



Lester B Pearson School Board Parents' Committee

LBPSB Parents' Committee
November 7, 2019
7:00 PM, LBPSB Head Office - boardroom
1925 Brookdale Ave, Dorval

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

ATTENDEES: Representatives of 31 of 48 member schools as well as SNAC, were in attendance. Thomas Rhymes, representing the administration; Noel Burke, representing the Council of Commissioners; Genevieve Dupre, Secretary General; outgoing EPCA Director, Bobbi Brown; and 2 members of the public were also in attendance. Please see attached attendance record for further details.

UPDATES:

- **Major School Change:** MSC is well underway with the brief submission deadline being Nov. 15, 2019. Hearings will take place on Nov. 26 and Nov. 27. Priority will be given to GBs who wish to present.
- **Environmental Awareness Committee:** Resolutions for polystyrene and single use plastic bottles are in development. Recycling Surveys are being prepared to send to schools. It was suggested that schools start encouraging their Home & School, PPO and Fundraising activities to discontinue the use Styrofoam and non-recyclable material.
- **Marketing Sub Committee:** This subcommittee will be putting together marketing materials that will be available in time for school open houses to try to facilitate dissemination of marketing information to daycares to start. The focus of the Marketing sub-committee is grassroots promotion and word of mouth to bring awareness of the local parent concerns with effectively marketing to all English eligible audiences and local daycares.
- **Bill 40 Subcommittee:** Bill 40 subcommittee has not met yet; discussions are ongoing on BASECAMP.
- **Basecamp:** It was emphasized that Rep/Alts should change their Basecamp titles to include their role Rep or an Alt, their name and school. Members were reminded to keep all online discussions respectful.

NEW TOPICS:

- **Bill 40:**
 - **Genevieve Dugre** provided a presentation on Bill 40 with a Q&A section afterwards (the presentation is available to all parent reps)



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on Basecamp). She outlined the main changes to the PC, GBs, School Board Committees, how school centers would be run and a timeline on the series of events to occur if the bill is passed in its current state. The main concerns expressed by PC Reps/Alts were - No mention of representation for the parents of students with special needs. It is unclear what will happen if GB positions and Service Center Board of Director positions are not filled. Electoral maps will have to be redrawn to accommodate the new structure.

- **Noel Burke** (head of council) spoke on behalf of council about his work with QESBA on their brief and comments following his presentation of the brief at the National Assembly last week. His main points were - The LBPSB Council of Commissioners is aligned with QESBA with respect to Bill 40. Social Representation is the primary position. Under the proposed model the school board/service center DG will be the official spokesperson and will be the contact directly to the Minister of Education. The Minister will decide exactly what the GBs will report on and how. Right as a Community (English speaking) to control and manage our Educational Institutions.
 - **EPCA (commentary provided by Bobbi Brown):** Our EPCA parent reps (outgoing & new), along with the PC chair attended EPCA's meeting on November 2nd and helped revise the EPCA brief prior to the commission presentations at the National Assembly on November 3rd and 4th emphasizing the following points about Bill 40 - The erosion of parental power therefore giving the Ministry more power. The absence of a parent representing special needs in the draft of Bill 40. No mention of student success\concern about the possibility of not filling all parent positions and the resulting consequences
 - The main consensus seems to be that Bill 40 should be cancelled and started over with a model that has clear rate of success or that the bill should exempt the English school system entirely.
- **Election of Parent Representative - Green Committee:** Council formally approved the participation of parent reps & alts on all LBPSB committees. A parent rep. or alt was invited to join the Green Committee at this time. L. Dalterio was nominated and acclaimed.



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VARIA:

- The meeting continues to open with the acknowledgement of this being Mohawk land.
- Date for Joint Subcommittee Meeting had been tentatively set for November 21. Advisory is waiting for facilities confirmation and will advise PC of final date when board confirms facility availability.
- PEF Events: November 10, 2019- Montreal Alouettes Playoff Game & November 12, 2019- Montreal Canadiens vs Columbus Blue Jackets

DATE OF NEXT PC MEETING: December 12, 2019



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Attendance Report		
Member School	Parent Rep Present	Alternate Rep Present
Allion	Shiana Warren	
Beacon Hill	Jeremy Asch	
*Beaconsfield	Ovidiu Burlec	
*Beechwood		
Beurling Academy	Jay Taube	
*Birchwood	Diandra Yoselewsk	
*Children's World	Susan Mintzberg	
*Christmas Park	Cassandra Bazos	
*Clearpoint	Marc Lucke	
*Dorset	Betty Cindric	
Dorval		
*Edgewater		
*Evergreen		
*Forest Hill Jr		
Forest Hill Sr		
John Rennie		Mike Wilson
Kingsdale		
Lakeside Academy	Helene Charbonneau	
*Lasalle Community Comprehensive	Sonya Fiocco	
Lasalle Jr		
*LasalleSr	Christopher Eaton	
Lindsay Place	Melanie D'Lima	
MacDonald	Todd Nelson	Kristoffer de Forest
*Maple Grove	Ashley McLellan	
Margaret Manson	Nadia Iacino	Mark Michel
*Mount Pleasant		
Pierre Elliott Trudeau		Mike Klaiman
Pierrefonds Comprehensive		Marcus Hamaker
Riverview	Ariana Winn	Linda Dalterio
Sherbrooke Academy Jr.		
*Sherbrooke Academy Sr.	Scott Henderson	
*Springdale		
St. Anthony		
St. Charles	Jason Doan	
*St. Edmund	Shauna Spear	
St. John Fisher Jr	Naomi Proctor	
St. John Fisher Sr	Sarah Campeau	
St. Patrick	Doug Bentley	Michael Barron
St. Thomas	Sharad Bhargava	Phil Caetano
*Sunshine Academy		
Terry Fox	Brenda Tremellen	
Verdun		
Westpark	Alaina Gross	Michelle Sternszus
Westwood Jr		
Westwood Sr	Dan Rassi	
Wilder Penfield	Len Podgurny	
SNAC	Lisa Mancini	Susana Lazaro
CRPC Designated by SNAC		N/A

Other distinguished attendees:

Thomas Rhymes (Administration)
 Noel Burke (Chair, Council of Commissioners)
 Genieve Dupre (Secretary General)
 Bobbi Brown (Outgoing EPCA Director)

Chris Eustace (public)
 Dayo Odubayo (public)

31/48 Member Schools + SNAC Represented

*Representative or Alternate unconfirmed