Minutes of the meeting of the Roslyn Governing Board November 14, 2022 Held via MS Teams

Minutes prepared by Daniel Khazzam

Governing Board Members Present

Suzanne Wexler (Chair)
Daniel Khazzam (Parent, PC delegate)
Andrew Potter (Parent)
Meaghan Daniel (Parent)
Jo-Ann Wong (Parent)
Prosanto Chaudhury (Parent)
Daniel Torchinsky (Parent)
Vanessa Campbell (Alternate)
Kori Betsalel (Alternate)
Curtis Brissette (Alternate)

Julie Marcus (Teacher)
Diane Biard-Goble (Teacher)
Jinan Paquin (Teacher)
Amelia Leighton (School Secretary)
Kathleen Laranjeiro (Teacher)
Amanda Garrido (Specialist sub)
Debbie Stock (HandS co-chair)
Jennifer Maxwell
Jonathan Kruidbos (Community Rep)
Bianca Jorrin (Teacher)
Stephanie Iannelli (Teacher)

Regrets

Judy Kleinman (Teacher) and Heather Hodges (Community Rep)

Also Present

Joanna Genovezos (Principal) Mireille Tehbelian (Vice-Principal)

1. Welcome

Andrew P. motions to start meeting, Diane B.G. seconded, all in favour.

2. Adoption of Agenda (2 minutes) (For Approval)

Andrew motions to adopt the agenda, Daniel T. seconded, all in favour.

- 3. Adoption of Minutes (2 minutes)
- 3.1 Adoption of Minutes from GB Meeting on Monday October 17, 2022 (For Approval)

Mireille T. made changes to the draft minutes circulated in advance of the meeting. Diane B.G. motions to adopt revised minutes, Daniel T. seconded, all in favour.

- 4. First Question Period (2 minutes)
- 5. Business Arising from Last Meeting (10 minutes)
- 5.1 Enrichment Program update

Grade 4 Roslyn student won a section of the Caribou math competition, no. 1 in the world. Battle of the books competition began this week (students meeting 60 mins weekly with enrichment instructor). Problem solving program also began today (students meeting 90 mins weekly with enrichment instructor). Mireille T. provided additional information.

5.2 Explainer for RGB on IEPs and Coding Students

Bianca J. answered some questions on IEPs and coding students that arose in the last RGB meeting. Action item for next meeting for Joanna to find out if streaming is provincial or EMSB.

5.3 Scholastic Book Sale

Suzanne W. presented an update on the book sale.

Reports and New Business

6. Community Representatives Report (5 minutes)

Jonathan K. provided an update on YMCA activities. Spearheading a revamp of existing models to make them more up-to-date based on current research. Tindale update also provided.

7. HandS Report (5 minutes)

Debbie S. provided an update on HandS activities.

8. Teacher's Report (10 minutes)

Kathleen L. gave a teacher's report on what has been going on in her class. She is working hard. Diane B.G. also gave a teacher's report on her grade 5 class. Julie M. provided an update on her English classes, she is breaking groups into smaller groups to help with children's needs. She is having fun with the work. Amanda G. provided an update on science and technology, says it should be fun.

9. EMSB Parents Committee Report (10 minutes)

Daniel K. summarized the EMSB Parent Committee (PC) activities he attended. Two PC meetings and a sit-down with Joe Ortona (EMSB Chair). First meeting was mostly to vote in functions, second meeting main takeaways were the commitment to success plan update and polling of Parent Committee members. The sit-down was mainly to discuss Bill 21, 40 and 96 and Daniel K. provided a summary on the bills and the current judicial status of each vis-à-vis the EMSB oppositions. He also relayed certain questions from other school delegates, including where the funding for the litigation was coming from as well as plans for the EMSB budget surplus.

Daniel T. asked for more information on use of excess budget. Action item for Daniel K. to ask at next PC meeting. A parent asked if the PC can provide a letter template to parents for use by GB to relay its position on Bill 21, 40 and 96. Action item for Daniel K. to obtain a letter template at the next PC meeting.

10. RGB Chair Report (15 minutes)

10.1. Meeting dates, setting priorities, and establishing communication schedule for 2022-23

Action item for Suzanne W. to obtain a quote to update Roslyn website. Amelia L. volunteered to help work on the refresh. A parent asked why Roslyn can't hire more regular and resource teachers, if can do fundraisers for additional staffing at the school. Joanna G. provided details on the government-assigned maximum class size and mentioned that very few are oversized. International students with English eligibility are now allowed to enroll again so numbers are going up — now 570 students. Suzanne W. stated that fundraising cannot be used to hire additional teachers.

There will be a meeting on November 28th 6:30pm administration and RGB parents regarding the RGB priorities for 2022-23. Teachers will be consulted.

11. Principal and Vice Principal Report

Mireille T.: Roslyn raised \$2375 for Terry Fox, a little less than usual. October 11th fire drill practice. October 12th photo day went well. October 27th whole-school assembly on the theme of respect. Halloween festivities on October 31st. First grad committee meeting on November 3rd. Last Friday November 3rd fire drill at school. Letter was sent to Roslyn parents regarding lockdown practice. November 23rd will have a theater group for all Grade 1 classes. Parent-teacher

evening November 23-24. November 24-25 are pedagogical days. Enrichment activities beginning this week.

Joanna G.: Presented Education Project 2021-2022 Annual Report on Roslyn. There were no ministry exams due to pandemic so the Board created a generic report. Discussion on uniform exams ensued.

11.1 Annual Report on Educational Project (10 minutes) (Approval with a Resolution)

Governing Board Resolution for Annual Report on Educational Project was read.

IT WAS MOVED BY Daniel Khazzam AND RESOLVED THAT the Annual Report on the Educational Project 2021-2022 be approved by the Governing Board, and that it be communicated to all stakeholders.

12. Good and Welfare

Short discussion.

13. Question Period (2 minutes)

Short question period.

14. Next meeting date: Monday December 12th 6:15pm

Andrew P. moved to end meeting, Daniel K. seconded, all in favour. Meeting ended 7:48 p.m.

Suzanne Wexler, Chairperson

Joanna Genovezos, Principal

Monday, December 12th, 2022 Date