

## **PARKDALE SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD**

**Wednesday January 21, 2026 at 6:00pm**

Present: Mr. George Koutsoulis (Principal), Ms. Karolyn Liverman (Vice-Principal), Ms. Diana Piazza, Ms. Cynthia Chaumont, Ms. Uwarna Markandu, Ms. Thirtsa Ernest, Ms. Marie-Helene Prevost, Mr. Asad Nawaz, Ms. Darseha Kodeeswaran

Absent: Ms. Angela Zambito

Meeting Started at 6:05 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Ms. Cynthia Chaumont

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. Addition to and Approval of the Agenda for January 21, 2026**

-Motion to approve: Ms. Diana Piazza. All in favor.

#### **2. Approval of the minutes of meeting held December 16, 2025.**

-Motion to approve: Ms. Marie-Helene Prevost. Seconded by: Mr. Asad Nawaz

#### **3. New Business:**

##### **3.1 Parkdale Antibullying Antiviolence Action Plan (GB Approval)**

-Principal went over the Antibullying Antiviolence Action Plan with everyone. An email with the action plan was sent to all members prior to the meeting.

-After review of the Parkdale Antiviolence Action Plan, the members voted to approve the plan for the year 2026.

- Motion to approve: Ms. Diana Piazza. Seconded: Ms. Marie-Helene Prevost. All in favor.

##### **3.2 Parkdale Educational Project Action Plan Report**

- Mr. Koutsoulis presented the Parkdale Educational Project Action Plan Report for the school year 2024-2025.

##### **3.3 Principal's Report**

- Vice-Principal, Ms. Karolyn Liverman, presented the various school activities that took place and will be taking place for this school year.

## **PRINCIPALS REPORT – JANUARY**

**HOLIDAY THEME WEEK:** We had a successful Pizza Day, Crazy Holiday Hair Day, Dress to Impress Day, we had a wonderful visit from LaurenHill dance Troupe and a terrific theater performance from Geordie Productions, and our annual Pyjama Day!

**K4 RM.3 STUDENTS VISIT TO NOTRE-DAME DE SION:** Ms. Melissa's K4 Students brought hand-made holiday cards over to our neighboring school to spread some holiday cheer.

**SUMMIT SCHOOL VISIT:** Grade 4 students enjoyed holiday treats and an Arts & Craft program in partnership with Summit School students. It was a wonderful collaboration.

**TOY DONATION:** All students at Parkdale received a special holiday gift from generous donations given to the school from several donors.

**JANUARY SPIRIT MONTH:** Fun Fridays to cheer up the Winter Blues including Sports Day, Disney Day, Future Me Day & Multicultural Day!

**GRADE SIX LEADERSHIP CAMP:** 19 Students in Grade 6 Leadership spent 2 days engaged in Leadership Winter activities including Obstacle Course Herbetism, Tubing, Zipline, Cooperative Games, Snow Shoeing and Tubing. Fresh air & fun was had by all!

**PARKDALE WINTER SAFETY ASSEMBLY:** Mr. Koutsoulis and I addressed the students to remind them about playing safely outdoors during the Winter months.

**RECESS SUCCESS:** Grade 5 & 6 Recess Success students completed their first training session, and they will now be leading fun games outside with the younger students.

**UPCOMING:**

**FEBRUARY INCLUSIVITY MONTH – Friendship, Black History Month, Chinese New Year**

**FEBRUARY 9 to 13:** Staff Appreciation week

**FEBRUARY 11:** Chinese New Year Dance Performance

**FEBRUARY 16:** Ped Day Daycare Open

**FEBRUARY 25:** Pizza Day & Pink Shirt Day

**FEBRUARY 26:** Parent Teacher Conferences requests only

**FEBRUARY 27:** Ped Day Daycare Open

**3.4 EMSB Parent's committee Report**

- Ms. Thirtsa Ernest inquired about the number of days per week that the librarian comes to Parkdale Elementary School. The librarian is scheduled every Tuesday and every other Friday.

### **3.5 Daycare Report**

- Ms. Uwarna Markandu spoke on behalf of Ms. Angela Zambito. Enfants et Compagnie will be coming to Parkdale School for Science and chemistry activities for the Daycare students on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, pedagogical day.

### **4. Varia**

None

### **5. Question Period**

None

### **6. Adjournment**

Motioned by: Ms. Thirtsa Ernest. Seconded by: Ms. Diana Piazza

Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed on: \_\_\_\_\_