

2025-2026 Carlyle Elementary School GOVERNING BOARD Meeting Minutes

Thursday April 23rd, 2026 (5:00 p.m.)

Virtual Meeting

109 Carlyle Avenue, TMR, Qc. H3R 1S8

Attendance

Beaubrun, Daphnée	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Present</i>	Kalogerakos,Eleni	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Present</i>
Beaulieu, Katherine	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Present</i>	Kennedy, David,	<i>Non-teaching staff</i>	<i>Present</i>
Benvenuto, Mario	<i>Vice-principal</i>	<i>Present</i>	Kilian, Paula	<i>School Commissioner</i>	<i>Present</i>
Diacoumacos, Ioanna	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Present</i>	Mardakis, Gianna	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Present</i>
Faruq, Milky	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Present</i>	McGuire, Tara	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Present</i>
Galanopoulos, Daphne	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Present</i>	Pasteris, Alessandra	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Present</i>
Gervasi, Priscilla	<i>Daycare Staff</i>	<i>Present</i>	Vourdousis, Dina	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Present</i>
Grullon, Maria	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Present</i>	Frishling, Daniel	<i>Parent (alternate)</i>	<i>Regrets</i>

Welcome

D. Vourdousis welcomes everyone and begins meeting.

1. Adoption of Agenda

IT WAS MOVED BY D. KENNEDY, SECONDED BY P. GERVASI AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED.

2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Meeting of February 25, 2026

IT WAS MOVED BY D. KENNEDY, SECONDED BY M. GRULLON AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 2026 MEETING BE ADOPTED.

3. Public question period

No questions

4. Business Arising from the minutes of February 25, 2026

No business arising from the minutes of the meeting of February 25.

5. New Business

5.1 Merenda Hot Lunch Provider

IT WAS MOVED BY E. KALOGERAKOS SECONDED BY I. DIACOUMACOS AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT MERENDA WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE HOT LUNCH PROVIDER FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR.

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5.2 2026-2027 Academic Calendar

IT WAS MOVED BY A. PASTERIS SECONDED BY D. GALANOPOULOS AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO APPROVE THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR.

5.3 Lunch Supervision Fees

IT WAS MOVED BY T. MCGUIRE SECONDED BY P. GERVASI AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT \$325.00 LUNCH SUPERVISION FEES BE APPROVED FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR.

5.4 Support to Parents Budget

IT WAS MOVED BY D. KENNEDY SECONDED BY M. GRULLON AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT THE SUPPORT TO PARENTS BUDGET BE USED FOR THE HIRING OF ONE TUTOR BE APPROVED.

6. REPORTS

6.1 Principal Report

- March 12 -Tennis Quebec presented to PreK – grade 6 the importance of sports and a balanced diet as a key element of high performance. Teachers were presented with facts about nutrition and had a separate information session to discuss the role of nutrition in Tennis performance
- March 24 – BMX Freestyle Olympian Jefferey Whaley (Paris 2024) gave a presentation to grades 3-6 and was very inspirational
- March 26- IB Exhibition – Sweet Planet of mine- saving the Earth 3 R’s Reduce, Reuse & Recycle- very successful
- March 30- The Media Club along with Michael Cohen and Dan Laxer held a Podcast with 2 Authors from TMR- Ms. Poisson – historical fiction novel about the French Revolution & Mrs. Mamagat- Autism – a children’s book entitled “Sometimes and Always” – excellent questions posed – soon to be posted on our website
- April 1- grade 4 HPV vaccination- successful thanks to our volunteers
- April 2- Michael Cohen and Inspirations Hosted Autism Appreciation Day at Carlyle with our esteemed Chairman Commissioner Joe Ortona and commissioner Ms. Paula Killian with guest speaker Steve Atme- Autism activist & musician, the launching of Mrs. Mamagat’s book and Lauren Hill student, autism activist -Panagiotis Argiropoulos shared his story about transitioning from COVID days to Parkdale after being diagnosed with Autism- if his schedule works he is invited to speak at graduation about his transition to high school.
- April 8 – Samara O’Gorman presented a poetry session school wide then held a workshop for poetry in Mrs. Mamagat’s class- Inspiration was felt by all
- April 9 & 10 – Universe of Play- Sharon Scimeca used Improv to demonstrate scenarios – hands on learning – good citizenship and responsibility grades 4-6
- April 10- grade 5 & 6 QC- fun time had by all
- April 10- grade 4 got a visit by firemen – speaking about hazardous waste- very informative

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- April 14- Lauren Hill Jazz band played for us school -wide
- April 17- grade 5s visited Michaelangelo for their IB Exhibition- our 3rd year in this collaborative event
- April 22 – Earth Day with Steve Ojeda- a tantalizing sensory Aboriginal Experience – exemplary performance celebrating Earth Day
- April 22- Music on TV- grade 6 Exhibition song- interview presented on City Tv and CTV- Earth Day song
- April 24- grade 5's visiting JFK high school for Amazing Race- a scavenger hunt activity to prepare for high school
- Teacher workshops:
 - March 11- Physical Education Tech Tools- 1 teacher
 - March 17- New to Pre school- 1 teacher
 - March 24- Digital Manipulatives in Math Cycle 2-1 teacher
 - March 26 – Literacy Project- 1 teacher
 - April 8 – TIF- Spring Training-2 teachers
 - April 14- The Special Needs Network for Anglophone Professionals
 - April 21 – Mentor training- 1 teacher

M. Benvenuto thanked D. Vourdousis for her report.

6.2 Teacher Report

- Unit of Inquiry #4 ended on March 20, and IB stars assembly was held
- Students have currently been working on Unit of Inquiry #5
- Grade 6 students presented their IB Exhibition presentation on March 26
- We hosted guest speakers and had an interesting assembly on Autism awareness day
- On April 8, Grade 1 students went to the Planetarium to complement their IB Unit on the Solar System
- On April 14, LHA band performed for the Carlyle students and staff

M. Benvenuto thanked I. Diacoumacos for her report.

6.3 Daycare Report

- Students are enjoying sports ball
- As of Monday May 4, students will be going to the Graham retirement residence to work on art activities with the seniors (grades 3-6)

M. Benvenuto thanked P. Gervasi for her report.

6.4 PPO

Nothing to report.

6.5 RPCR

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6.6 Ace Foundation

Nothing to report.

6.7 Commissioner

- March Council of Commissioners meeting was cancelled
- April meeting was held on Tuesday April 21 – modified budget for the remainder of the year was presented

M. Benvenuto thanked P. Kilian for her report.

6.8 Community

Nothing to report.

7. Varia

8. Public Question Period

No questions.

9. Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS PUT FORTH BY I. DIACOUMACOS AND SECONDED BY P. GERVASI AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by I. Diacoumacos, Recording Secretary
Carlyle Elementary School, 2025-2026 Governing Board*

Maria Grullon, Governing Board Chairperson

Dina Vourdousis, *Principal*

Date: _____

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