



SHERBROOKE ACADEMY JUNIOR
Tentative Governing Board Minutes (to be approved by gb)
Tuesday, March 16, 2021
Held Online via Zoom

- Parent Reps:** David Barbiero, Amanda Bruno, Stephanie Caputo, Kim Gill, Denise Pereira
- Staff Reps:** Tracey Brenie, Cathy Malone, Tanya Rudolph, Justine Soles, Sarah Stets
- Principal:** Laurence Assouline
- Community Rep:** Roger Moss
- Commissioner:** Marilynne Boyer

1. Welcome & Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm

2. Land Acknowledgement

- Land acknowledgement was recited

3 Adoption of the Agenda

- The revised agenda was approved unanimously via a motion moved by A. Bruno & seconded by D. Pereira

4 Adoption of the Minutes From February 2, 2021

- The minutes from the February 2, 2021 governing board meeting were approved unanimously, via a motion moved by T. Rudolph & seconded by D. Barbiero

5. Public Question Period

- No questions were raised

6 New Business

6.1 Principal's Criteria

- Due march 12
- K. Gill has requested an extension on a response to the Principal's Criteria
- K. Gill will email all governing board members with an update

6.2 Review of Governing Board Composition

- There are 12 members in total on the Sherbrooke Academy Jr governing board
- 5 parents, 4 staff members, 1 daycare rep & 2 community members
- The governing board composition will remain status quo
- L. Assouline will advise G. Durgre of this governing board decision

6.3 Review AVAB for 2021-2022

- Please refer to the link below for the 2020-2021 ABAV Plan
[AVAB 2020-2021](#)
- The plan was reviewed in detail; comments that were made will be incorporated into the AVAB plan & will be reviewed at the next board meeting
- The AVAB plan is posted on the schools web site

6.4 Present Student Registration

- Currently there are 56 registered for K5 3 K5 classes
- 20 registered for K4 with a maximum of 17 per class
- 55 students are registered for grade 1 (3 grade 1 classes)
- 65 students are registered for grade 2 (3 grade 2 classes)
- Registration numbers will be reviewed at the April staffing meeting

6.5 Fundraising

Super-Recycleurs à L'École

- Special project - environment
- Donations of used clothes & fabric
- Starting on Sunday April 11 from 10:00 - 3:00 & Monday April 12th until 11:00 am
- A trailer will be made available for families to drop off their used goods
- Please refer to the links below for more information

[SUPER RECYCLEURS Fund-Raising Request Form](#)

[EntenteSR SherbrookeAcademy 2020-21.docx](#)

- The Super-Recycleurs a L'Ecole fundraiser was approved unanimously via a motion moved by T. Rudolph & seconded by T. Brenie

Adopt a Tree - Home & School

- To raise money for environmental initiatives for Sherbrooke Academy Jr. & Sr
- The funds could be allocated to any environmental education projects such as, the outdoor classrooms, gardens, bee houses, bat houses, etc
- Idea is that each family will make a donation on behalf of their child for the purpose of adopting a tree (a sapling), with the promise that the tree will be planted
- The type of tree that has been chosen for this activity, is called the Jack Pine
- This tree is the home of Kirtland's Warbler, which has become an endangered species
- The Jack Pine also provides a habitat for other birds & animals, including, hares, squirrels, & chipmunks
- The tree itself is in decline, it is a very hardy tree, fast growing, beautiful & doesn't require much work
- The price includes the sapling wrapped in a burlap bag, which requires no other packaging for the child to transport home
- There will be no extra work involved by staff to prepare; saplings will be quarantined for 72 hours before being transported to the school
- Please refer to the links below for more information

[Adopt A Tree](#)

- The Adopt a Tree fundraiser was approved unanimously via a motion moved by D. Barbiero & seconded by J. Soles

Daycare Ped Day Activities (March 29 & March 30)

- On Monday March 29th there will be spring activities such as arts & crafts; a \$6 activity fee will be charged
- On Tuesday there will be a Build a Bear activity; a \$15 activity fee will be charged
- The above mentioned daycare ped day activities were approved unanimously via a motion moved by T. Rudolph & seconded by D. Pereira

Grade 2 Kangaroo Project

- The grade 2 classes sent 120 Valentine's Day cards to Centre d'hebergement Denis-Benjamin-Viger a Senior Residence in Ile Bizard
- The residences were so excited when they received these specially addressed cards
- St Patrick decorations were also sent to Centre Denis-Benjamin-Viger from the Grade 2 classes .
- Mini zoom visits are being organized for the Seniors & our grade 2 students. These visits will include storytelling & singing.
- This Grade 2 Zoom visit Partnership Project with seniors was approved unanimously via a motion moved by T. Brenie & seconded by D. Barbiero

7. Reports

7.1 Home & School

- PIZZA & SUBWAY / TCBY REIMBURSEMENTS: Ongoing reimbursements for families that had credits with Home & School for the lunches & TCBY fundraisers; still waiting for some families to respond
- STAFF APPRECIATION: Week of March 15, a "Game" theme has been chosen. Gifts & food to be delivered to staff over 2 days. Students will also benefit from board games being donated to the school
- HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION AWARENESS: Due to covid restrictions, the association is struggling to reach parents. The association is working on a plan to help promote itself as well as attempt to get more parents involved. Social media campaigns, visual aids (physical banners at each campus), & a new website are the main elements to the strategy
- Next meeting will be taking place on March 24, 2021

7.2 Commissioner's Report

- To ensure that members of the LBPSB community remain up to date regarding what transpires at regular Council of Commissioners meetings, the Department of Communications & Community Development will be sending out summaries of the different decisions that were taken following each meeting
- Please refer to the link below for highlights that were taken during the February 22 2021 Council of Commissioner meeting

[Highlights From the Feb 2021 Council of Commissioners Meeting](#)

7.3 Community Rep Report

- City of Beaconsfield would like to initiate a climate action week (first week of June)
- Goal is to keep our parks clean; planting & composing are some of the ideas that have been presented

7.4 Regional Parent Committee

- Please refer to the link below for the March Parent Committee report
[PC Report from March 11, 2021](#)
- Please refer to the link below for the Resolution of Climate Change
[Resolution on Climate Change Education](#)

7.5 SAS Report

- No report was submitted

7.6 Principal Report

Acknowledgements

- Carnival committee for organizing fun activities before March break
- Home & School for organizing the staff appreciation week

School News

- Masks in Grad 1 & 2: Students have to wear them all day. School provides 2 per day as per government guidelines & one extra for daycare students
- Continue to reinforce Santé Publique guidelines: no gathering on school properties
- Government grants: tutoring. Miss Anna & Miss Jen in the afternoon: 1 hour per day

Miss Tanya: 1h per day before & after school: SEL

Miss Manika: 2 times a week for 1 hour

- Spring around the corner: outdoor clothing may have to be adjusted
- Outdoor classroom: workshop on Thursday by a teacher from Forest Hill Junior
- March 29 & 30: Ped days, daycare open
- March 29: Short week: planning for special activities around cabane à sucre, more info to come

7.7 Teachers

K4

- Themes of the month are Space & Saint-Patrick's Day
- Both classes will be attending a virtual field trip with the Cosmodome on March 25th
- The Zebras will also be having a "buffet day" on March 31 to cook & taste-test different foods all day long

KINDERGARTEN 5:

- March will be dedicated to nutrition
- March 15-19: Collations santé. The children are preparing & taste testing different healthy snack choices (soup, muffins, apple slices, yogurt parfait & pizzas)
- March 22-26: Spaghetti lunch week. The children will participate in preparing & enjoying a full spaghetti lunch at the end of the week after having cooked & prepared it all (salad, spaghetti, desert)

Grade1

- We are introducing dictée words to supplement our writing activities in which the students are becoming the authors & editors of their own short stories
- Students are eager to show off their reading skills & are motivated to be filmed reading books that are incorporated into the virtual classroom or to simply read a book to their classmates in class
- Students have been learning how to show their understanding by using drawings & math sentences in mini-word problems
- We are eagerly awaiting the arrival of Spring & are incorporating the vernal equinox into much of our cross-curricular activities; animals are part of our current theme

Grade 2

- We are reviewing subjects from February & March for evaluations happening this week
- Students are beginning to work on personal projects in reading as well as coding using the ipads & chrome books in class
- We will be doing a nutrition research project for the month of March
- We are working hard on practicing our situational problems & how to organize our work effectively. Students are learning about the evaluation rubric used to assess the situational problem. This visual tool will help each student see how they can improve
- Students are enjoying our monthly virtual BINGO boards which provide supplementary enrichment exercises at home. Coding & math quiz activities are most popular

7.8 Daycare

Updates

- Our February 8th ped day was a success with 32 students in attendance; the grades 1 & 2 went skating with hot chocolate afterwards. The K4 & K5 played in the school yard & forest throughout the day
- We continue to encourage parents to use the ped day service if necessary to try & ensure smaller classroom bubbles & ratios for each ped day
- On February 15th we had our professional development day with all daycare staff from Region 2. The workshop was about connection with students, how to de-escalate potential situations & tips on how to redirect behaviours. This workshop was hosted with the Centre of Excellence for Mental Health & daycare technicians for their daycare staff
 - In the afternoon they attended a webinar that was offered to all LBPSB employees about happiness & finding the positive in situations
- Taxes are now available on the Mozaik portal. We have noticed that sometimes the parent “payer” is not necessarily the parent with the Mozaik portal. It's important to ensure that the parent has a Mozaik portal to be able to print their forms for tax purposes
- Programming continues for our morning, lunch & afternoon daycare, due to mask wearing for the grades 1 & 2 (as well as common spaces for all students), we continue to go outside as much as possible (weather permitting) in the afternoon daycare for pick ups
- On Tuesdays & Thursdays we offer a quiet time period for grades 1 & 2 to work on their homework (approximately 20-30 minutes)
- Upcoming ped days are Monday March 29th & Tuesday March 30th

Friendly Reminders:

- We are reminding parents to please not park in the parking lot & to park in the front where the bus lanes are. In the mornings to try & only park on one side of the bus lane
- Ped Days will continue to operate from 7:30-3:30pm until further notice

8. Varia

- No varia was mentioned

9. Correspondence

- No correspondence was received

10. Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:16 pm & was passed unanimously; the next governing board meeting is scheduled for April 13 2021

Respectfully submitted by Sue Day, Executive Assistant, High School Sector

Approved _____
Principal

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Governing Board Chair