# PIERRE DE COUBERTIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD 2024-25

Minutes of the Governing Board (GB) meeting of Pierre-de-Coubertin Elementary School held virtually on Monday, January 20, 2025 at 7 pm.

Attendance: (X = present, R = regrets)

Parents:		Teachers:	
Tania Decobellis	X	Gail Belanger	X
Eric Brosseau	X	Rosanne Loggia	X
Adamo Di Lembo	X	Sabrina Colatruglio	X
Claudia Mastrocola	X	Connie Vitale	X
Joe Sousa	Х	Sophia Kalinin	X
Iolanda Bertucci	X		
Brittany Ladora	X	Support Staff:	
Anthony Pimentel	X	Johanne Messier-Chabot	X
Rosalia Caruso (Alternate)	-	Daycare:	
		Elena Lato-Difranco	X
Administration:		Community Representative:	
Ida Pisano, Principal	X		
Lisa Triestino, Vice-Principal	X		
		Commissioner Ward 8:	
		Mario Pietrangelo	Х

# 5.2 Additions to the Agenda

• No additions to the agenda

# 5.3 Approval of the Agenda

- Tania Decobellis moved to approve the agenda
- Gail Belanger seconded the motion

# 5.4 Approval of the Minutes: December 16, 2024

- Eric Brosseau mentioned corrections to be made on his name on pages 3 and 8
- Lisa Triestino mentioned the attendance section wasn't completed
- lolanda Bertucci requested a motion to approve the minutes pending the changes
- Eric Brosseau moved to approve the minutes
- Rosanne Loggia seconded the motion

# 5.5 BUSINESS ARISING – December 16, 2024

Nothing to report

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 5.6 ABAV

- Ida Pisano explained that the Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence plan is similar to last year's
  - One thing that came up in the surveys taken by Grades 4, 5, 6 was an increased concern with anxiety; the administration and staff are working together to find tools to help students with this
- Iolanda Bertucci requested a motion to approve the ABAV plan
- Joe Sousa passed the motion to approve
- Brittany Ladora seconded the motion

### 5.7 School Messenger

- Iolanda Bertucci mentioned that she was approached by parents about the school
  messenger system because it's too heavy to download the files every time; she
  asked if there was a way to mention the key points in the body of the email so
  parents don't miss the information if they don't download the file
- Ida Pisano explained that this system is from the school board
- Lisa Triestino explained that files like the school calendar need to be sent as
  attachments and also explained that for short messages they can be included in the
  body of the email however, the system is not designed to customize a template to
  include longer messages; this will take too much time for the administration to
  format

#### 5.8 Staff Appreciation

- Ida Pisano mentioned that PPO have started to organize activities for staff appreciation week – the week before spring break – and requested a budget of \$2500 from Fund 3
- Tania Decobellis passed a motion to approve
- Anthony Pimentel seconded the motion

## 5.9 Snow Removal

- Iolanda Bertucci explained that last year we sent a letter to the city with complaints about the snow removal around the school
  - On January 9<sup>th</sup> this year there was another incident where the snow removal truck on the sidewalk sped by during morning drop-off and hit the car door of a vehicle as a student was trying to descend
  - She suggested that we write another letter to complain once again about the issue of removing the snow on the sidewalk during morning drop-off as it's a safety risk for our students

- Mario Pietrangelo mentioned that on the first Monday of every month the city has a council meeting and he recommended that we go and present the complaint in person
- Johanne Messier-Chabot suggested that the letter be sent to the Mayor of Saint-Leonard as well as the Deputy of the district
- Iolanda Bertucci stated she would revise last year's letter to include the recent incident of this year and will share it with everyone for approval by email before sending it to the city

# 5.10 Information (Principal, Chair, Delegate)

- Principal report provided by Ida Pisano
  - o Tutoring started again
  - Registration for Pre-K and K will be held from February 3-7, already opened bookings, so far 21 Kindergarten (not including this year's Pre-K students) and 35 Pre-K
  - January 13<sup>th</sup> sent an email for re-registration for next school year for all students
  - Phys Ed department working hard on the winter carnival activities which will take place in February
  - On December 19-20 there was a minor fire in the library, it was taken care
    of and all cleaned up
  - Kathy and Enza are both leaving so we do not have a secretary
  - Franca will be back on January 27<sup>th</sup>
- Chair report provided by Iolanda Bertucci
  - She will send out the edits for the Principal selection letter for everyone to approve this week, the letter is due in March
- Delegate report provided by Joe Sousa
  - Spoke about the budget building process
  - 2 letters were sent to the senior management, regarding the educational project sent in January of 2024 and haven't received a response yet, they are requesting a response by February
  - Ministry cutting funding and EMSBPC want to know the metrics that will be used to evaluate where the cuts will be made by the EMSB
  - EMSBPC requested creating service email accounts for all Governing Board business for all schools
  - Spoke about school websites not being updated there are a lot of delays and inaccuracies
  - There is a parent governance workshop tomorrow which would be interesting for parents to participate in to get more knowledge about your role in being part of a Governing Board

#### 13. Varia

Nothing brought up in varia

Meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Tda Pisano

Principal

Iolanda Bertucci

**Governing Board Chairperson**