**Parents’ Committee (PART 2)** **MEETING**

**Thursday,** **October 6, 2022**

**7:00 p.m., BOARDROOM**

**1925 BROOKDALE AVENUE**

**AGENDA**

Please make sure you sign-in upon arrival.

1. Call to Order & Resumption of AGA
2. Word from the Chair
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Election of Internal Advisory
   1. Chair
   2. Vice-Chair
   3. Secretary
   4. Treasurer
   5. Communications Officer
   6. Commissioner Representing Parents' Committee
5. Election of Commissioner Representing Parents' Committee
   1. Elementary
   2. High School
   3. At-Large
6. Election of LBPSB Committee Representatives
   1. Communications (1 Rep)
   2. Facilities & Security (1 Rep)
   3. Intercultural Advisory (3 Reps)
   4. Programs & Services (1 Rep)
   5. Safe and Caring Schools (1 Rep)
   6. Transportation Advisory (1 Rep)
7. Election of External Representation
   1. EPCA Delegate (2-year term)
   2. Pearson Educational Foundation (PEF)
8. Call for Ad hoc Subcommittee Participation
   1. Internal Rules Review
   2. Consultation: Major School Change (Brief due November 15)
   3. Bill 40
   4. Consultation: Policy for the Rental of Facilities (Brief due December 1)
9. Adjournment

# NOTES

Next meeting: November 3, 2022

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1. Call to Order & Resumption of AGA

S. Ross called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Quorum was established with ????? members out of 48 LBPSB schools and SNAC being represented. S. Ross then proceeded to recite the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

1. Word from the Chair

S. Ross thanked everyone for their participation. He made it clear that this was a resumption of the last meeting.

S. Ross emphasized that he would not be running for the position of Chair this year. He stated that he would be happy to assist the new Chair and signaled his intention to run for the position of Vice-Chair. He thanked the outgoing members of the Advisory and all of the parents he has worked with.

It was noted that there is still a lot of work to be done. S. Ross stated that the various positions and their duties had been reviewed the previous week. During this portion of the meeting, the elections would take place.

1. Approval of the Agenda

S. Ross asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda. S. Ross moved to completely remove agenda item # 8 and to move agenda item #4.6 to 5.4. The motion was seconded by A. Charszan. He called for approval of the agenda. None were opposed and no abstentions were noted. It was carried unanimously.

1. Election of Internal Advisory
   1. Chair

S. Ross thanked J. Kelley for joining the meeting. Participants were reminded that if the Rep is present the Alt cannot vote. S. Ross indicated that he would not be running as Chair due to increasing work commitments. He explained that the Chair works closely with the School Board and Chairperson of the LBPSB. He noted that the Chair will lean heavily on the Advisory. S. Ross then invited T. Rhymes to say a few words. T. Rhymes noted that there were a lot of new faces at the meeting. He mentioned that S. Ross has been the PC Chair for several years and served as the conduit to the parents. He mentioned that specifics are explained to the PC Chair and the PC Chair can bring the info from Admin. to the Reps/Alts so that they in turn can bring info back to their GBs and parents. The PC Chair is the official spokesperson of the PC. S. Ross remarked that the position comes with a lot of responsibility but is very rewarding.

S. Ross then nominated K. Deforest for the position of Chair. K. de Forest thanked S. Ross for nominating him. He noted that time constrains would prevent him from taking on the position and indicated that he would like to run as a CRPC again. He declined the nomination.

S. Ross then nominated B. Tremellen for the position of Chair. B. Tremellen thanked S. Ross for nominating her. She noted that she would not have sufficient time to devote to this position. She declined the nomination.

D. Bentley then nominated A. Charszan for the position of Chair. A. Charzsan thanked D. Bentley for nominating her. She emphasized that she has been part of the PC for the last 9 years and has enjoyed her involvement. She indicated that she would like to run as a CRPC. She declined the nomination.

S. Ross then nominated N. Lawland for the position of Chair. N. Lawland thanked S. Ross for nominating her. She declined the nomination. It was noted that the Advisory supports the Chair in a collaborative effort. A member of the PC asked how many hours are required to hold the position of Chair.

S. Ross replied that during quiet weeks there may be no work required and on a very busy week when there is a lot going on 12 to 15 hours may be required.

A. Banton nominated C. Downer for the position of Chair. S. Ross emphasized that the Chair leans heavily on the Advisory. He indicated that he is committed to advising the new Chair. C. Downer accepted the nomination for the position of Chair.

S. Ross then called for any further nominations. There being none, C. Downer was acclaimed as the new PC Chair.

* 1. Vice-Chair

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair. D. Bentley nominated S. Ross.

S. Ross accepted the nomination. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, S. Ross was acclaimed as the Vice-Chair of the PC.

* 1. Secretary

S. Ross clarified that the Secretary that will be voted in is part of the Advisory. C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Secretary. A. Charszan nominated A. Banton for the position of Secretary. A. Banton accepted the nomination. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, A. Banton was acclaimed as the Secretary of the PC.

* 1. Treasurer

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Treasurer. S. Ross noted that the Treasurer keeps track of the budget but can help out whenever they are needed. A. Charszan nominated B. Tremellen for the position of Treasurer. B. Tremellen accepted the nomination. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, B. Tremellen was acclaimed as the Treasurer of the PC.

* 1. Communications Officer

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Communications Officer. G. Piggins nominated D. Bentley for the position of Communications Officer. D. Bentley accepted the nomination. It was emphasized that the Communications Officer is responsible for updating the PC website and all social media posts, as well as putting together the newsletter. S. Campeau noted that she will be part of the PC and is a Graphic Designer. She offered to help whenever needed. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, D. Bentley was acclaimed as the Communications Officer of the PC.

1. Election of Commissioner Representing Parents' Committee
   1. Elementary

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of CRPC for the Elementary sector. O. Dia nominated herself for this position. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. A. Banton nominated A. Charszan

for this position. S. Ross created a poll to record the votes for the two nominees. C. Downer then invited the two nominees to present themselves and provide a brief introduction. S. Ross explained that the CRPC for Elementary is a voting member of Council representing the Elementary sector. He noted that Council approves policies for the School Board and works with Administration. It was mentioned that the CRPCs are invited to sit on standing Subcommittees at the Board level and as well, a stipend is allocated to each member of Council. Reps were invited to cast their votes resulting in A. Charszan being appointed as CRPC for the Elementary sector.

* 1. High School

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of CRPC for the High School sector.

It was emphasized that the responsibilities of CRPC for the High School sector are identical to those of the Elementary sector. A. Charszan nominated K. de Forest for this position. K. de Forest accepted the nomination. P. Ottoni also nominated K. de Forest. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none,

K. de Forest was acclaimed as CRPC for the High School sector.

* 1. At-Large

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of CRPC At-Large. It was emphasized that this Rep can be from either the Elementary or High School sector and is a two year position, as are all CRPC positions. It was pointed out that if you are a CRPC, you remain on the GB, PC and Council for the full two years even if your child graduates. Meetings take place at 5:30 pm. The next Council meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2022. K. de Forest nominated O. Dia for this position. P. Ottoni nominated A. Banton for this position. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. J. Kelley, Chairperson of the LBPSB indicated that at the present time, the boardroom at the SB is being renovated. In the near future, once the renovations are complete, Council and Caucus meetings will be held there. She pointed out that Council meetings take place on the last Monday of the month with meetings beginning at 5:30 pm and ending sometimes at 10:00 pm. The LBPSB committees meet several times per year, with some holding meetings more often than others. She went on to explain that CRPCs are considered elected officials. A. Banton then declined the nomination. There being no further nomination, O. Dia was acclaimed as CRPC At-Large.

* 1. Commissioner Representing Parents' Committee

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of CRPC representing the PC on the Advisory. A. Charszan nominated K. de Forest for this position. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none,

K. de Forest was acclaimed as CRPC representing the PC on the Advisory.

1. Election of LBPSB Committee Representatives
   1. Communications (1 Rep)

It was pointed out that the Communications Officer also sits on the Communications Committee at the School Board level. Therefore there is no need to elect an additional Rep as D. Bentley will fill this role as well.

* 1. Facilities & Security (1 Rep)

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Rep on the Facilities & Security Committee. S. Ross inquired as to whether or not Alts could also be nominated to fulfill these positions as in the past, certain Council Subcommittees only allowed Reps. J. Kelley verified that Alts can in fact be part of Council Subcommittees, with the exception of Transportation Advisory (TAC) as this committee is one that is mandated by the government. G. Piggins nominated himself for this position. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, G. Piggins was acclaimed as Rep to Facilities & Security.

* 1. Intercultural Advisory (3 Reps)

C. Downer called for nominations for Intercultural Advisory. Members of the PC were reminded that three Reps from the PC sit on Intercultural Advisory. A. Banton, S. Hassaini and Z. Ibrahim all nominated themselves. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, A. Banton, S. Hassaini and Z. Ibrahim were all acclaimed to Intercultural Advisory.

* 1. Programs & Services (1 Rep)

C. Downer called for nominations for Programs & Services. S. Ross provided a brief explanation about what the Programs & Services Committee is all about. A. Charszan nominated J. Barbieri. J. Barbieri accepted the nomination. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, J. Barbieri was acclaimed as Rep to Programs & Services.

* 1. Safe and Caring Schools (1 Rep)

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Rep on Safe and Caring Schools. This is a subcommittee of Programs & Services which looks at the Safe & Caring Schools Policy. It was emphasized that this committee meets on an as needed basis. The policy will most likely be reviewed shortly. N. Lawland nominated herself for the position of Rep to Safe and Caring Schools. She then withdrew her nomination. S. Campeau nominated herself. D. Bentley nominated himself. It was clarified that there was only one Rep on Safe and Caring Schools. Reference was made to the fact that there is a confidentiality component involved in these committees and members are asked not to share information until such time as the committee report is released. C. Downer then invited the nominees to present themselves and provide a brief introduction. S. Ross created a poll to record the votes for the two nominees. Reps were invited to cast their votes resulting in S. Campeau being appointed as Rep to Safe & Caring Schools.

* 1. Transportation Advisory (1 Rep)

C. Downer called for nominations for the position of Rep on Transportation Advisory. G. Piggins who has been on TAC explained that this committee follows all of the information received regarding transportation and busing contracts. As the outgoing Rep, G. Piggins is recommending that maybe a Rep from Region 1 could put their name forth. T. Curtis nominated herself for this position. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, T. Curtis was acclaimed as Rep to TAC.

1. Election of External Representation
   1. EPCA Delegate (2-year term)

S. Ross emphasized that EPCA is the PCs lobby arm. He clarified the role and pointed out that EPCA meets once a month on a Saturday. It was noted that the PC also needs someone to serve a one year term to replace a parent who no longer holds the position. C. Downer called for nominations for the position of EPCA Delegate (two year term). S. Hassaini nominated herself. A. Charszan nominated D. Bentley for the two year term. C. Downer then invited both nominees to present themselves and provide a brief introduction. S. Hassaini noted that she was willing to step in to fill the one year role but as a point of order, the vote had to proceed. Reps were invited to cast their votes resulting in D. Bentley being appointed as EPCA Delegate for a two year term. C. Downer then called for nominations for the position of EPCA Delegate (one year term). D. Bentley nominated S. Hassaini. M. Sebag nominated S. Hassaini. C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, S. Hassaini was acclaimed as EPCA Delegate (one year term).

* 1. Pearson Educational Foundation (PEF)

C. Downer called for nominations for the Rep to Pearson Educational Foundation (PEF). G. Piggins explained that PEF holds fund raising events in order to help provide much needed items for students. He noted that he has sat on this committee for the past two years and that it is very informal. G. Piggins nominated himself.

C. Downer then called for any further nominations. There being none, G. Piggins was acclaimed as the Rep to PEF. This is a one year position.

1. 8. Call for Ad hoc Subcommittee Participation (Tabled)
   1. Internal Rules Review
   2. Consultation: Major School Change (Brief due November 15)
   3. Bill 40
   4. Consultation: Policy for the Rental of Facilities (Brief due December 1)
2. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm. The next meeting will be held on November 3, 2022

Respectfully submitted by

Barbara Schnider

Recording Secretary

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| **Attendance Report** | | |
| **Member School** | **Parent Rep Present** | **Alternate Rep Present** |
| Allion |  |  |
| Beacon Hill |  |  |
| Beaconsfield |  |  |
| Beechwood |  |  |
| Beurling Academy |  |  |
| Birchwood |  |  |
| Children’s World |  |  |
| Christmas Park |  |  |
| Clearpoint |  |  |
| Dorset |  |  |
| Dorval |  |  |
| Edgewater |  |  |
| Evergreen |  |  |
| Forest Hill Jr |  |  |
| Forest Hill Sr |  |  |
| John Rennie |  |  |
| Kingsdale |  |  |
| Lakeside Academy |  |  |
| Lasalle Community Comprehensive |  |  |
| Lasalle Jr |  |  |
| Lasalle Sr |  |  |
| Macdonald |  |  |
| Maple Grove |  |  |
| Margaret Manson |  |  |
| Mount Pleasant |  |  |
| Pierre Elliott Trudeau |  |  |
| Pierrefonds Comprehensive |  |  |
| Riverdale |  |  |
| Riverview |  |  |
| Sherbrooke Academy Jr. |  |  |
| Sherbrooke Academy Sr. |  |  |
| Soulange |  |  |
| Springdale |  |  |
| St. Anthony |  |  |
| St. Charles |  |  |
| St. Edmund |  |  |
| St. John Fisher Jr |  |  |
| St. John Fisher Sr |  |  |
| St. Patrick |  |  |
| St. Thomas |  |  |
| Sunshine Academy |  |  |
| Terry Fox |  |  |
| Verdun |  |  |
| Westpark |  |  |
| Westwood Jr |  |  |
| Westwood Sr |  |  |
| Wilder Penfield |  |  |
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