



Commission scolaire English-Montréal  
English Montreal School Board

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## ÉCOLE ST. MONICA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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### 2025 – 2026 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

**Monday, January 26, 2026**  
**St. Monica Elementary School**  
**7:00 p.m | Virtual**

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Christy Tannous, Jesse Corbeil, Elena Raznovan, Cynthia Di Rienzo, Conor Moloney, Joanne Hall, Anne Doan, Leighton Jacobs, Athlyn Kennedy, Sharon Nelson, Samantha Smith, Sonny Moroz

**REGRETS:** Iris Stefania Vasiliu, Nicholas Sitaras

#### **1. Opening Remarks/Welcome**

1.1. **Jesse Corbeil calls the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.** and delivered welcoming remarks. Welcome to the first meeting of 2026.

#### **2. Adoption of Agenda**

2.1. Changes required:

- Add: Conor asked to add a check-in on Library services to New Business
- Add: items for Principal's Report to review:
  - 2.1..1. Educational Project
  - 2.1..2. ABAV
  - 2.1..3. Mandatory Content Planner

2.2. Mr. Corbeil motions to adopt the agenda:

- First: Cynthia
- Second: Anne
- **Unanimously approved.**

#### **3. Approval of Minutes from the last meeting (December 1, 2025)**

3.1. Mr. Corbeil motions to approve the minutes:

- Motion: Conor
- Second: Cynthia
- Unanimously approved.

4. **Business Arising from the Minutes:** None

5. **Public question period:** None

Joanne Hall joined at 7:16 p.m.

6. Reports

6.1. Terrebonne Bike Path Subcommittee:

- Sonny Moroz introduced himself as the interim city councillor
- Established his interest in the bike path project as a politician and community advocate
- The bike path committee provided Sonny with context, summary and asked Mr. Moroz for next steps.
- Mr. Moroz provided the committee with contact information for booking him for a follow-up meeting and next steps. (514 290-2468 and [Sonny.moroz@montreal.ca](mailto:Sonny.moroz@montreal.ca))

Sonny Moroz left at 7:31 p.m.

6.2. Principal's Report

- Events throughout December and January went well. Breakfast with Santa and created debrief documentation for all of the events.
- Open house on December 4 went really well and visitors enjoyed the one-stop-shop for questions.
- Five smart boards were replaced and PPO paid for the installation.
- Currently working on updating the school website (staff lists, etc...)
- Steelpan is back three days per week until the end of the year.
- February will include Black History Month activities. Sharon Nelson is looking to doing something to mark the month as well.
- Power loss that affected the area and the St. Monica's community. The school lost power for about 48 hours (power returned this morning). All food in the school is being assessed.
- A practice lockdown will take place Wednesday, January 28. Teachers have been preparing the students for what to do and what to expect.

6.2.1 Educational Project

- a. No approval needed; every school needs a 5-year educational plan
- b. Ours was updated in 2023 and valid until 2027
- c. Teachers are actively working towards achieving their goals

Athlyn Kennedy arrived at 7:40 p.m.

#### 6.2.2 Mandatory Content Planning Table

- a. This is what we are covering in school in terms of content this year.
- b. Samantha presented the Personal Development and Community Involvement Animator (PDCIA) curriculum for St. Monica's. She has been at the school for 7 years.
- c. The PDCIA content gets reviewed and assessed annually in terms of when to deliver that content.
- d. For Sexuality Education, board approval is required.
  - i. Anne moves to approve the Mandatory planning table
    1. First: Anne
    2. Second: Conor
    - 3. Unanimously approved.**

#### 6.2.3 ABAV (Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence)

- a. Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Act is a document for an annual plan that addresses how each school addresses bullying and violence.
  - i. Elena moves to approve the ABAV plan.
    1. First: Elena
    2. Second: Anne
    - 3. Unanimously approved.**

#### 6.3. Commissioner's Report (Sharon)

- Happy new year wishes and expressed the delight of everything going on at the school.
- School board is in the news again with another lawsuit around school taxes to ensure that schools get the money they need when they need it to operate.
- Planning a Jamaican breakfast for the kids in the breakfast club for Black History Month.

#### 6.4. Regional Delegate's Report (Conor)

- Letter drafted to the chair asking for access to funds to allow parents to attend PC meetings.
- EMSB commissioners eliminated the option to mail letters to ask questions. PC feels that it eliminates access to the EMSB commissioners.

#### 6.5. Teacher's Report

- Cynthia: Valentine's day, 100<sup>th</sup> day of school, winter carnival and Olympics, Black History Month, wrapping up the second term and meeting with parents. Report cards are coming up as well. Grateful for the new smartboard!
- Leighton: Recently at the LCC basketball tournament where they had to change locations. Team lost in semi-final but the team did VERY well. Skating has started for Cycle 2 and 3. It's taking place at the Bleu Blanc Rouge (outdoors) and equipment is provided for free.

#### 6.6. Daycare Report (Athlyn)



- Students are enjoying their activities. Daycare educators are now putting their scheduling up at the front and parents appreciate knowing what their kids are doing.
- February 27 Ped Day board approval for bowling at the Rose Bowl, regardless of the chosen transportation type.

6.6..1. Conor motions to approve the trip as presented.

6.6..1.1. First: Conor

6.6..1.2. Second: Anne

#### 6.7. PPO Report:

- Continuing with fund raisers – pizza lunch is on! It will run on the last Wednesday of the month.
- Fundraiser with Felix & Norton cookies for Valentine’s Day
- February 14 will also have candy grams for the school and the winter carnival will follow.

6.8. Grad Committee Report: None

6.9. Treasurer’s report: None

6.10. Promotional campaign:

- Ms. Tannous is pleased with the pick-up of social media activity
- The school’s website is also being revisited to ensure that all info is accurate.

### 7. **New Business:**

7.1. Library Services (Conor)

- PC asked each school to do a survey on the topic of Library Services with the following questions:

7.1..1. What is the current status of library services at your school?

How many days per week do you have a librarian or documentation technician?

How long has your school been without consistent library service (if applicable)?

Are parent volunteers currently managing or supporting library services? (If yes, how?)

8. **Date of Next Meeting:** February 23, 2026 at 7 p.m. (virtual)

9. **Adjournment** at 9:07 p.m. by Jesse.

9.1. Motion is moved by Elena and seconded by Joanne.

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**Jesse Corbeil**, Chairperson

**Christy Tannous**, Principal (Interim)