Mount Pleasant School Governing Board Agenda

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

-Attendees:

2022-23 Chair: Megan Webster (Parent)

Parents: Natasha Menard, Andre Troke, Christine Jastrzebski. Melissa Pelletier, Julie Pepin, Amanda Sly (alternate)

Staff: Laurie Hobe, Ursula Dixon, Laurie Kearney, Sarah Stitt, Marie-Eve Pilon, Jane Malone, Annabelle McIntosh (Ms. Malone's student teacher), Karine Fournier (Staff alternate)

Regrets: Alex Smith, Danny Olivenstein, Iaian Delgarno,

Secretary; Sarah Stitt

Agenda: Amendments, revision, adoption

Motion: to adopt the agenda

Moved by: Megan Webster

Results: unanimous

November 2023 Minutes: Amendments, revision, adoption

Motion: To approve the previous governing board meeting minutes

Moved by: Mellisa Pelletier

Results: unanimous

E-Vote: To increase the price of the Subway lunches offered by Home and School

Motion: To increase the cost of the Subway lunch by \$1.00 starting in January (from \$6.50 to \$7.50).

Rationale: An increase to the price of subs was made in September, but it was too late for Home and School to change it on their end so they have been charging the same price as last year, cutting the school's share of the profit by 1\$ each. This time around, for the next 5 months, they would like to increase the price by 1\$ so they can make a profit on this lunch again (approximately 1000\$ for the next 5 lunches).

Moved by: Andre Troke

Results: 12 approve

School Budget for the school year 2023-24

The Budget was presented by Mme Daoust.

The deficit was explained and the plan to get out of it in two years. It was explained that the daycare would be able to transfer some operating costs, and get rid of the cost of the rental of the photocopier.

What happens if the photocopier goes down? Teachers will be flexible with their activities. Why don't we get aide in the class measure? Possibly because we are not in an area that is recognized as needed/poverty? Educational limits?

Motion: To approve the budget as presented by Mme. Daoust.

Moved by: Mme Marie Eve Pilon

Results: Unanimous

Daycare Budget for the school year 2023-24

Ms Dixon presented the budget for the school year of 2023-2024

Question from Julie regarding the K4 salaries? It doesn't seem there is enough allocated for the teacher assistants it was explained that it is based on hours as not all 3 assistants are full time. Megan has the ratio of student to teacher changed? No, we had to hire an extra handicap attendant.

Motion: set forth Megan to approve the daycare budget.

Moved by: Jane Malone Results: Unanimous

Approval of the School's Application for the Playground Improvement Fund

This was presented by Mme Daoust.

Motion: To approve the school's application to the LBPSB for additional funding for playground improvements.

Moved by: Natacha Ménard

Results: Unanimous

Request for Approval for Special Whole School Activity: Everblast

Context:

H+S has a school wide activity budget of 4000-4500\$ every year and with the cost of transport, we try to keep it in school for a few days. We have had Jungle Sport host a week long activity and it worked out really well. We have reached out to them but unfortunately, they no longer service our area.

There is another company called Everblast that offers different school packages. They have come to our school for Fun Day before with activities and staff.

The proposed activity would be held through 4 days during their regular gym periods. There would be half a gym designated for glow in the dark 9 hole mini putt and the other side would be reserved for those Rollerballs that the kids get into. They have 2 kids in balls, they all have a turn and play activities with those balls as teams. There is a third activity which is a team building activity that would be held in class for grades 1 and up. The teachers would sign up for the activity and it would be hosted by Everblast staff. They can do 3 team building activities per day, therefore there are 12 available time slots in the week over the 4 days.

H+S has received a quote of 4742\$ taxes included. There was a special promotion price which gave us a 750\$ rebate. We were lucky that the week before March break was still available. It is tentatively scheduled with them already.

Concerns were brought up by members as to what would be made available for K4 and K5, it was suggested that Ms Jenn and Mr Smith, might be able to organize something for the younger ones. It was then re-explained that two of the three activities are geared towards the younger ones and that they would be able to participate in two of the three activities.

Motion: To approve the H+S's motion for an in-school special activity as described above.

Moved by: Andre Troke

Results: All approve with one obstention

Request for Approval for Special PD Day Activity for SEED Students on February 9th

Presented by Ms. Dixon

Context:

Jenn Harris is a very well known art teacher from the west Island. Her family run business was very successful. She currently teaches art class at Omer DeSerre and has a great online following and presence.

https://www.instagram.com/artbyjenniferharris/ and https://www.facebook.com/artbyjenniferharris514/

Each child will have a 2 hour class to create a 16x20 canvas. Because of the cost I believe I have to pass it through GB first.

The total cost then would be \$43.75 \$15.75 plus the activity fee \$28.

There is a picture of the artwork they will be creating at the top of the quote.

Question was asked to see if some of the budget from daycare could go towards this program? Would be taken into consideration after all expense.

Motion: To approve the SEED Activity for Feb. 9th

Moved by: Ursula Dixon Results: Unanimous

Request for Approval for After School Activity: Photography

Presented by Mme Daoust, it would be run by one of our substitute teachers. Objectives of the Workshop:

- 1. Sense of Achievement: to use a photography project as a means to foster students' self confidence and worth, feelings of success, and growth.
- 2. Self Expression: to use hands-on activities related to photography as a way to express and communicate thoughts, feelings, and ideas.
- 3. Creativity: to produce and study images to develop students' inner voice, ideas, and ability to form alternate perspectives.

Cycle 3 students

Results: Unanimously approved

Question Period

It was brought forth from our parent community concerning the trip to the theater. A safety concerning having to cross the bridge and the fact that they, the parents are not allowed to send their children to school if they are not attending the theater. Why is there not an alternative to allowing the children to still come to school? Since the rest of the school will not be there except the cycle 3 students and staff, there is no one able to watch these children. Could it be an option for parents to drive their children to the theater? Of course they can but

Request for Consultation: Please find the following requests for consultations in our Google Drive. Please read these documents and forward your feedback to the link

Principal Criteria Consultation

• Budget Consultation Plan 2024-2025

they, the parents will have to be prepared to pay for their ticket.

Should you wish to provide input on the drafts, please send your comments in writing to consultations@lbpsb.qc.ca.

Question Period

provided.

Question about the Feb 8th play in Pierrefonds for k to Grade 4: Some parents are very concerned with the bridge and then will have no option for their children to attend school that day.

Points of Information

Please find the following points of information in the Google Drive.

- Policy on School Daycare and Lunch (newly adopted policy)
- Enrolment Criteria Policy Modifications (newly adopted modifications)
- Evaluation of Student Learning Policy (newly adopted policy)
- Policy on School and Continuing Education Fees (newly adopted policy)
- Governing Board PowerPoint Slides (for your education in your role)

 Please note that all schools in the LBPSB will add the Anti-Bullying, Anti-Violence Plan and information to their websites. (See the summary in our drive)

Business arising

Mr Troke will be replacing Megan next month as chair.

New Business

- > Principal's Report:
- ➤ Daycare Report:
- > Central Parents Rep Report:
- > Commissioner's Report:

The governing board went over the "What our school is looking for in a Principal", the letter was read aloud and reviewed. Comments were acknowledged by all members and adjustments were made to the letter.

Adjournment

- o Motion to adjourn: Jane Malone
- o Results: unanimously agreed

Date of Next Meeting: February 20, 2023

Megan Webster

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Chairperson

Dominique Daoust

Principal

Cost 30\$ per student At the end of this initiative it would be presented as a vernissage, for everyone to enjoy.

Motion: To approve the after school activity, described above.

Moved by: Ms Dixon

Results: unanimously agreed

Request for Approval for School Field Trip for Cycle 3 Students

Les élèves du Cycle 3 ont une sortie scolaire à Radio-Canada en avril 2024. Ils auront la chance de faire des ateliers de télévision, de radio, de créer un balado, etc. en plus de visiter la nouvelle maison de Radio-Canada à Montréal.

Les dates sont les suivantes:

15 avril, de 9h à 13h30 pour les élèves de 6e année.

29 avril, de 9h à 13h30 pour les élèves de 5e année.

Grâce à une subvention de Culture à l'école, les coûts des ateliers et des autobus sont couverts.

No cost to parents.

Grade 5 will learn about radio broadcasting and the grade 6 students will learn tv broadcasting and completely done in French

Motion: To approve the field trip, described above.

Moved by: Melissa

Results: Unanimously passed

Curling at the Legion cost will be 2.00 per student.

Friday April 5 with parent volunteers

8:45-

9:50 -

10:55-11:55

Everybody back for lunch,

Ms. Weir and Ms. Sarah and Mr. Klein

Moved: Christine