
Commissioner:	A. Saunders
Public:	No Public was present
Secretary:	S. Day
Regrets:	K. Santaguida

1. Call to Order/Verification of Quorum/Territorial Land Acknowledgement

- D. Bensimon called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm
- Territorial land acknowledgement was recited

2. Approval of the agenda

21-22-43: The agenda was approved unanimously, via a motion moved by S. Pelletier & seconded by A. Sayfy.

3. Approval of the Minutes from April 26 & May 3 2022

21-22-44: The minutes from April 26 as well as May 3 2022 were both approved unanimously, via a motion moved by J-A Leblanc & seconded by K. Gardner.

4. Question Period

- No questions were asked

5 Business Arising

5.1 Publication of "Did You Know" About Governing Boards on Website

- Please refer to the link below

[Did You Know - #4](#)

6 Consultations

- No consultations were mentioned

7 New Business

7.1 Calendar

- The 2022-2023 calendar was reviewed in detail

[JRHS 2022-2023 Calendar with days Option B.pdf](#)

Following some discussion, the JRHS Academic Calendar was not approved with 8 opposed, 6 in favor & 1 abstention. A revised calendar will be presented at the next meeting.

7.2 School Fees

- Tabled to next meeting

7.3 Rennie Wear

The school administration proposed the implementation of a common school top to increase security in the building and a discussion ensued. The item was tabled until the next meeting.

7.4 Home & School Tables at Curriculum Night for 2022-2023 School Year

- Home & School is asking to have a table at the Open House as well as at Curriculum Night; this would be a great way to be visible at both events
- Active members could be visible; this would be a great way to recruit new members
- Home & School can also have items for sale at both events; parents could also preorder

21-22-45: The request from Home & School to have a table at Curriculum Night as well as the Open House was approved unanimously, via a motion moved by S. Pelletier & seconded by S. Ross

7.5 New Partners

21-22-46: The signing of a "protocole d'entente" with the Fédération de Patinage de Vitesse du Québec & CRCE-Montreal were both approved unanimously, via a motion moved by J-A Leblanc & seconded by S. Sievers

8 Fundraisers

- No fundraisers were mentioned

9 Field Trips

9.1 Balanced Day Outing - Grade 7-9

- Taking place on June 22
- Visiting the Canadian Museum of History (located in Gatineau Quebec)
- 10 students will be participating
- No cost to parents

21-22-47: The Balanced Day Outing to the Canadian Museum of History was approved unanimously, via a motion moved by S. Sievers & seconded by N. Gupta

10 Activities

- No activities were mentioned

11 Reports

11.1 Principal

Staffing

- We picked up the 3 CFER teachers & 1 Resource teacher through the excess placement & 1 teacher in the first round of transfers

Drills

- We have completed our lockdown exercise & all of our fire drills for the year

Tree Planting

- On May 10 we held a tree planting in the front of the school in memory of Lucas Gaudet with his family, friends & teachers in attendance

New Teacher Mentoring Luncheon

- Ms. Brabant held a luncheon for our new teachers to debrief about the year

Report Cards

- Will be available through the Mozaik portal on June 29

Examinations

- Exams have officially started. The last regular day of school will be the carnival day on June 9th

Love Program

- We are wrapping up the program and hope to continue it next year

Play & Concerts

- The Cycle one play "A Game of Tiaras" & the Cycle 1 & Senior Jazz & Concert bands were all performed in recent days

Bees

- The new bees are arriving this week

Award Ceremonies

- After a 2 year break our awards ceremonies for juniors & seniors are back; the Home & School Chair was on site to distribute their awards

Incident May 26

- Some Instagram posts caused a lockdown last week; the police investigation is complete

11.2 Staff

Leadership Department

- Leadership Camp was a huge success; 107 students participated in the weekend & had a blast
- We are working on our end of year carnival on the last day of classes, & of course Prom which will take place on June 26
- Last but not least, we planted a tree in Lucas Gaudet's memory; a plaque was placed by the tree, Lucas' family was also in attendance

Grade 11

- English & French exams have begun; the rest of the school will begin exams June 10
- Staff & students have been busy reviewing & preparing for them
- Tutorials will be held for cycle 2 exams

- In June, the PIC committee will be hosting a guest speaker; the Presentation is about wellness & is open to all teachers

11.3 Students

The Actor's Studio Play

- Ten Things I Hate About You was performed by Actors Studio at the beginning of May; it was incredibly well-received

Junior Play

- The cycle 1 play went smoothly & was a fun experience for both students & parents
- This has been a great outlet for young students who discovered a new passion in acting

Grad Activities

- Prom & convocation are coming up
- Grads are preparing & buying tickets, excited for this new chapter in their lives

Carnival Day

- Everyone is very excited to see what carnival day has in store for us next week!

Actor's Studio Auditions

- Graded 8-10 have been invited to audition for the actors studio program for the coming year
- Due to the events of last Thursday they were pushed to this Monday but went very well

Yearbooks

- Yearbooks are ready to be distributed this Thursday, students are thrilled!

Leadership Camp

- Camp was an incredible experience bringing many students together & creating an incredible bond between all grades

Hayden Garden

- Green team has worked incredibly hard to make the garden a lovely place to be

Tree Planting

- The tree planting in honor of Lucas Gaudet was well received & appreciated
- A form of closure for students who knew & didn't know him alike

11.4 Region 3 Representative

- Focus is on Bill 96 & all supporting efforts
- Looking to help parents understand Bill 96
- Mask update was discussed; students have every right to wear a mask if they so wish

11.5 Commissioner

- Plz refer to the link below for the May Commissioners report
[Commissioners Report - May 2022](#)
- Admin staffing updates are available on the LBPSB website
- The new LBPSB website is bilingual & much easier to navigate
- Pearson News has been reinvigorated
- Congratulations to the 2022 grads, well done!

12 Correspondence

- No correspondence was received

13 Varia

- No varia was mentioned

14 Date of Next Meeting - Tuesday June 14 or 28 (6:15 via Zoom & in Person?)

- The next governing board meeting will be taking place in person on June 14, beginning at 7:00 pm

15 Adjournment

21-22-48 A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:19 pm & was passed unanimously; the next governing board meeting date will be taking place on Tuesday June 14, 2022 beginning at 7:00 pm

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

Approved _____
J. Kurta, Principal

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D. Bensimon, Governing Board Chair