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Governing Board Minutes – December 18, 2023 7:00 p.m. in-person meeting at LBPHS

PRESENT:

Administration: Joseph Vitantonio, Grace Fanelli

<u>Parents:</u> Sandra Greco (Chairperson), Tina Rubino, Daniela Marino, Patricia Suriano, Jocelyne Cacciatore, Jack Algieri, Annelisa Rende, Sabrina Ficca (secretary).

Parent Alternates: Giovanni Ficara, Dario Falso

<u>Teachers:</u> Paul Karpontinis, Gabriel Latino, Catherine Clarabut, Antoinette Licursi, Sara Di Maulo, Angela Antonacci

Non-Teaching Staff: Charles Préfontaine, Casey Gagné,

Students: Liana Gioia, Liana Wallace

ABSENT: Assunta Caruso, Cristina Di Sorbo

1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgment

- Sandra Greco welcomes everyone at the start of the meeting at 7:08 pm;
- Liana Gioia and Liana Wallace read the Land Acknowledgment.

2. Adoption of Agenda

a) Adoption of the Agenda

Motion was moved to adopt tonight's agenda by Daniela Marino; seconded by Antoinette Licursi. All
in favor.

b) Adoption of the Governing Board minutes from November 27, 2023

Motion was moved to adopt the minutes by Antoinette Licursi; seconded by Gabriel Latino. All in favor.

3. Reports

3.1 Principal

1. Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Plan:

- a. This is a new plan template created by the board and is now referred to as the Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Plan.
- b. It highlights the strategies in place to target bullying and help students feel safe at school.
- c. A team of staff worked with Ms. Di Sorbo to take our older plan and work it into our new template to reflect the goals and strategies for a safe school environment.

Motion was moved to adopt the Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Plan by Jocelynn Cacciatore; seconded by Gabriel Latino. All in favor.

2. Subject Selection:

- a. The subjects being offered are the status quo to this year.
- b. Some of the optional classes in secondary 4 and 5 may not be programmed if there is not enough student interest for a full class.
- c. Also, there is a new Culture and Citizenship in Quebec course that is supposed to replace the current Ethics course, but no news yet on when it will be implemented.
- d. Entrepreneurship classes to be added to the secondary 4 timetable but if not enough interest from the students, it will not be offered.
- e. On January 17, 2024, students will be asked to make their choices for next school year.
- f. Subject selection will be discussed at the next Staff/Teacher Council and then be brought back to governing board.
- g. Grilles Matières attached for your information.

Motion was moved to adopt the Subject Selection Plan by Annelise Rende; seconded by Jocelynn Cacciatore. All in favor.

3. Staff Appreciation Week:

- a. Staff appreciation week will be celebrated the week of February 26, 2024.
- b. We normally ask GB to help us fund the supper on PT night and some treats during the week.
- c. We are requesting \$40 per staff member to pay for the dinner and coffee break.
- d. Motion to support the staff appreciation week treats.

Motion was moved to adopt the Staff Appreciation Week by Annelise Rende; seconded by Daniela Marino. All in favor.

4. Holiday GB Social:

- a. Motion required to pay for dinner tonight from fund 3.
- b. Total was \$735.84

Motion was moved to adopt the Holiday GB Social by Patricia Suriano; seconded by Tina Rubino. All in favor.

- 5. Principal's Selection Criteria:
 - a. After the items- end of meeting.
 - b. Admin will leave the room.
 - c. Motion required (Please see new business item 4.1)
- 6. Educational Project Update (Information Item):
 - a. Stakeholders were consulted.
 - b. Results were sent out today to everyone.
 - c. At the data analysis point with panning for strategies
 - d. On track so far.
- 7. Cell Phone Draft (Information Item):
 - a. We have drafted a cell phone policy, in line with the ministry's directives.
 - b. This draft has had staff council's feedback.
 - c. I am sharing it with you for your feedback, before we move to the approval stage of the policy.
 - d. Once approved, we would like to implement it after spring break.
 - e. The deadline to have a plan in place from the MEQ was before the holidays.
 - f. Approval and further discussion will follow next meeting.

3.2 Commissioner

• She sends her regrets.

3.3 Chair

• Sandra Greco (chairperson): Nothing to report

3.4 Regional Delegate

• Annelise Renda (Reginal delegate): Nothing to report

3.5 Treasurer

• Daniela Marino: Nothing to report

3.6 Student Council

COOP

After a very successful month, we raised approximately close to \$1450 in revenue

Breakfast Club

- Breakfast is still offered to students every morning between 7:35 am 8:10 am for only 50 cents.
- Our most popular options are still grilled cheeses and Eggos

Wednesday Waffles

• Every Wednesday morning, we continue to offer students and staff free pancakes, as well as fruit and juice.

Lunch Activities

• Lunch games continue to be a success, especially now that the weather is colder and more kids are staying indoors.

Grad Hoodies

- Student Council worked very hard to ensure that our class of 2024 grad hoodies would be ready for distribution today (December 18th)
- Orders were sent out to each individual and as of Tuesday, December 19th, secondary 5 students are encouraged to wear their new spirit wear every day.

Council Canvas

- After a very successful council camp, and lots of time spent sketching and painting, our 2023-2024 council canvas is ready and currently available for members to sign.
- It will be put up before the end of the 2023 school year.

Sport Etudes Midget Team

• The Sport etudes Midget hockey team brought home a provincial tournament championship banner on December 9th.

Discovery Day Health Science

• On December 1st, selected students from Miss Cristianos chemistry and physics classes attended Mcgill University's Discovery Day for Health Science.

Movember Sales and PJ Day . .

- In early December, student council counted Movember earnings and tallied it up to \$317
- With the money raised from Pajama Day, we donated \$1692 to ...

- St-Brendans: \$575

SPCA: \$200

- The Salvation Army-Quebec Division: \$200

Moisson Montreal: \$200

- Welcome Hall Mission: \$200

Our Sociocon

- Officer Cerroni, an LBPHS alumnus, came to speak to Mr K's law class about pursuing a career in law enforcement.
- Also, during lunch hours, students had the opportunity to sit and talk with a local police officer.

RAK Squad

• Over the last couple of weeks, the RAK squad has been organizing lunch hour activities such as Trivia Tuesdays and Friendly Feud for students to participate in.

Spirit of Giving

- We held our annual food drive to support locals in our community during the holiday season.
- Secondary 5 managed to bring in the most donations, allowing them to have a free dress down day this Friday (December 22nd).
- In total, we raised FILL

Christmas Activity Week

- On December 18th and 19th, students were invited to decorate delicious cookies. Also, they were
 encouraged to wear ugly Christmas sweaters on the 18th and holiday accessories on the 19th.
- On December 20th and 21st, students have the opportunity to decorate their very own Christmas ornaments. They can also wear their wackiest holiday hats and head accessories on the 20th, and on the 21st students are encouraged to dress up as their favorite Christmas characters.
- Lastly, on Friday December 22nd, secondary 5 students have a non uniform day.

Term 1 Breakfast of Excellence

On behalf of students at LBPHS, we are incredibly grateful for the breakfast honor roll students will
receive this week.

3.7 Sport études Program (Casey Gagné)

- 140 students out of 173 sport-études students were on the honor roll for term 1.
- Special mention: Daniel Agostino a LBPHS sport-études alumnus who plays for Les ramparts de Québec was nominated to assistant captain and has played 200 games with this team.

4. New Business

4.1 Principal's Selection Criteria

Motion was moved to adopt the Principal Selection Criteria by Gabriel Latina; seconded by Annelisa Rende. All in favor.

5. Next Meeting:

- January 22, 2024: Virtual at 6: 45 pm
- Secretary for the meeting: Daniela Marino

6. Adjournment

• A motion to adjourn the meeting was moved by Jack Algieri and seconded by Annelisa Rende. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 P.M.

Principal Quitaul

Chairpersor