



Lester B Pearson School Board Parents' Committee

LBPSB Parents' Committee Meeting

February 2, 2017

7:15 pm, Boardroom

1925 Brookdale Ave, Dorval

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

ATTENDEES: 28 of 48 member schools were represented, the Council of Commissioners, members of the public, and administration were also represented. A detailed Attendance record is attached.

UPDATES:

- **PC Budget:** update given.
- **Ethics Policy Revision:** Board Ethics Policy is being revised; will most likely be sent out to governing boards for feedback.
- **GB Chairs Networking Evening:** Positive feedback received regarding the training and networking event during which GB Chairs discussed hot topics such as e-voting and Bill 105. Documented guidance forthcoming.

KEY TOPICS:

- **Presentation: Roles & Responsibilities of the LBPSB** given by
Mr. Michael Chechile, Director General, LBPSB
Ms. Carol Heffernan, Assistant Director General, LBPSB
Mr. Steve Balleine, Assistant Director General, LBPSB

An overview of the structure of the school board, administrative groups, committees and responsibilities, and interactions between them and the parents was given. The presenters each gave an overview of their specific roles and responsibilities. A copy of the presentation can be found [here](#).

- **Discussion: Quebec Sexuality Education Pilot Program - What do we know?**

Currently, the only LBPSB school that is piloting the program is Riverview Elementary School. Patricia, the Riverview Parent Rep, reported that the parents have received very little information. Despite being in effect since the beginning of the year, a session for parents of the school will take place only next week. Official documentation can be found on the following online resources sponsored by the Minister of Education:

- ❖ [Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur de Québec website](#)
- ❖ [Program Content Publications](#) (including grade-level Summary Table)
- ❖ [Information for Parents on the Pilot Project](#)

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Parent concerns include:

- ❖ training for teachers
- ❖ lack of information given to parents thus far
- ❖ the standardization of sexual education that is already present in the schools, delivered by health care professionals versus new subject matter being developed for younger children, even in Kindergarten
- ❖ how to get clear, detailed information to parents about the material that will be presented to the children

A presentation on the program will be given by the Board, most likely at the next PC meeting.

- A replacement parent rep to Intercultural Advisory Committee was elected.
- Non-voting parent rep to Pearson Educational Foundation was elected.
- The members of the Advisory (formerly known as the Executive) Committee were introduced and the committee itself was explained (its purpose is to discuss and make recommendations to the PC and respond to issues that require immediacy).
- Decision was made to ask our EPCA directors to request EPCA lobby the government for the following: *Children over the age of 12 who come to live in Quebec from other countries, having received the bulk of their education in English, should be permitted and eligible to continue their education in English schools.*

ACTION ITEMS:

- **Parent2Parent Newsletter:** the next newsletter will be sent to parents shortly. All content submitted by parents will be included.
- **Sharing, Sharing, Sharing:** the PC Facebook page is updated with information and events to keep parents aware of current events and issues. It is requested that parents help the process by submitting information & events to be posted.

REPORTS:(included as hyperlinks on the Parents' Committee website)

- [Elementary West Subcommittee Report](#)
- Elementary East Subcommittee Report (no report submitted)
- [High School Subcommittee Report](#)
- SNAC Report (no report submitted)
- [Ad Hoc and External Subcommittee Reports](#)

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: March 2, 2017

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Attendance		
Member School	Parent Rep Present	Alternate Rep Present
Allion		
Beacon Hill	Brett Hillgartner	
Beaconsfield	David Pelletier	
Beechwood	David Zerkler	
Beurling Academy	Sabi Hinkson	
Birchwood		
Children's World	Alvern Bunn	
Christmas Park		
Clearpoint	Allison Saunders	
Dorset		
Dorval		
Edgewater		
Evergreen		
Forest Hill Jr		
Forest Hill Sr		
John Rennie	Shane Ross	
Kingsdale		Lyne St Jacques
Lakeside Academy	Natasha Drysdale	Gary Kennedy
Lasalle Community Comprehensive	Roland Schubert	
Lasalle Jr	Suketa Patel	
Lasalle Sr		
Lindsay Place	Robert Lafave	Myret Smith
MacDonald	Mike Besner	
Maple Grove		
Margaret Manson	Renee Aspiotis	
Mount Pleasant		
Pierre Elliott Trudeau	Angela Berryman	Ovidiu Burlec
Pierrefonds Comprehensive		Marisa Petruzzo
Riverdale	Ilana Schattauer	
Riverview	Patricia Mercier	
Sherbrooke Academy Jr.		
Sherbrooke Academy Sr.	Jeremy Asch	
Soulange		
Springdale		
St. Anthony		Lisa Phillipp
St. Charles		
St. Edmund	Lyane Trépanier	
St. John Fisher Jr	Matthew King	Nadia Lawand
St. John Fisher Sr	Christina Forrest	
St. Patrick		
St. Thomas	Sharad Bhargava	Bobbi Brown
Sunshine Academy		
Terry Fox	Sophie-Lynn Paré	
Verdun		
Westpark	Alaina Gross	Caralee Salomon
Westwood Jr		
Westwood Sr	Frank Clarke	
Wilder Penfield		Onnig Kouyoumdjian
SNAC	Jennifer DiMarco	
Other distinguished attendees:		
Steve Balleine (Administration)		Chris Eustace (Public)
Suanne-Stein Day (Council of Commissioners)		Barbara Schnider (Public)
Nan Beaton (Council of Commissioners)		
28/48 Member Schools Represented		

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