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CEDARCREST SCHOOL
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
June 3rd, 2026

Attendees - Members: Maria Argyriou, Raymond Ayas, Lorraine Bélanger, Crystal Brennan, Julie Buckland, Otis Delaney, Marylène Favreau, Jessica Sabatini, Khadija Shabbir, Georgia Stamatopoulos, Stephanie Vezina-Tulli

Absentees – Members: Claudie Laplante, Jennifer Marsan

Public in Attendance: None

1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

The meeting was held in person. The meeting started at 6:45pm.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- Treasurer motion

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to adopt today's Agenda was put forth by Julie Buckland, seconded by Lorraine Bélanger and carried by members in attendance.

4. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING DATE

Minutes were approved

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the April 15, 2026 Meeting Minutes was put forth by Georgia Stamatopoulos, seconded by Lorraine Bélanger and carried by members in attendance.

6. BUSINESS ISSUES

a. Treasurer

The motion for treasurer was reviewed and voted on via e-mail by all board members and on June 4th it was approved by the board

Motion to approve Maria Argyriou as treasurer was put forth by Khadija Shab, seconded by Raymond Ayas and carried by members in attendance.

b. Soccer

The board spoke with Rocco Placentino about returning to two sessions of soccer and how to best manage the older students waiting for their session. Some suggestions were to have the older students work as assistance during the first session or have their session extended to two hours to include more exercise and strategy development. The board would like any issues to be reported to the administration immediately in order to address then in a timely manner.

Motion to approve the soccer after school program was put forth by Georgia Stamatopoulos, seconded by Marylène Favreau and carried by members in attendance.

c. Gym Investigation

The board was given an update on the situation now that public health has become involved.

Public health believes that disturbances of the ceiling are the cause of the asbestos contamination. The EMSB is reviewing the best way to seal off the ceiling. The options are; remove the asbestos properly, cover the asbestos in sealant, or install a netting below the ceiling.

There is also a plan to decontaminate the vent system and gym then restart the system with follow up testing done 8-12 months later. However, the board agrees that since there is no official threshold establish for acceptable exposure of asbestos in children that no exposure is acceptable.

Regarding, the sick building syndrome; public health is in the process of trying to eliminate possible causes and is starting with mold due to past water damage. The EMSB has expressed concerns about the cost of this process.

Stephanie noted a positive experience with public health now being involved. She also noted that in the collaborative meetings two members of public health are present to advocate for the students.

d. Social Media

This was discussed at the last Home and School meeting; no parent felt comfortable managing the school's social media due to the number of consent and privacy issues. Administration will bring this to the staff in the fall and see if another staff member would be willing to take it over for the 2026-2027 school year.

e. Subject Time Allocation

The board reviewed that 30 minutes of gym will be reassigned to dramatic arts for cycle 1 and science for cycle 2 in the 2026-2027 school year.

f. School Budget

The projected Fund 3 is based on enrolment of 248 students for the 2026-2027 school year however, this is subject to change. Student fees remain stable from the 2025-2026 school year.

g. Supply Lists

Cycle 2 and 3 supply lists were reviewed.

Motion to approve cycle 2 and 3 school supply lists for 2026-2027 school year was put forth by Georgia Stamatopoulos, seconded by Khadija Shabbir and carried by members in attendance.

h. Uniform Supplier

Moni Uniform is closing leaving Cedarcrest without an official uniform supplier. Until the time the board selects a new uniform supplier, the school will not have an official uniform supplier.

i. Playground Update

The EMSB and the Dream Big Foundation met and discussed a timeline for the project. During the 2026-2027 school year a committee, comprised of parents and students, will form and consult on the project. Installation is now projected for summer 2027.

j. Year-End Reports

The board reviewed the annual report and the financial report for the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion to approve the annual and financial reports for the 2025-2026 school year was put forth by Julie Buckland, seconded by Lorraine Bélanger and carried by members in attendance.

7. REPORTS

a. Principal's Report: Mr. Delaney

- Mr. Delaney thanked all of the staff and board members for their time and commitment during his time at Cedarcrest
- Presented the ABAV End of Year Report

Motion to approve the ABAV End of Year Report for the 2025-2026 school year was put forth by Georgia Stamatopoulos, seconded by Marylène Favreau and carried by members in attendance.

b. Teacher's Report: NAME

- Field Day is planned for Jun 12th
- The grade 5 students when to Ottawa on June 4th and will be attending the Harry Potter exhibit on June 15th

- Granby Zoo came into the grade 1 / 2 and grade 2 class

c. Commissioner's Report

- No report.

d. EMSB Parents Committee Report: NAME

- Review and update on Bill 8

e. Daycare Report: Georgia Stamatopoulos

- Ms. Catherine is retiring

f. Home & School Report: Crystal Brennan

- A spring clear up of the yard was held, was very successful, and expressed the desire to hold this event annually
- $10 000 of Home and School funds have been set aside for the play structure project
- A junior dance will be held, off sight, at Cheer Mouvement, thanks a generous donation by a Cedarcrest parent
- The year-end carnival is booked and planned for June 19th

8. QUESTION PERIOD

- There was some discussion on how the school plans on managing the heat projected for Field Day.

9. Next meeting

- Date of next meeting: to be determined at the AGA in September 2026

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Minutes By: Jessica Sabatini

Signature: Chair, Jessica Sabatini