



ÉCOLE GARDENVIEW SCHOOL

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Governing Board

Thursday, April 16, 2026 7:00pm (TEAMS)

Called to order @ 7:05pm

1. Attendance

Parent Representatives

- Ashley Kushneryk
- Sharone Callender
- Alaa Zaini
- Ilan Dahan
- Jessica Black
- Diane Biard-Goble
- Jacqueline Matuszewski
- Peter Gazetas
- Michael Stoller
- Maja Falvo (alternate)
- Clotilde Fascine (alternate)

Teaching Staff Representatives

- Marianne Botelho
- Olga Ntokolas
- Ernestina Oppong
- Sophie Predan-Chauvin
- Lorraine Black
- Adamantia Menexis
- Sharon MacPherson

Daycare Representative

- Anna Commodari

Support Staff

- Rona Lapidus

Home & School Representative

- Jessica Black

Commissioner

- James Kromida

Principal

- Elena Zervas

Vice-Principal

- Laura Fundaro

2. Adoption of Agenda (Revised)

Motion to adopt: Diane Biard-Goble

Seconded by: Clotilde Fascine

3. Approval of minutes of March 19, 2026

Motion to approve: Peter Gazetas

Seconded by: Alaa Zaini

4. Business arising from previous minutes – NIL

5. Correspondence – NIL

6. Public Question Period – NIL

7. New Business

7.1. School calendar 2026-2027 – **For Approval**

A draft of the school calendar was shared with the governing board members.

- The first day of class is September 1, 2026
- The last day of class is June 23, 2027
- Proposed last day of class for grade 6 – day of graduation (students can be at school on June 23rd but will not be obligated).

The calendar includes:

- 6 movable ped days, including one in October on election day (provincial)
- 2 snow days
- 2 EMSB mandated ped days
- 1 day in November for the completion of the school success plan

Motion to approve: Peter Gazetas

Seconded by: Diane Biard-Goble

Passed unanimously

7.2. School field trip Grade 5 – **For Approval**

A field trip to Mount Royal is planned for April 28th with Les amis de la montagne.

Cost to parents: \$31 (bus+activity)

Motion to approve: Michael Stoller

Seconded by: Peter Gazetas

Passed unanimously

7.3. Hot lunch provider for 2026-2027 academic year – **For Approval**

Request approval to continue using Merenda as the hot lunch provider for 2026-2027.

The price per meal will increase by \$0.15 cents. Gardenview is benefitting from a grandfather clause. Other schools will see an increase of \$0.50

Larger portion (grades 4-6) will be provided at no extra cost.

Motion to approve: Peter Gazetas

Seconded by: Diane Biard-Goble

Passed unanimously

7.4. Last day of school for grade 6 – **For Approval**

June 22, 2026 – day of their grad

Motion to approve: Alaa Zaini

Seconded by: Peter Gazetas

Passed unanimously

7.5. City Grant – **For Approval**

Peter Gazetas will forward the information to the administration.

Peter Gazetas proposed an environmental grant of \$500 from the city that would go to the school. Given to schools that demonstrate some initiative (ex. Eco Club). Paperwork to be completed by the school to receive the funds will be shared with the Ms. Zervas and Ms. Fundaro.

Motion to approve: Michael Stoller

Seconded by: Clotilde Fascine

Passed unanimously

8. Reports

8.1. Principal

Ms Sarah-Rose organized a career fair. Parents came in to discuss different careers to present to the students. 10 parents came in.

School book fair took place today.

Top Marks – launching a new website. Transition will be straightforward. Existing accounts

will be transferred. New passwords to be created.

School fees – planning has begun. Will be presented next week. Does GB prefer that the school purchase the grade one notebooks as they have for the last couple of years?

Jessica will look into the cost if ordered with the school supplies purchase fundraiser. If the same price or better, the school can purchase there.

Motion to approve: Diane Biard-Goble

Seconded by: Peter Gazetas

Passed unanimously

8.2. Vice-Principal

Student storytelling took place at Willingdon Elementary this week. Gardenview had two finalists who participated and made us proud.

Robocup competition – Our students achieved fantastic results with “Smarties group” winning first place. We are proud of all of our teams.

April Schools campaign (Montreal Children’s Hospital) has raised \$2,548 so far on our campaign page. Every student has received a little fish to colour and add to the aquarium.

A workshop will be held virtually on April 23rd on cybersecurity and has been communicated in the newsletter. A reminder will be sent to parents.

8.3. Teachers - NIL

8.4. Chairperson – NIL

8.5. Treasurer

The account balance is \$1,065 (\$815 rollover + \$250).

It is customary for the governing board to give awards to grade 6 students at graduation.

8.6. Parents Committee Report (Delegate)

Ashley shared a couple of documents with upcoming events by email.

8.7. Home and School Liaison

The French book fair took place today. The unofficial number for sales is just under \$10,000. A table was created to consolidate lower cost books. Books were given away, ensuring that nobody left without a book. Extra change was kept on hand to top up where children were missing small amounts.

Registration for ECAs closed yesterday - the minimum was met for all. As a pilot, this session

included an ECA just for Kindergarten students.

Planning for the end of year event is underway.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 22nd @ 7pm at the school.

8.8. BASE report

The upcoming ped day on April 24th – gardening activity approved by electronic vote.

Still registering students for next year via Mosaik. Over 300 registered (includes sporadic).

8.9. Commissioner – N/A

The commissioner was not present.

9. Varia - NIL

10. Next Meeting: May 21, 2026 @ 7pm(TEAMS)

11. Adjournment @ 7:55pm

Motion to adjourn: Peter Gazetas

Seconded by: Diane Biard-Goble