



## ÉCOLE GARDENVIEW SCHOOL

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### GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES-NOVEMBER 13, 2025 (IN-PERSON/TEAMS)

Meeting called to order at 7:14 PM by Ashley Kushneryk

#### 1. Attendance

##### **Parent Representatives**

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

##### **Teaching Staff Representatives**

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

##### **Daycare Representative**

Anna Commodari

##### **Support Staff**

Rona Lapidus

##### **Home & School Representative**

Jessica Black (absent)

##### **Commissioner**

James Kromida (absent)

##### **Principal**

Elena Zervas

##### **Vice-Principal**

Laura Fundaro

#### 2. Adoption of the Agenda

**Motion to adopt the Agenda: Ilan**  
**Seconded by: Sharon MacPherson**

#### 3. Approval of minutes of October 23, 2025

**Motion to approve the minutes: Michael Stoller**

**Seconded by: Diane Biard Goble**

#### 4. Business arising from previous minutes of October 23, 2025

We have now received 100% of the Fund 5 Operating and Caretaking Budget. The School Operating and Caretaking budgets were reduced by 10% not 20%.

- 5. Public Question Period: No questions were brought forward to the Governing Board**
- 6. Approval of the Food Drive, organized by GREAT Committee and Mme Guila and Ms. Fogel -**

Motion to Approve: Diane Biard Goble  
Seconded by : Ilan Dahan  
All approved, No abstentions

### **School Trips Approval:**

#### **Science Centre Outing - Grade 4- February 13, 2026**

Cost to parents: \$8.00 (partially funded by Sorties milieu culturel)  
Motion to Approve: Sharon MacPherson  
Seconded by: Ilan Dahan  
All approved, No abstentions

#### **Bois de Liesse - Grade 2 - February 25, 2026**

Cost to parents: \$38.00  
Motion to approve: Rona Lapidus  
Seconded by: Sharone Callender  
All approved, No abstentions

### **Day Care Handbook for approval:**

Ms. Anna presented the fee breakdown for full day, AM only, PM only and sporadic.  
Request to include emergency evacuation protocol for BASE in the school code of conduct. Would like for a small explanation on emergency evacuation protocol

**Motion to Approve the BASE handbook with the addition of communication procedure in case of emergency: Diane Biard Goble**  
**Seconded by: Ilan Dahan**  
**All approved, No abstentions**

## **7. Principal's Report**

- Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place in person on November 27, from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM.
- Week of Nov. 15, teachers will email parents a link to schedule an appointment time.
- The teaching staff is currently reviewing the Educational Project Action Plan, examining the strategies we have in place, and assessing which ones to maintain, improve, or modify.
- Our Open House will be held on December 5th with two sessions: the first at 9:30 a.m. and the second at 1:30 p.m. Parents are asked to reserve their preferred time online.
- The Holiday Gift Campaign, in collaboration with Batshaw Youth and Family Centres, is now underway. This year, families and staff who wish to participate will receive a wish list from a child to sponsor, selecting a toy or other item valued at up to \$50.

- As of next week all staff, volunteers, and third-party contractual partners will be required to comply with the EMSB Code of Ethics. As part of this process, they must watch a short video capsule and sign an acknowledgement form indicating they have received and read the EMSB Code of Ethics.

## **7.2. Vice-Principal's Report**

Nothing to report

## **7.3. Teachers' Report**

Nothing to report

## **7.4. Chairperson**

Nothing to report

## **7.5. Parents' Committee Report**

CPC Report:

- Summary sheet sent by Ashley to the members of the GB.
- EPCA - Resources for teachers and parents; also have a platform regarding fundraising

## **7.6. Home and School Liaison**

### **7.7. BASE report**

Ms. Anna has thanked the families for the warm welcome in her new position.

### **November 27 Ped Day Outing for BASE students**

Zig Zag Zoo - Indoor playground in Vaudreuil

Require 3 buses - One bus will be paid for by BASE - \$33 for the outing - \$16 Ped day  
\$49 charge to parents

**Motion to approve the activity - Michael Stoller**

**Seconded by Diane Biard Goble**

**All approved, No abstentions**

## **7.8. Commissioner**

Nothing to report.

### **Questions about salting the yard**

The school is not responsible for maintaining the city sidewalks. The yard cannot be salted or sanded in its entirety because it would add additional costs to the existing snow-removal contract.

Some parents have expressed willingness to volunteer to salt or sand the yard during extreme conditions. However, they were informed that this would be a difficult task, as frequent melt-and-freeze cycles during the winter make the process ineffective.

**Question about traffic on Stevens**

The situation has improved. However, it may become more challenging in the winter because of the newly extended sidewalk.

Ashley will ask parents at the CPC meeting how their schools handle ice management in their yards.

**8. Date of Next meeting: December 11,2025 (if needed). If a meeting is not needed in December, then the next meeting will take place on January 15, 2026**

**9. Adjournment 7:55 PM**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting: Rona Lapidus**

**Seconded by: Diane Biard Goble**