



ÉCOLE GARDENVIEW SCHOOL

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GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES - 2026-03-19- _VIRTUAL (TEAMS)

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM by Ashley Kushneryk

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 the Agenda

Moved: Michael Stoller

Seconder: Diane Biard-Goble

3. Approval of minutes of February 12, 2026

Minutes approved with correction to typo "both sides".

Motion to approve the February 12, 2026 minutes: Michael Stoller
Seconded by: Adamantia Menexis

Abstentions (absences and did not receive the minutes):

- Sharone C
- Diane
- Tina
- Sharon M
- Lorraine
- Olga

4. Business arising from previous minutes of February 12, 2026.

No business arising.

5. Correspondence

No correspondence

6. Public Question Period

No questions from the public.

7. New Business

7.1. 2026-2027 Subject Time Allocation - For Approval

Staff Council proposed that the CCQ course be taught in French in all cycles.

Teachers and parents exchanged thoughts, opinions and asked questions.

Motion to accept that the language of instruction for the 30 minutes of CCQ be French for all cycles for the 2026-2027 academic year: Adamatia Menexis

Seconded by Jacqueline Matuszewski.

Motion passed with:

Yay: 13

Nay: 4

Abstention: Ms. Zervas and Ms. Fundaro

7.2. Letter to the city regarding Nantel Street - For Approval

The chair has a call scheduled with the commissioner for the following week.

The situation on Nantel Street was discussed, and the letter will be tabled.

Actions to be taken:

- Ms. Zervas will research how many families are impacted.
- The situation will be surveyed for issues and/or complaints.
- A reminder to parents will be included in the next newsletter.

7.3. School Fundraiser - For Approval

The school community will participate in the 'Children Helping Children' – Montreal Children's Hospital Fundraiser

Students and families will be encouraged to donate \$5 (all amounts welcomed). Donations can be made online. Tax receipts will be issued for donations \$15 and more (online only).

Motion to approve: Marianne Botelho

Seconded by: Sharone Callender.

Motion passed unanimously.

7.4. Field trip - For Approval

The following field trips were presented to the Governing Board for approval:

Ecomuseum - Grade 3 - March 30 & 31, 2026

Cost to parents: \$25.00 (partially funded by Sorties milieu culturel)

Motion to approve: Peter Gazetas

Seconded by: Michael Stoller

Motions passed unanimously.

8. Reports

8.1. Principal

- The school experienced a tragic loss. We are thankful to the EMSB support services
- Building Blocks tutorials to prepare grade 6 students for government exams in math. The school contributes \$2000. Parents are asked to pay

\$40 for 2 x 1.5 hours tutorials after school.

Motion to approve: Jacqueline Matuszewski

Seconded by: Jessica Black

Motion passed with:

Yay:16

Non vote: 1

- The K4 parents' tea will be held on March 23rd.
- Virtual workshop on setting limits will be held on March 26th for parents at no cost to parents (subsidized by the school). This is the second of a three-part series. Attendance at the first workshop was 8-10 parents.

8.2. Vice-Principal

- NIL

8.3. Teachers

- Thank you to the community for the staff & teacher appreciation week.

8.4. Chairperson -

- Received inquiries about the grade 2 field trip that was missed due to the snow day. The school is in the process of rebooking.

8.5. Parents Committee Report(Delegate)

- Parents governance event occurred. The attendance was low. The next one will occur on April 15th (online).
- Upcoming workshop on cybersecurity.

8.6. Home and School Liaison

- Staff and teacher appreciation went well.
- A sugar shack event will be hosted for all grades.
- The French book fair will take place on April 16th.
- The current ECA session is wrapping up. The dates for the next session are to be confirmed. GHSA is working with an external company for the first time this year and it is going well.

- Next GHSA meeting will take place on March 25th.

8.7. BASE Report

- Daycare registration, completed through Mozaik, has begun for next year.

8.8. Commissioner - NA

9. Varia - NIL

10. Date of Next meeting: April 16, 2026 at 7:00pm (if necessary), virtually

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:03pm: Ashley Kushneryk

Seconded by Diane Biard-Goble.

The motion passed unanimously.