

# PIERRE DE COUBERTIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## GOVERNING BOARD 2025-26

Minutes of the Governing Board (GB) meeting of Pierre-de-Coubertin Elementary School held virtually on February 23, 2026 at 6:30 pm.

**Attendance: (X = present, R = regrets)**

<b>Parents:</b>		<b>Teachers:</b>	
Iolanda Bertucci	R	Anna-Maria Abbate	X
Rosalia Caruso	R	Gail Belanger	X
Adamo Di Lembo	X	Sabrina Colatruglio	X
Nathalie Fazzari	X	Rosanne Loggia	X
Brittany Ladora	X	Megan Pimentel	X
Claudia Mastrocola	X		
Anthony Pimentel	R	<b>Support Staff:</b>	
Joe Sousa	X	Johanne Messier-Chabot	X
Robert Mormina (Alternate)		Jennifer Miniaci	X
Joseph Rainone (Alternate)		<b>Daycare:</b>	
		Elena Lato-Difranco	X
<b>Administration:</b>		<b>Community Representative:</b>	
Lisa Triestino, Interim Principal	X		
Lisa Skinner, Interim Vice-Principal	X	<b>Commissioner Ward 8:</b>	
		Mario Pietrangelo	R

**2. Additions to the Agenda**

- Business Arising: 8. Garden
- 10 (11) – add Grade 6 to fieldtrip discussions
- 17.1 (16.1) Principal criteria (to be discussed after meeting is adjourned)

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the agenda
- Brittany Ladora approved the motion
- Joe Sousa seconded the motion

**4. Approval of the Minutes: January 19, 2026**

- Lisa Triestino mentioned that a correction was made in section 15, changed budget to budget account explanation
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the minutes with the change mentioned
- Anna-Maria Abbate approved the motion
- Gail Belanger seconded the motion

## **BUSINESS ARISING**

### **5. Laptop update**

- Lisa Triestino stated that there are 5 laptops in the current COWs that need to be updated as well as 5 from the resource cart
  - The order was placed for the purchase of the new COW and laptops; however, Lisa received an email that due to a high demand of orders they have delayed the order processing as they might not be able to furnish all of them. We are waiting for an update.

### **6. PK Trip**

- Lisa Triestino mentioned that they got the approval to use funds from the AMSA account to pay for the Pre-K fieldtrip to Musée des enfants therefore, there will not be any charges to the parents

### **7. Daycare Handbook update**

- Lisa Triestino explained that Elena has made some updates to the daycare handbook on the procedures for notifying parents about head injuries and head lice, they will follow the same procedures as the school administration
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the updates to the Daycare Handbook
- Brittany Ladora approved the motion
- Johanne Messier-Chabot seconded the motion

### **8. Garden**

- Lisa Triestino mentioned that the file has made its way to the director to validate the plan and she should be receiving an update by the end of the month on when the work will get done, maybe June/July

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **9. School photographer selection**

- Lisa Triestino mentioned that PPO was asked to propose some suggestions for the school photographer however none were brought up, they recommended keeping Green Apple as they were happy with their services
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve Green Apple as the photographer for next year
- Nathalie Fazzari approved the motion
- Anna-Maria Abbate seconded the motion

### **10. Specialist allocation funds**

- Lisa Triestino requested the use of \$500-600 for Miss Framary to purchase materials for her life skills teachings
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve using \$500 from Fund 3 school fundraising for Miss Framary to purchase materials
- Nathalie Fazzari approved the motion
- Johanne Messier-Chabot seconded the motion

**11. ASD & Grade 6 Fieldtrips**

- Lisa Skinner explained the two new fieldtrips to be approved
  - The Wings teachers have planned a fieldtrip to the Ecomuseum for the students and their parents, they have applied for a grant to cover all the costs, and it looks good but are waiting for official approval
  - The Grade 6 teachers have planned a trip to Horizon de Khéops, cost is fully covered by grants
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the Wings fieldtrip
- Nathalie Fazzari approved the motion
- Jennifer Miniaci seconded the motion
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the Grade 6 fieldtrip
- Nathalie Fazzari approved the motion
- Gail Belanger seconded the motion

**12. Daycare Fieldtrip**

- Elena Lato-Difranco proposed a fieldtrip for the ped day on March 16<sup>th</sup> at Boulzeve cost is \$49.79, will charge parents \$50
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the daycare fieldtrip on March 16<sup>th</sup>
- Adamo Di Lembo approved the motion
- Brittany Ladora seconded the motion

**13. 25-26 Budget Approval**

- Lisa Triestino explained the budget in detail and read the resolution that needs to be approved by the Governing Board
- Joe Sousa motioned to approve the resolution to approve the 25-26 budget
- Brittany Ladora approved the motion
- Claudia Mastrocola seconded the motion
- The resolution was presented and adopted unanimously

**14. Budget Building Process**

- Lisa Triestino explained that the Governing Board is asked to provide a list of where they would like budgets to be spent, below are the top 5 that was decided
  - Resource teachers
  - Attendants and behaviour technicians
  - Special language classes
  - Psychologists and SLPs
  - Building improvements

**15. PC Delegate Report**

- Delegate's report provided by Joe Sousa
  - Spoke about the status of guidelines for gym equipment
  - Reviewed the budget building process as they will be doing it at the next meeting
  - There is a petition circulating about having cross guards at high schools however, they were told that there is a shortage of crossing guards right now

- There was a library survey to see how schools are doing as some don't have libraries open

**16. Principal's Report**

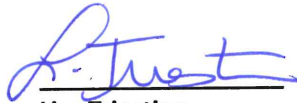
- Principal's report provided by Lisa Triestino
  - February was a busy month with a lot of activities: I love to read week, Jennifer Belinfante, Grade 2 student read the book she wrote in English, French and Italian, Nicholas Doyon storyteller, video game gala, digital citizenship workshop, Black History Month activities, Together We Rise push-up challenge, skating trip for Grade 4 (5 and 6 coming up)
  - In March they will begin the morning and lunch tutoring for Math (Grade 2-5) and French (Grade 2-4), Wilson with Miss Framary (Grade 2-3)

**17. Varia**

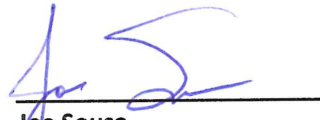
**17.1 Principal criteria**

- Joe Sousa requested for all Governing Board members (except for the Interim Principal and Interim Vice-Principal) to stay in the meeting to review the Principal Criteria letter which needs to be agreed upon and sent to the school board

Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.



**Lisa Triestino**  
Interim Principal



**Joe Sousa**  
Governing Board Chairperson